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Sutton Poyntz Society



Affiliated to the Council for the Protection of Rural England (Dorset Branch)

MEETING with LOCAL COUNCILLORS and WPBC OFFICERS to be held at 7.30 pm on THURSDAY 30th OCTOBER 1997 in the SUTTON ROOM

Format for the meeting:

The Chairman of the Society, Mike Pressly, will welcome the visitors and invite them to respond to the questions which are set out below. These questions were sent to the Council some weeks ago to enable councillors and officers to prepare proper responses to them. At each stage there will be time allocated for supplementary questions and discussion, and Sutton Poyntz residents will be given the opportunity to raise issues not covered by these questions. The Chairman is anxious that anyone wishing to contribute to the discussion should be allowed to do so.

List of questions already submitted:

- 1 What can be done by local people to help strengthen the WPBC Planning Department's attempts to fight the case against over-development of the area?
- 2 Is there a housing density policy for Sutton Poyntz?
- 3 Does the Planning Department envisage any large-scale developments in Sutton Poyntz or will all future developments be single in-fill?
- 4 Will members and officers confirm that it is a fundamental aspect of WPBC planning processes to help the village to maintain its character and identity?
- 5 Is there a theoretical measure of what would constitute an acceptable level of traffic density on existing road capacity?
- 6 Does the Planning Department take into consideration the impact on traffic density when deciding on planning applications for extra dwellings and, if so, what weight does it give to this consideration?
- 7 Traffic calming is a very important issue to the people of Sutton Poyntz. The dangerous level and speed of traffic on Plaisters Lane and Sutton Road are of great concern to residents. What measures are being considered to improve the situation?

SPECIAL MEETING - 7.30pm on SATURDAY 8th NOVEMBER in the SUTTON ROOM

Many residents are probably aware that North Down Farm has been purchased by Mr Philip Seale who is also owner of the farm previously belonging to the Diment family. Although it is Mr Seale's intention to come to live in Sutton Poyntz, he currently lives in Berkshire and can only visit here at the weekends. However, he has kindly agreed to talk to us about his plans for the two farms on 8th November.