

MINUTES of Committee Meeting on Wednesday 10 July 1991 at 7.30pm
at 1 Old Biscoube Lane. Mrs J. Yttsleit in the chair and 9 other members
apologies from Mr D. Rawlings.

1. Membership. Mr Rawlings had intimated that extreme pressure of work at his firm (Blandell Harding) made it most difficult for him to be an active member of the Committee, and he therefore wished to resign. This was accepted with regret but understanding.

2. Minutes of meeting on 29.5.91 read, confirmed and signed.

3. Matters arising:

(a) Membership cards - to be pursued with D. Rawlings; Mr Blackwell undertaken to produce copies if necessary.

(b) Old Mill House. A report on the Council's action appears in the Echo and the Councillor, Mr French, had phoned the Secretary and Chairman to complain of the Society's action, particularly our not first contacting him. He said he would write to us, but has not done so yet.

(c) Seal by road - WPBC Enquiry's Dept. wrote on 11 June to say the repairs needed be done within "the next two weeks"; still outstanding.

(d) Works in Flaxton Lane - no response from WPBC. Mrs Nowborthwaite said the verges are not now in too bad a condition.

(e) Dove Trust for Nature Conservation - literature being circulated.

(f) Matters discussed with Councillor Ellis (see appendix of 29.5.91) -

(i) footpath by stables - letter received from Mr Ellis saying that WPBC Enquiry states it is "in the ownership of Miss Pitman" and he was getting in touch with her about its condition. Mr Hugler reported improvement.

(ii) WPBC Enquiry has repeated his view that a letter box by Station Rd/ Bumblefoot/Flaxton Lane is unnecessary.

(iii) Cartshed - Mr Cees's application was approved.

4. Chairman's Report.

Mrs Yttsleit referred to Mrs Queen Woodland's death on 29 June. She was a member of the Committee for some years. A donation of £10 in her memory was sent to the local Macmillan Nurse and gratefully acknowledged.

5 Secretary's report.

Information had been received from Nell Tatt Ltd, printers, about a Christmas greeting card. The price is £180 per 1000, plus VAT. A photograph has to be sent for reproduction. Mrs Wilkinson said there were virtually no other cards now in stock (apart from 360+ of the black + white notecards). It was agreed that a greetings card be obtained, to sell at 25p each, the choice (preferably of the pond area) being left to the Chairman and Treasurer.

6 Treasurer's Report. Mrs Wilkinson said the Bank had decided not to charge for administering our account, provided it remains in credit and use remains much as now.

Bank balance is £291.39, cash in hand £12.11 and N.S.A.C - £1763.63.
(Receipts so far £655.63; expenditure £542.23)

Mrs Wilkinson will liaise with D. Scawlings about his the collection of the subs in his area and, if necessary, collect them herself.

7 Social Activities

(a) Barn Dance. Everyone congratulated Ron Birch on this most enjoyable evening, and thanked him for all his work. Mr Birch expressed thanks to many people who assisted in a variety of ways. Overall profit was £131.43, over £90 from the raffle. It was unanimously agreed that £65 be donated to the new St Andrew's School fund.

(b) Raffles/ Tombola. It was agreed that we cannot and should not always expect local people, firms etc. to donate prizes; it is quite reasonable for money to be spent from funds for major prizes if necessary.

(c) Teas on the Lawn. Mr Birch said arrangements are well in hand, and the young lady violinist hoped to attend again this year.

(d) Winter Programme.

(i) Talk by Cliff Manning Officer - arranged for 24/9/91 at the Springhead Pavilion. Mrs Pressly said we could make our own coffee etc., without charge.

(ii) Eastbridge Male Voice Choir. The choir would be pleased for us to use the Glendy; the concert will be on 13 & 27 November. It was

decided that admission be by programme, price £2. Proceeds to go to the new school fund, less a donation to a charity nominated by the Choir.

Arrangements for refreshments in the School to be further considered.

(iii) The Secretary will contact Mr Shepherd about his talk in February.

8 Planning Matters.

(a) 624 Station Road - no action called for

(b) Two mobile caravans in Stable Yard, Church Road - it was agreed that these caravans should not be sited close to the church; a site, say, at the Northern end of the yard should be insisted on. Representations to be made to the Planning Office and Councillor Ellis.

9 A.O.B.

(a) Mrs Forekilly and Yvonne Bealey are holding a craft fair in the Springfield Pavilion on Fridays, Saturdays + Sundays.

(b) The church is allowing "Little Acorn" to be used for a garden party in aid of the new school on 25/7/91 from 2.30 pm

(c) It was thought that the Society need take no further action in recognition of the current ~~Euro~~ Euro Festival.

(d) The Committee reluctantly agreed that any barn dance next year be held before Easter, and a summer walk be arranged (Mr Backwell offered to organise it).

10 Thanks to Mrs Wilkinson for her hospitality.

11 Next Meeting - 4 September at The Old Coach House.

The meeting closed at 9.30 pm.

Jayne Litschi
Chairwoman