

MINUTES of the 1988

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING on Tuesday 22 March 1988 at 7.30 p.m.
in the Springhead Pavilion.

Mrs J. Kitchin in the chair, and about 70 members present.

Apologies from Mr Kitchin, Mrs Coulson, Mrs Wright, Mrs Jambling
and Mr Mrs Colyds.

1. Minutes of the meeting of the AGM on 31 March 1987 were
read, approved and signed.

2. Chairman's Report. Mrs Kitchin referred to the sad death
of a Committee member, Mrs J. Smith; and to various gifts to the
Society - including seats by the Borough Council, ducks by Mrs
Saunders and Mrs McEarcher, bulbs round the pond by Mrs Stephen
and an environmental improvement scheme by the Council. A seat
had also been provided as a token of gratitude for the Saunders'
long association with the Society. Mr Wanklin had given water lilies
for the pond, and when the bulbs were planted in the autumn Mrs
Watts provided tea and pastries.

We had maintained our association with the Weymouth
Civic Society and the CPRE, Mr Birch being our representative on W.C.S.
This is the 20th year of the Society's existence and Elizabeth Wiggins
will be producing a full-page article for the Echo. Forty members
of the Red House Museum, Bournemouth, will visit the village in
June, when Mr Kitchin will talk to them about the area's history.

On planning, Mrs Kitchin said that few applications had
needed consideration during the year. Concern is, however, felt
about the proposals of a development company for development on
the Stables site and in the green wedge at Sultan Hill/Muddalock
area. The proposed change of designation of the Stables site,
in the draft Weymouth Area Local Plan, had not helped and
representations thereon have already been made. Mrs Kitchin
urged members individually to make their views known to the
Council. At the close of this meeting there would be a presentation

on the draft plan.

Concluding, Mrs Litschi thanked the Committee for their work during the year and so many members for coming to this meeting. On the motion of Mr Doyle, duly seconded, the Chairman's report was accepted with thanks.

3. Treasurer's Report. Mrs Boden-Wilkinson referred to the proceeds of the social events and from the sale of Christmas cards - the cost of the 1987 card had been recovered. She produced an audited balance sheet, showing bank balance of £298.45, cash in hand £23.28 and investment in National Savings £1,029.59. Thanks were expressed to Mrs Mullins for auditing the accounts; and on the motion of Mrs Dorshilly, duly seconded, the accounts were approved. (Mrs Wilkinson said that she had supplies of the 1987 and some previous years' cards for sale).

4. Social Activities. Mr R. Birch referred to the events which had taken place, all of which had been enjoyed by those attending. The "Little Acorns" evening, attended by 150 people, produced £401.71, Teas on the Lawn £88.30, a Coffee Morning £9.70 and the recent Barn Dance £116.54 (including a donation of £20 from Mr. Watts). Grateful thanks were due to the organisers (himself, Mr Allan Bentley, Mrs Lovelace; and the ladies of the committee, with Mr Birch), and to many generous donors of prizes, drink, food, etc.

The usual walk took place in May, and during the winter excellent talks on Dorset footpaths and on music were given by Mr Baker and Rick Birley.

Mr Birch felt strongly that events of all kinds were most useful in bringing residents together, apart from the enjoyment and money raised. On the last point he reminded the meeting that the Society had donated £250 to Dorset Hospital Children's Ward and £97 to Bournemouth Hospital for a new text-book for the Nurses. Ideas ~~was~~ for social activities

were always welcome.

Thanks were conveyed to Mr Birch and the Committee.

5. Committee Membership. The secretary reported that duly signed nominations had been received for all the present members (Mrs Beakley, Mr Birch, Mr Knight, Mrs Litschi, Mrs Lovelace, Mrs Perry, Mr Kershill, Mr Saunders, Mrs Stephen and Mrs Wilkinson) and for Mr R. Biss, Mr M. Doyle and Mrs E. Dorobotham.

On the motion of Mr Perry, duly seconded, these members were elected to form the Committee for the ensuing year.

Mr Knight said the Committee would meet on 13 April at 2 Sutton Close. We appreciated the hospitality given by members at meetings.

6. There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8 pm.

There then followed a presentation, with wall charts and photographs, on the draft Weymouth Area Local Plan. The Chairman of WABC Planning Committee, the Chief Planning Officer (Mr G. Fletcher) and Mr Arnold of Dorset CC spoke on the plan generally - background, purposes, changes envisaged, etc. - as regards the borough as a whole and the Sutton Reguly area in particular.

On the ^{proposed} zoning of the Stables frontage for "development," Mr Fletcher explained that this was ~~proposed~~ recommended because the Department felt that thereby any future suggestions for development behind the actual present buildings could with considerable certainty be resisted; without this zoning he thought it problematical, despite the decisions of the DOE on appeals in 1986/7. As regards the "green wedge," the Department would certainly not countenance any development at all; Mr Fletcher and Cllr Martin Dale both expressed definite views on this.

After many questions had been answered, Mrs Litschi thanked all concerned for attending the meeting, which had been most useful. Mrs Litschi said that the Committee had had a discussion with a developer (VADE Development Ltd, of Kingwood) about their

ideas for development at the stables and in the green
"wedge", including land near Mr. Diment's farm-yard. Entirely
without commitment, the Council has had the company that,
depending on the discussion on the draft plan, we would be
prepared to call an "open meeting" to enable them to enlarge on
their proposals. Those now present, however, decided that
such a meeting would serve no useful purpose.

The meeting ended at 9.50 pm.

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Chairman. 12/1/57