

Minutes of a Committee Meeting held at the home of Mr & Mrs Shires on Friday 6th December, Mr Sampier in the Chair. Those present Mr & Mrs Shires, Mr & Mrs Litchi, Mr Saunders and Mr Henshaw. Apologies were received from Mrs Macdonald and Messrs Brown, Branton, Taylor, Read, and Jullford.

Matters Arising

The Secretary was directed to write the Borough Engineer to the effect ^{that since} no written assurance of the removal of island should residents request it, had been received, it would be taken that no reply would be a confirmation of the oral assurance given on Tuesday May 8th 1968.

Tumble Sale

Mr Sampier asked that a vote of thanks to all helpers be recorded in the minutes.

Bonnie This had proved a great success.

Lowic Society The Secretary reported that we had now affiliated. It was moved that when the date was set for Mr Ricketts' talk, the Lowic Society be invited.

Duck Coop

Mrs Shires had not contacted Mr Townsend re. her Diment's Coop as Mr Shires hoped to knock one up from crates at Wulfeth. He was waiting for suitable wood. Mr Saunders engaged to provide transport when required.

Christmas Party Mr Shires had discussed it with Mr Birchborough who pronounced himself willing to M.C. it and it would take place on Friday Jan 10th at the Springhead provided the Committee agreed to this date. The Committee ratified this and Mr Shires would make final arrangements with Mr Birchborough. It was agreed that the party be made known by ^{poster} advertisement and word of mouth. Mr Shires regretted that owing to cost of materials, posters would cost 1/- each in future.

Planning Development

It was once again fervently expressed that the Sutter Layntz Hillside be kept intact, and that when development is reviewed it is necessary to keep a strong watch on it. Mrs Shires promised to investigate as to what plans were available to inspection, and would visit Weymouth Municipal Offices and report back at the next meeting. It was felt that it must be discovered what the term Conservation Area covered and it was felt advisable that it be suggested to Mr Ricketts that he mention this in his forthcoming talk & explain to the meeting how vital it is that the atmosphere of the village with its hillsides be protected from development.

Aerial Photograph

Mr Shires thought that if one could be procured

it would be of great value to the Society.
It was agreed that photographs of the village be exhibited at Mr Rickett's talk.

Footpaths

Mr Shenshaw reported that he & his family had walked some of the footpaths but that they were far from clear.

Feeding of Ducks

Mr Litschi suggested that since Mr & Mrs Branton feed the ducks without financial assistance from the Society, we should show our gratitude by presenting Mrs Branton with an Xmas gift. This was unanimously agreed upon and Mr Litschi promised to have a word with Mr Branton as to what would be an acceptable gift.

Cleaning of White Horse

The Osington Society had suggested ^{informally that} we help them with the cleaning. It was felt that this might prove a somewhat formidable task and no definite decision was made in view of the small number of committee members present.

A vote of thanks to Mr & Mrs Shires for their hospitality was recorded & there being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed.

L. Sampson
24/1/69.