

July

MINUTES of COMMITTEE MEETING ON 24 JUNE 1990 at
Dell Cottage, Plaistons Lane. Mrs J. Kirschi in the chair; few
members present; apologies from Mr Biss and Mr Saunders.

1. Minutes of meeting on 18 June read, confirmed and signed.

2. Matters arising.

(a) Best Kept Village Competition. The organisers have said, that
judging being completed, two representatives were invited to
the awards ceremony at Frampton in September. Our Chairman
and the President of the Village W.I. will attend; there is as yet
no indication of winners.

(b) road-sweeping. It was agreed to ask the Borough Engineer
to arrange regular (say, monthly) sweeping of Plaistons Lane,
especially bearing in mind that we understand that, e.g., Coombe
Valley Road is scheduled for fortnightly sweeping.

3. Chairman's Report.

Mrs Kirschi (and others) referred to the assistance given, in
relation to the Best Kept Village and other matters, by the new
owners of the East Shed, Tony Bees and Joy; a letter of thanks
will be sent to them.

4. Treasurer's Report. Not all subs have been received yet.
Cash at bank - £549.77; in hand £22.24, N.S. account, as before.
(Receipts to date are £567.67 and expenditure £304.40).

5. Social Activities.

- (a) Mr Birch produced a statement of income + expenditure, revealing an overall profit of £172.57 on the Hardy Evening. All were agreed that the plays were excellent and the food and barn dance (especially the band) first class. 92 people attended, including three four invited and the 5-piece band who had complimentary tickets.

Reference was made to the tombola, which raised £80.40 - all 50 prizes having been given. The view was expressed (and agreed) that some of this ^{money} could be used on the next appropriate occasion to purchase prizes so that fewer people or firms could be asked; reference was made to the difficulty which members other than how would have in contacting local and District firms.

It was agreed that all the profit be put into the N/S Account and also that a report of our Hardy activities be sent to the Scho.

Grateful thanks were expressed to Mr Birch for his customary most efficient organisation of the Evening.

- (b) Mr Birch also detailed the arrangements for Tea on the Lawn on 18th August. This year scones, cream + jam would be placed on tables for people to help themselves, with only tea requiring to be poured out. It was agreed that ladies making scones should be reimbursed the cost of ingredients and there would not be a raffle this year.
- (c) Enquiries will be made about Wille Shephard and Mrs Kerney giving talks during the winter, and possibly Martin Fielding, the Vet.

6. Planning.

- (a) The Stables. Mrs Libschi + the Secretary reported on the knocking down of the buildings, including the barn said to be a "conversion" earlier on, and ~~the~~ building work begun a fortnight ago. She had liaised with Mr Green and, in his absence, Miss Scott of the Planning Dept., and Mr Biss had informed the Secretary that his contacts revealed that development would be carefully watched. In the last few days, the intended site of the equestrian centre had been levelled, but this seemed to be unobjectionable. An enquiry of the estate agents indicated that there were to be three dwellings, from £175,000.

The roadway near the site has been badly churned up by J.C.B.s etc in this very hot weather; Mr Beublen said that the Council would be unlikely to do anything about it until building ceases.

Ms Hershey said that the owners of no 66 were concerned about the fence, erected by Miss Whitman, adjacent to their boundary when she obtained consent to divert the footpath to run adjacent to no 66. The Committee thought this essentially a matter for the respective owners, including the purchaser of the property, which will about the footpaths, and the Dorset CC.

(b) Heathcote, Maister Lane - there is an application for a 5.4 metre trellis fence on the North Side. This appears to be unworkable, a potential danger in even normally high wind, and a dangerous precedent; the Planning Dept will be asked to reject it.

7. Other Business

(a) Bus to the Railway Station. The Committee felt that no useful purpose would be served by representations to the S.National, as requested by Mrs Crosby of ^{Widdow's} ~~Bottom~~ Road. She might wish to contact a local councillor?

(b) Lorry parked at night in Maister Lane. Some members considered this to be a nuisance and possible danger; it was reported that Councillor Dodge was endeavouring to prevent the parking, but was not finding it easy.

8. Next Meeting: Sept 17th at Little Acorns, Luddledock Lane.

9. Thanks expressed to Mrs Corobotham for her hospitality (Meeting closed at 10.20 pm).

Tanya Hirsch
Chairman