

MINUTES OF 1990 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING on WEDNESDAY 4th APRIL  
at 7.30 pm in the Sutton Room, Mission Hall Lane.

Mr J. Litschli in the chair and 37 members present. Apologies for  
absence received from 6 members.

1. Minutes. The minutes of the 1989 AGM were read, approved and signed

2. Chairman's Report.

Mr Litschli referred to the Committee's consideration of plans for development  
at the Riding Stables, including a meeting with the agent for Prudential  
Property Services. Despite the WPC Planning Committee having  
intimated that detailed comments would be welcome, such comments  
and revised proposals prepared by a local architect were apparently  
completely ignored, and correspondence with the Chief Executive  
got no further action. Requests that the matter be considered  
by the full Council were also rejected. As yet, no development  
has begun.

The proposed conversion of four barns and erection of a new house  
on Muddledock Farm site was ~~approved~~<sup>approved</sup>, on appeal, by the Department  
of the Environment. In his letter the Inspector referred to the making-  
up of Muddledock Lane - "surfacing is all that required; to make it up  
to adoptable highway standards would merely extend the suburban nature  
of the southern section, which would be alien to the conservation area."

Murphy mentioned an request to the various departments of the Council and to the Chairman of the Anti-litter Campaign for 2 more litter bins in the village, but so far to no avail. In addition we are still awaiting some tree-planting in Old Briccoubé Lane.

As regards 'Hardy 1990', the recent Newsletter referred to the Society's activities. The two days of events at Dovelwin and Kingston Mawward in June were well worth supporting.

Murphy thanked the Committee and officers for their work during the year.

On the motion of Mr Presley, the Chairman's report was accepted.

### 3. Treasurer's report.

Miss Hodder-Wilkinson referred to the financial result of the Society's activities during the past year and to donations made to charities arising from those events. Bank balance at 31.3.89 was £284.15, cash in hand £24.69 and balance in the N.S Account £1265.53.

A balance sheet, audited by Mrs Jean Mullins, was produced.

On the motion of Mr Embler, it was agreed-

- (a) that the balance sheet and report be approved;
- (b) that subscriptions to the Society remain unchanged (£1 per household, or 50p for people living alone).

Thanks were expressed to the auditor.

### 4. Secretary's report.

- (a) Mr Knight said that attendance of members of the Committee at nine meetings had been very good - 8 members with full attendance or only one absence,

The Committee had commented on the Dorset CC. Structure Plan revisions on minerals and waste disposal; on the latter the problems at Lodmoor had been emphasised.

Mr Saunders' 90th birthday had been honoured and the local policeman (PC O'Shea) congratulated on receiving the Chief Constable's commendation.

The Committee, unusually, had commented to the Council on plans

not directly concerned with the village - we had strenuously objected to the Council's proposal to install 10 illuminated advertising signs along Meynwell Esplanade.

Mr Wright mentioned that the Society and the local Village W.I. had decided to enter the Dorset Best Kept Village Competition. He decided the matter would be for the judging Committee to take into consideration and said the SPS Committee hoped everyone would do their best to make the village as beautiful and amenable as possible.

The Secretary's report was received.

- (b) Arising from the Best Kept Village competition, Mr Hayles referred to the dreadful state of the roads north of the Road and asked that this be drawn to the attention of the Borough Engineer. The Chairman undertook to do so.

#### 5. Social Secretary's report

Mr Birch said the year had been eventful and successful, with the enjoyable 21st Anniversary Party at the Stables, the well-attended Barbeque at the Springhead, and the customary Dorset Cream Teas and Summer Walk. A most interesting talk on the Coastguard Service had taken place; unfortunately another presentation by Mr Mike Shepherd had to be cancelled at short notice through his illness in hospital.

51 people had recently enjoyed a visit to "Phantom of the Opera" in London and the Committee would consider whether another theatre visit could be arranged.

Mr Birch referred in detail to the programme for this summer - the Walk on 22 June, the special "Hardy Evening" on 14 July, and Cream Teas on 18 August - which he hoped would be well supported.

The Social Secretary's report was received.

#### 6. Membership of Committee 1990/91

The Secretary said that Mr Doyle had earlier resigned, and Mrs Stephen and Mrs Swords did not wish to seek re-election.

Nominations had been received for the remaining eleven members and for Mr. David Howlings. On the motion of Mrs Stephens, these



12 nominees were duly elected.

7. Mr Hayles said the meeting would wish to express thanks and appreciation to the Chairman and Committee for all their work during the year; he wished this to be recorded. The meeting agreed and the Chairman thanked all concerned, including Mrs Stephen and other ladies who would be sewing coffee and biscuits.

After refreshments, Mr Alan Stevens of Rusby presented a slide talk on the Falkland Islands, with magnificent photographs of the birds and flowers of those islands.

  
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