

Minutes of a Committee Meeting held at 3, Silver St.  
on Wed 9th July, Mr Samphier in the chair.  
Apologies were received from Mr Hunt & Mr Brown.  
The Minutes of the previous ~~week~~ meeting were read  
and adopted.

### Matters Arising

Mr Samphier apologised that the meeting was a few  
weeks later than arranged but he had been on  
holiday.

### Ministry Inquiry — Caravan in Puddledock Lane

Mr Samphier was expecting a report on the  
inquiry. He had been greatly impressed by  
the way it had been conducted — one could  
rest assured that these inquiries were  
carried out with complete fairness to all  
parties. Mr Mullins thanked the Soc. on behalf of the  
Island Sunnyfields members for their efforts.

There had been no news from Mr Phillips  
about plants although he was thought to  
have ordered them immediately following  
the May meeting.

Ducks Mr Saunders suggested that proper food  
for ducks be bought by the Society. With  
reference to ducks the Sec. read out a  
letter from Mr & Mrs Branton withdrawing  
their services as duck feeders from the  
end of July. He ~~hubschi~~ prop. Sec. Mr Mullins  
that a present be made to Mrs Branton for  
the good work she had put in on the ducks behalf.  
A letter of thanks should be sent & regret  
also that Mr Branton wished to resign from the  
Committee.

Mr Saunders said that he would take over  
the task of feeding the ducks providing  
suitable duck food was forthcoming. The

Committee agreed that about £6. per year be voted to Mr Saunders for this purpose.

### Social

Mr Shires reported confusions or complications in the hiring of the South Hall. By the time these had been sorted out, it was too late to hold the social in July. Fortunately it would be simpler to book it - a Mr Gough being responsible for bookings & no licence would be needed for the occasional evening of music & dancing. Mrs Morris kindly consented to be responsible for the details of the social & would book the 3rd or 4th Sat. in Sept.

### Cart Shed

New tenants - Printers - taking over in October. Sec. asked to write Mr Taylor asking that there be no increase in working hours & that machinery be insulated against noise & vibration.

### Overhead Wires

Mr Shires had received an interesting pamphlet which he would pass round - but the costs were fantastic.

### Speed in Plasters Lane

Mr Hilschi had seen Mr Billington who told him that tests had been made in the lane for three days. On average only 18% of the motorists had exceeded the limit. The average would need to be much higher before further action could be taken. The Sec. was requested to write the Boro' Engineer requesting that double yellow lines be continued round the corner of Suttan Rd junction with Preston Rd beyond Box Tree

Collage. Parking on this corner caused a severe hazard.

### Conservation Areas

Mr Langhorne & Mrs Hebschi were to attend a talk on this subject in Dorchester the following day. They would report back.

Mr Hebschi had made enquiries and the hillsides surrounding Sutton Payntz were protected through the Coastal Preservation Scheme, and only agricultural development was permitted. Mr Shires had contacted Mrs Thomas, Mrs Heish and Mr Wallis with regard to the village itself. He suggested that the Soc. produce a brochure on the village with suggestions as to which areas be conserved & inserted on a map. He would ask Mr Henshaw to help with this. This project could be discussed at the next meeting.

### Walk through the Village - Civic Soc.

This had regrettably been poorly attended. Letters of thanks to be sent to Mr Lamb & Mr Keegan for their kind cooperation in throwing open the Mill & Waterworks to the visitors.

### Old Chapel

Mr Hebschi reported that Miss Guppy had let this out to Mrs Pulman for her horses' use.

### Any Other Business

It was again stressed that the Soc. could not settle disputes between members - (Kemp/Townsend boundaries). Mrs Shires reported that she had received no answer from the Echo regarding publication of planning applications.

Mr Mullins reported rumours of a piggery in the Sunnyfields vicinity. Mr Henshaw had offered his help in advising members on materials & plans with regard to erection of buildings, garages, extensions etc. His advice need not necessarily be followed but it was free for the asking.

Mr Shires thought that later on in the year a tour of the Atomic Est. at Wuforth might be organized.

Countryside Act - Mr Sampier had a copy of action so far & would circulate it among the committee. letter from Mr Brown - Mr Sampier read out a letter from Mr Brown the purport of which was that Mr & Mrs Litschi should be made to remove the parapet on their extension, and that if this was not done the Society should disband. This letter produced indignation among the Committee.

Mrs Morris felt that such a letter should not have been read out.

Mr Mullins deplored that the matter should have been brought up, the Planning Committee had passed the plans and had no criticism & he was satisfied that this was sufficient.

Mr Litschi pointed out that the plans had been passed in Jan 1967, & that the building was carried out under the close surveillance of the Building Inspector. Mrs Morris, Mr Mullins & Mr Shires said that there was no

necessity for Mr Litchin to give any explanation. The Society had not been formed to interfere with what people do with their property, nor had it any intention of doing so. Mr Shires insisted that this point should be made emphatically clear to members & nonmembers alike; all the Society could do was advise and suggest. The only legal organisation was the Planning Committee; if people disapproved of plans passed by that body they should state their objections to them, not to the Sutton Payntz Society. Mrs Shires said that for people to use the Soc. to carry out their own personal feuds, and to interfere in peoples private business, smacked of Nazism.

Mr Dempster said that he would answer Mr Browns letter himself telling him of the feeling of the meeting. Apologies were made to Mr & Mrs Litchin for any embarrassment this discussion had caused them.

There being no further business a vote of thanks was made to Mr & Mrs Shires for their hospitality & the meeting was declared to be at an end.