

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at the Mission Hall on Tuesday 3rd April 1979. Apologies from Mr Backwell and Mr Ingham.

Chairman's Report

The Chairman reminded members that two news letters had been circulated during the year and he would not ^{need to} give a full account of the year's activities. He ~~had~~ made particular mention of the co-operation of the W.P.B.C. Planning Dept in informing the Society of any applications affecting the village. A strong protest had been made to the S.S.B. regarding overhead power lines as a result.

Tree planting had been carried out on land belonging to Mr Kemp and Mr Bathurst but there were still funds available and he hoped that offers of further sites would be forthcoming. The Society were grateful to the efforts of Mr Diment & Mr Sanders in the replanting of trees. He called attention to the fact that the noticeboard had been moved to the front of the cartshed where it would be more likely to attract attention. He thanked Mrs Fregardo for her services as Membership Secretary. He trusted that the retiring Committee had served the purposes of the founders of the Society of 11 years ago, and thanked retiring members for their services.

Election of New Committee

The following names were agreed to serve on the Committee '79-'80: — Mr Sanders, Mr & Mrs Jitschi, Mrs Fregardo, Mrs Loveland, Mr Ingham, Mrs Robinson, Mr Franklin. There was room for four more and once no nominations were made Mrs Jitschi suggested that it be left to the Committee to co-opt four more members. It came as a surprise that the Chairman announced his intention of resigning from the Committee, and in answer to Mr Bowden's question as to the election of a Chairman, it was

decided that this somewhat unforeseen occurrence which had resulted in no previous thought being given to the post, the Committee would have to elect one at their first meeting. A Secretary was also needed.

Mr Mike Smith proposed a vote of thanks to Mr Allen for his services as Chairman and Secretary combined and this was enthusiastically supported. The main business of the meeting now concluded, refreshments were served, and the rest of the evening passed happily when members of the Dorchester Camera Club showed slides of Dorset accompanied by music.

Allen.