Dear Members,

I hope you all had a good Christmas. New Year looks to be cold.

I think 2016 has been a good year, but opinions seem to differ on that. The good thing is that both the University and our Society are in good health. This year has taken the normal format of four meetings, one of which was combined with the Oxford Suffolk Society.

The first was on 16th March with a visit to the new Cambridge Sports Centre in the morning followed by lunch at Browns and then the Fitzwilliam Museum. On the 5th May we had lunch in Felixstowe followed by a visit to Landguard Fort. Our summer garden party was on 11th June at the home of Christine and John Drewienkiewicz in Rougham. The last meeting on 22nd September was lunch at Ufford Park and then a visit to Sutton Hoo. For this event we invited the Oxford Suffolk Society to join us and it proved to be a very successful day.

In 2017 we have four meetings arranged;

- **Thursday 16th March** a visit to Green King Brewery and then The Theatre Royal, Bury St Edmunds.

- **Thursday 18th May** we have a tour of Ely Cathedral followed by lunch in the Almonry. The Dean of Ely Cathedral, Mark Bonney, is a Cambridge Alumnus.

- **Saturday 10th June** Caroline and I are hosting the summer garden party at Worlington. Sir Jonathan Miller our neighbour in London has agreed to talk. Many will remember him from Footlights days and recently the theatre.

- The last meeting for the year will be on **Wednesday 27th September** to Queens’ College Cambridge, with a talk by Professor Richard Rex on the Dissolution of the Monasteries.

It is the turn of the Oxford Suffolk Society to organise a combined meeting in 2017 and we await their call.

Thank you all for supporting the Society during the year.

Wishing you all a very happy New Year,

Michael Sullivan