An Invitation by Irene Sargeant, September 2018

HANDSWORTH (E) GUILD

Do you have Wednesday evenings to spare,
Or must you stay in and wash your hair?
Then, come with me, I'll take you - where?
Why, to Handsworth Townswomen's Guild.

You would register with Phyl, settle down and unwind
Our speakers are varied and you would find
That their topics would help broaden the mind
At Handsworth Townswomen's Guild.

Pat's Coffee Mornings are very good,

At our self-catered parties there's lovely food.

These always put us 'in the mood'

At Handsworth Townswomen's Guild.

We love our quizzes and Scrabble,
In Board Games we sometimes dabble,
On those nights, Oh, what a rabble
At Handsworth Townswomen's Guild.

You'd enjoy playing Cranium at Joan's
But we're not allowed to use our phones
To ask for help with the unknowns Not at <u>Handsworth</u> Townswomen's Guild.

Library Theatre visits are very few
They would certainly welcome you!
Sandy would gladly book you a pew
At Handsworth Townswomen's Guild.

Doreen's and Maureen's monthly Sales Table,
The Auction and Janet's Raffle all enable
Sue's Cash Balance to keep quite stable
For Handsworth Townswomen's Guild.

The small Committee could do with a hand Perhaps you could help that hardy band!

Your skills would be in great demand

At Handsworth Townswomen's Guild.

There are two Margarets, two Bettys a Joyce and a Sally

A Stef and an Irene - we're all very pally,

So please, please, don't dilly-dally
Meet us at Handsworth Townswomen's Guild.

If your world was "going mad"

And left you feeling rather sad,

Our friendliness would make you glad

You joined Handsworth Townswomen's Guild.

The Guild Magazine which Headquarters send
Would interest you from beginning to end.
Then you could pass it on to a friend
Until she joined Handsworth Townswomen's Guild.

I know you'd enjoy a refreshing Cuppa –
I'm sure it wouldn't spoil your supper=
Maybe you could be a Washer – Upper
For Handsworth Townswomen's Guild.

And if you stayed until you were old,

Your Long Service Badge - touched with silver or gold,

Would precious memories of Friendships unfold

Which you made at Handsworth Townswomen's Guild.

The Foundation was laid!

A decision you've made!

Your Subscription you've paid!

Welcome to Handsworth Townswomen's Guild!