

MINUTES of COMMITTEE MEETING on 18 JUNE 1990 at 1 Old Buncouche Lane. Mrs J Kitzsch, in the chair. Ten members present; apologies from Mr. Bin and Mr. March.

1. Minutes of meeting on 21 May 1990 were read, approved + signed.

## 2. Matters arising

1st Dorset West Dept Village Competition. Mrs Kitzsch said that three people inspected the village on the afternoon of 9th June which was a wet, miserable half-day. They asked questions about (1) received replies to them) community support, the mill and other improvements, and the provision of seats, etc. It wasn't clear whether they actually walked in the village and certainly whether they visited Silver Street. No indication was given as to their views but Mrs Kitzsch felt that one of the judges appeared not all that keen.

As regards the possible planting of a tree, the W.P.C. Parks Officers had indicated that the fork junction of Selton Rd / Meisters Lane was not satisfactory, earth was thin and the verge narrow. Mr Buckler said he felt similarly, and there could be a traffic problem. It was decided to defer a decision as to other likely sites.

Trees are to be planted on the Waterworks Road in replacement of elms killed by Dutch Elm disease; there will be liaison with the W.I. on this.

## 3. Chairman's Report

(i) Hardy 1990. Ten members of the Society had volunteered to assist at the Dorchester and Kingdon Manorward Fairs - the latter took place on a wet Sunday. The Chairman of the 1990 Committee and the Organiser had both written to express gratitude for the assistance given.

(ii) Action re. Death of Members. The Chairman said that, following requests by three members, she had approved the sending of £10 to Beegworth Hospital in remembrance of the late Bob Fenton. He was at one time a member of the S.P.S. Committee, a worker on behalf of the Society and its representative on the Civic Society. This action was approved.

Mrs Kitzsch suggested that we might formulate a ruling

about such donations. Little had been done in the past when former active <sup>Society</sup> members had died, mainly because they had earlier moved away from the village. Two or three members thought a letter to the next of kin was adequate and desirable; a similar number felt that circumstances might very well justify a donation - in the case of Bob Zeulin, it would have been odd if the Society were the only body with whom he was associated who did not acknowledge his services. After more discussion it was agreed that normally a letter be sent to the relative(s) of any active member of the Society who dies, but the Chairman exercise discretion in the case of a prominent past or present member.

4. Treasurer's Report. Mrs Wilkinson reported - bank balance £307.20, cash in hand £14.69 and Savings A/c £1265.53. She is pursuing the question of another bank etc who might have an account in the event of Natwest repeating the proposal to charge for it. There was no bank which would take on an account giving interest.

#### 5. Social Activities

(a) The Walk - Mr Hughes said the walk would take about an hour. It was agreed that those attending would be asked if they preferred to take refreshments at the loose man public house.

(b) Hardy Evening - All the arrangements were in hand; the admission ticket/programme remained to be produced by Simon Embler. A note about the <sup>week</sup> and about Teas on the Lawn, will be prepared for distribution to all households.

(c) Teas on the Lawn - No problems envisaged. If anyone knew of a fiddler who could play during the afternoon, they were to let Mr Hughes know.

6. Planning Matters. No action called for on applications for a day nursery at the Old Rectory and a double garage at "Gersham" Puddledock Lane (well outside the village boundary).

7. A.O.B. The Committee noted a comment by Mr Howlings concerning the possible hire of a machine which sweeps roads.

8. Next Meeting - Monday 23 July at Mrs Nowoboltze's house.

9. Thanks expressed to Mrs Wilkieson for hospitality.

Joyce H.B. Litschi  
Chairman.