

MINUTES of SPECIAL MEETING

of COMMITTEE on 1st March 1989 at Little Acorns, Puddingstone Lane.

Mrs J. Kitchin, in the chair.

The meeting was called to discuss the 21st Anniversary party.

Mr Birch said that, after three visits to the Springfield and discussions on the possibility of the party being held there, he was convinced it was not feasible. There would be very poor facilities for entertainment, and the rooms for our use were shabby.

There were also some difficult personal relationships at the present time, with Mr Watts also running a pub elsewhere in Brack.

Mr Birch also had several thoughts about having a marguerite in March.

He therefore considered it essential to go elsewhere for the party and he recommended the Jack Room at the Strada, although not in March.

Mr Biss was concerned about using a "commercial undertaking" outside the village - it would do the reverse of bringing the village together; he favoured a less sophisticated event. Among possibilities discussed were: (a) an open-air barbeque-type meal in the Saunders's field (which the Saunders was willing to have used); something on the lines of the barn dance at the Scott Hall; a simpler gathering at the Austin Hall; a garden party in a resident's garden (Mr Biss said his garden could be taken). There was considerable discussion on the pro's + cons of these ideas, and also on the feelings of villagers towards the Society; it was finally agreed on a show of hands that the event takes place on 26 May in the Jack Room, on similar lines to that intended on 31 March although with food etc. being left to the Arch to settle with the manager.

Mrs G. Loveland - It was reported that Gwen had recently had a serious operation and flowers (value £10) had been sent to her.

The Commemorative plaque - Further discussion revealed that the small bridge seemed the most appropriate place, notwithstanding possible difficulties. Mr Fritsch said it would be unveiled by the Mayor on 31 March.

Cards - It was agreed that 500 packs of two copies of 3 views be purchased, at a cost of about £150, plus VAT. (To have six views would have cost £260 + VAT).

Thanks expressed to the Mrs Birch for hospitality.

Joyce H B Fritsch  
Chairman.