**23rd Annual General Meeting**

**14th May 2024 at 2.15pm at the Village Hall, Haddenham**

**AGENDA**

1. Chairman’s welcome
2. Apologies for absence
3. To receive and approve the minutes of the AGM on 13th June 2023
4. To receive the Chairman’s report
5. To receive the Treasurer’s report
6. To elect the Committee of Trustees
7. Any other business

The AGM will be followed by a presentation by Dr Martin Holmes on “Harold Wilson: Interesting Times”.

Dr Martin Holmes is a Member of the Senior Common Room at St Hugh’s College Oxford where he was Lecturer in Politics for over 20 years. An expert on British and European political history he is the author of many books. He is a strong supporter of lifelong learning and his topic today is “Harold Wilson: Interesting Times”.

Harold Wilson was a four-time election winner for Labour who held power between 1964 and 1979. But his popularity with the public was not always matched with popularity within his own party where many on the left regarded him as betraying socialism. Regarded as a pragmatist Wilson managed to keep Britain out of the Vietnam war – despite pressure from the Americans to join – and to hold a referendum in 1975 on EEC membership culminating in a resounding vote to remain within the bloc.

Wilson was also associated with social liberalisation policies – the ‘permissive society’ – but how far Wilson actually supported such policies is open to doubt. His resignation in 1976 remains to this day one of the greatest surprises in British post war politics.