
MINUTES of ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held on TUESDAY 17 APRIL 1984 at 7.30 pm. in the Mission Hall.

Mr W.H. Mercer in the chair. 33 members present.

1. Minutes of AGM on 26 April 1983 read, approved and signed. (No matters arising)

2. Chairman's report. Mr Mercer thanked the members for attending; he was sorry more did not feel moved to be present. He referred to the recent Newsletter, which gave fairly full descriptions of various plans for development of the ancient land at Siltan Town and

the Society's reactions. Recently plans to convert the farmhouse into two dwellings and provide 3 more houses in the adjacent grounds had been submitted to the Borough Council; the Society felt that much more information was essential. As regards the barn (also referred to in the Newsletter), it was understood that the Planning Committee of the Council had decided that it must not be demolished. The Committee had also not approved plans for the other four houses on the eastern part of the site. The Society would keep all this actively before them.

Mr Mercer also mentioned Miss Pitman's proposal to convert the stables into residential units; the Society did not favour any such scheme.

We were arranging an ^{display} exhibition stand for inclusion in Weymouth Civic Society's exhibition at the Hall to celebrate the 40th anniversary of W.C.S.

3. Election of Committee. Nominations, approved and seconded, were received in respect of Messrs ^{Brown} Brownridge, Litchin, Mullins, Presley, Shires and Wilkinson; and Messrs Campbell, Doyle, Knight, Mercer, Saunders and C.P. Stephen.

On the motion of Mr Loughan, duly recorded, it was agreed that these be the Committee for 1984/8 and that the present Committee be thanked for their services.

4. Treasurer's Report. Mrs. Maden Wilkinson presented the accounts for the year ending 31.12.83, which Mr. A. Cole had audited. Receipts during the year were £198.21 and expenditure £175.17, including £57.50 for the new weatherware on the Hill and £18.72 for curtain rails etc for the Mission Hall. (The Women's Institute had provided the curtains). Cash in hand was £5.71, in the bank £39.19; and the balance in the P.O. Investment Account £435.71. On the motion of Gwendolyn Feuton, duly seconded, the accounts were approved.

5. Annual Subscription. There was agreement on a proposal that the rate of subscription to the Society for the ensuing year remain unchanged.

6. Thanks. The Chairman expressed thanks to the Committee and Officers, to Mr. Knowlins who had printed our 1983 Christmas card for only £10 (i.e. the cost of the paper), and to all who had helped the Society to continue its activities - with some successes but a few disappointments in the planning field.

The meeting closed at 8.10 pm. After refreshments, Mr. D. Brierley, Principal-designate of Weymouth Secondary College and now a resident of the village, spoke about the aims

and structure of the college. The concept was to bring together all teaching skills and resources for students of 16+; the Bradford Avenue buildings would form the nucleus, but improvements would be necessary. The college (expected to be called Weymouth College) should be fully operational - with about 120 teaching staff and around 100 part-time tutors, 1000 full-time students of 16-19 years and up to 2,000 at evening classes or on day release - by Sept 1985.

Mr Brierley answered a number of questions, and was thanked by the Chairman for a most entertaining, interesting and informative address.

W.A. Murren

Chairman. 16.4.85