

Minutes of a Meeting held at Springbank on
Tuesday 19th March 1979.

Apologies Richard Backwell, Shirley Bowden and Peter
Diment. In tendering his apologies Mr Diment
regretted that he had been unable to attend many
meetings, but he had been heavily committed in another
organisation.

Minutes of the previous meeting read and approved.

Barrel Funds - Mr John Joy reported that there were
no organisations locally for collecting for Kidney machines
but suggested a donation to the Hospital League of Friends.
It was agreed that this course be pursued.

Subscription Cards

It was agreed that these be used as receipts since
there were plenty in stock and that subs. be collected
at meetings, rather than door to door.

Gas

Another survey regarding laying on of gas mains
had been carried out.

Plans - overhead electricity lines

There was to be an overhead extension on top of the
hill above the reservoir to the Waterworks.

Mr Saunders had suggested that the cables be trenched but the S.E.B. wouldn't agree. Members expressed disgust that yet another overhead line was to be taken over a conservation area. It was agreed that a letter be sent to the S.E.B. with our objections and a copy sent to the Planning Office. Letters would also be sent to the C.P.R.S. and the Civic Society. Mrs Hutchi promised to ensure that the Planning Committee were made aware of the strong feeling against the plan.

Civic Society Coffee Morning

Affiliated societies had been invited to take part and set up stalls. Since the invitation had only arrived three weeks before the date of the event, the Committee felt that insufficient time had been given to members to organize stalls. It was agreed that a letter be sent with regrets but asking that in future more notice be given.

Trees

In answer to the news letter Mrs Kemp had offered a site, and it was agreed that an ornamental maple be put there. Mrs Hutchi suggested a tree at entrance to Old Buncombe house + it was agreed that if the site owner was willing, a *Betula Pendulata* be planted there. Mr Saunders explained that where the

WaterBoard had cut down hedges during their pipe laying there was room for tree planting and asked for suggestions. Chestnut, Hornbeam and Ash were considered suitable and Mr Saunders was thanked for his co-operation.

Skittles

The Society had lost by one pin. Refreshments for 35 had been paid for resulting in a loss of £8.50. Some members expressed their disenchantment over various aspects of the evening and it was felt that such a loss should not have been incurred. Wall outside Springhead - one member raised this matter of disrepair. Apparently Mrs Barbara Harrison had brought the item to a member and it was decided to obtain further information from her before proceeding.

Mission Hall lease - erection of house.

Mrs Litschi would discover where the liability for reinstatement of the lane lay.

A. L. M.

This was set for April 3rd.

Mr Mike Smith would do the posters.

Mrs Loveland would do the coffee.

Members

Mr John Jay announced his resignation of treasurer. Dr Crisp, Mr Blackwell, Mrs Bowden and Mr Diment and Mr Smith wished to withdraw from the

Committee. Mrs. Hoveland proposed that Mrs. Robinson of Preston Rd. be a member and it was agreed that her name be put forward. The Chairman was given several names of potential members and agreed to contact them.

In closing the meeting the Chairman thanked all retiring members and Mr. Joy for his work as treasurer. A vote of thanks was proposed to Mr. & Mrs. Allen for their hospitality and this concluded the business of the meeting.

A. Little
22-5-79.