

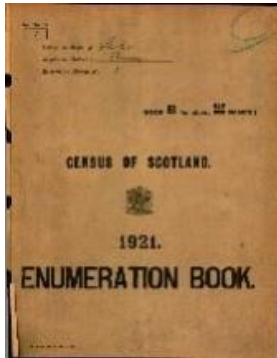
# Gullane and Dirleton History Society

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Dear Member,

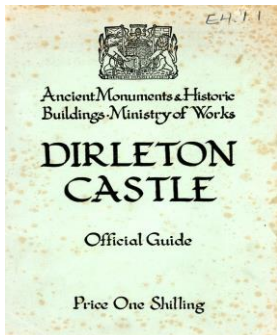
## The final lecture.



Genealogists love delving in the statistics of the national censuses seeking out knowledge of the ages, occupations and whereabouts of relatives and famous individuals.

The availability of the 1921 census results is the subject that Tessa Spencer will be talking about at the last lecture of the winter programme. This will be in Dirleton Kirk Hall on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2024** at 7.30 pm.

## The value of the archive.



The value of the Society's archive becomes increasingly apparent as enquiries are fielded for information at home and abroad. Members will be aware that the process of electronically storing the information held is ongoing. It is planned that a demonstration of the electronic files in which the information is being stored will be made at the AGM. Samples of some of the material held will also be on display.

## A time to come and a time to go.

After 11 years as Chairman of your Society I intend stepping down at the AGM next month.

I have greatly enjoyed the task of promoting the aims of the Society in furthering the knowledge of local history by means of lectures, exhibitions, publications and research but there comes those moments in life when it is time to move on. I will continue to offer to the Society any expertise and knowledge I have but it is time for fresh, and younger blood to take up the reins.

The Committee of the Society is seeking nominations not only to fill the role of Chair but also to join the committee. No voluntary organisation can survive without the enthusiasm and drive of a few stalwarts prepared to give a little of their time.

Please talk to members of the committee to seek more information. They are:

Carol Tweedie, Tom Drysdale, Bill Nimmo and Neil Jones in Dirleton and Anne McCarthy, Margaret McSorley, George Simpson, Eric Thomson and Jonathan Kinna in Gullane.

Michael (Thomson)