

Minutes of a Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 3rd July, ¹⁹⁷⁹ at 4, Sutton Court house. Mrs. J. Hirschi in the Chair.

Apologies from Mr. F. Hirschi and Mrs G. Loveland. The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

Matters arising.

① Coach Trip. Thanks were given to Mr. Wanklin who carried out a survey of the local bus companies with view to a trip to Stowhead, Broadlands or Brownsea Island for August or September.

The cost for the coach and entrance fees would be about £2.50 per head, allowing for a full coach. It was not considered correct that the Society fund should be used to subsidise such an outing.

The Committee decided that as a full coach could not be guaranteed, such an outing should be left for this summer and the facts put before a larger number of members for discussion at a full Society meeting.

② Card of Sutton.

Mr. Sheild replied to the Secretary's enquiry about postcards of Sutton Park.

The minimum number of cards purchased must be 1000 @ £65 is 6½ pence per card, if for the sole use of the Society. For any reprints, the full 1000 must be purchased.

2) however, the Society agreed to the artist marketing them as well through his other agents, a minimum of 500 of the initial printing may be obtained (£32.50) and further orders may be obtained in multiples of 100.

The Committee Members decided that there might not be much demand for post cards in the village but a folded card either a) stiff card suitable for birthday or Christmas use or b) thin double card for use as a notelet may be more appropriate. The Secretary would contact the artist for further details.

③ Electricity Board. Mrs. Hirschi contacted the Electricity Board and it was suggested that 3 or 4 members of the Committee should go to Stawardale Rd to discuss the problem. This would be more suitable to the Electricity Board than sending someone out in the evening. The Committee decided that Messrs. Ingham, Mr. Eadern and Wanklin should go. Mr. Ingham would make the appointment.

It was noted by Messrs. Ingham and Mr. Eadern that there was a conglomeration of electricity wires around the centre of the village and this also would be discussed to see if they could be put underground.

Treasurer's Report.

Current account to 31st March 1979 was £22.41.

A cheque for £16.60 hadn't been paid

Cash in hand £5.81.

There are 2 deposit accounts with the Building Society.

- a) 778-5 Legal Fund
- b) 777-7 General Use Fund.

⑤ Visit to Warkworth on Wednesday July 11th at 7.30pm.
Mrs Hirstle notified the Civic Society of the event and invited any members to attend.

⑥ Planning Appeal

a) Mrs Hirstle received a letter from the Warkworth Civic Society regarding an appeal for the construction of a dwelling in Barton behind Mill Springs.

Mr Ingham thought that as it was not actually in Sutton Bards that we should not pass comment. However, as the conservation area of Sutton Bards would hopefully be extended to include Barton old village, and as a building in that position might be just of many more along Riddaleck Lane, it was considered by the majority that the Society should reply with an objection.

b) 66, Sutton Rd Application has been made for the erection of one of two houses on this site. The Committee had no comment at this stage as there was insufficient detail available.
Any other business

1) The band has been booked for the dance on the 17th August

2) It was decided that subscriptions must be collected and Mrs Freepate would make up and distribute the necessary lists and receipt cards to the Committee members.

3) A newsletter should be made up for the autumn to cover the winter programme.

4) Ideas for future events are required. Mr. Ingham would enquire about a talk and film by the coastguards. A suitable date would be October 16th.

Mrs. Hatcher suggested a chess and wine party. Mr. Worth would make enquiries at the Springhead to see if they would be able to accommodate such an evening.

5) Mr. Ingham noted that the tree planted in Old Brompton Lane was dead and he would see Mr. J. Allen about it.

6) Details of the Air Competition organised by the Western Gazette would be put in the village notice box.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 16th September at 7.30 at
Northdown Farm.

After a vote of thanks to Mrs. Freese for her hospitality, the meeting was closed.

Raymond Hatcher