

MINUTES

of meeting, specially convened, of the Committee on Monday
13 February 1984 at 7.30 pm. at Bellamy Cottage. Mr W.H.
Mercer in the chair. Apologies - Mr Campbell + Mrs Sullivan.

1. Minutes of meeting on 16 January 1984 approved.

2. Matters arising

- (a) Footpath notices - had now been attended to.
- (b) A.G.M. - fixed for 17 April. Newsletter in course of preparation.

- 3 Planning - (i) Disputed Land. Mrs Pressley reported on her brother-in-law's examination of the barn and the steps he advised be taken. The Chairman had circulated a draft letter to the Department of the Environment seeking the listing of the barn, and Mrs M. Knight had taken a number of photographs of the outside and inside of the building. With a few amendments the letter was approved; copies will be sent to the Chief Planning Officer of the W.P.B.C., the Weymouth Civic Society, + Viscount Brounne, M.P. Considerable discussion ensued as to the likely future position. The general feeling was that as the barn had lasted for some 170-180 years, it could well survive for many more years and at least the Society should not acquiesce in its demolition. Those acquiring the land should be in no doubt as to the strength of feeling.
- (ii) Proposed residential development at the Riding Stables. The Planning Sub-Committee had objected to this proposal, as being contrary to the character of the village at a crucial point and to the

"white land" policy. Mrs Litchie reported that the W.P.C. Planning Committee had rejected the application; she reminded the meeting of the circumstances in which Miss Pitman's bungalow was permitted to be erected as a special departure from normal planning practice.

4 Double yellow lines. W.P.C. had proposals to lay down these lines in the Mission Hall Lane bus terminus area. It was decided to inform the Council that we consider the lines unnecessary in view of the additional parking facilities now available at the Springhead; at least the proposal should be deferred considerably so that traffic problems, if any, may be assessed. The extension of double yellow lines opposite the Ship, Preston Road, was welcomed.

5 Conservation Policy. There was a suggestion that this matter be revived. Mrs Stives undertook to make enquiries as to the likelihood of assistance through M.S.C. in the detailed preparation of a plan.

6 Village Sign. Dorset C.C. had at last approved this sign (at the Sutton Rd/Winslow Rd junction). Mr P. Bentley would be consulted over design, etc. (Mr. V. Hunt had said he regretted he was too busy to assist).

7 Weymouth Civic Society. A number of members spoke of possible overlap in our representation on W.C.S.; Mr. Bob Deuter had been appointed some time ago but had ceased to be a member of our Committee. The matter will be considered after the A.G.M.

8 The next meeting will go ahead on 12 March.

9 Thanks to Mr & Mrs Mercer for hospitality.

W.H. Mercer
Chairman.