

## MINUTES

of Committee Meeting on 24 November 1992 at 7.30 pm, at Wyndings, Plainem Lane. Mr Bayle in the chair. Apologies from Theodor Backwell, Brown and Meach.

1. Minutes of meeting on 20.10.92 read, confirmed and signed.

2. Matters arising.

(a) Ducks: The house has been made. The protective wire and the dustbin will cost £113 + £13 - authority given to Treasurer to pay. A working party will gather on 6 December to erect the fencing, etc., and the ducks are expected by mid-December. Mr Bayle has offered to pay for some ducks if necessary.

It was agreed that Keith Meach of the Boko be asked later on (via the chairman) to write an article on the duck saga, stressing the co-operative effort.

(b) May area - further action deferred pending more information.

about land acquisition by the water company and new owners of North Down Farm (thought to be a member of the Bond family).

(c) Puddledock Lane Nameplates - new ones erected a month ago, although still not as discussed with the Baginella's dept - the signs were understood to be new style with blue background, but are not.

Question of any reimbursement of cost deferred.

(d) Scumdis Wagon - Su Braden could not obtain any wheels of the appropriate size. The matter of redecoration/varnishing of the cart was left to Simon Braden and Jim White of the pub.

(e) Traffic Calming - Reply from Baginella (saying our representations are noted but finance for any measure is unlikely for some time) received.

(f) The Pond. Sewer water explains their technical problem but says water will be released, to flush out, every 4-6 weeks.

The Borough Engineer wrote saying the willows are in "sound condition" but pruning to clear the road, seats and wires would be undertaken.

(g) Britain-in-Blow. It was decided that after the meeting on 25 November a decision might be reached on whether the village would become a separate competitor. Coffee & biscuits to be provided at the meeting.

3 Measure's Report. The annual sub. to CPRE and ARES have been paid, and 50 more cards sold to the Postmaster.

Bank balance £292.61, petty cash £19.87, N.S.M.C. no change.

Miss Dickinson said that three collectors had not yet collected the Society subscriptions (or all of them) from households in their patches. It was regrettably decided that at this late stage it would be difficult for other Committee members to collect the remaining subs, and they be written off. The need for expedition in collecting would be emphasised early in the 1993/4 year.

4. Secretary's Report. The Secretary suggested fixing the date of the next AGM - agreed 7th April in the Sutton Room.

5. Manning Matters -

(a) Jouring Caravans (minute 6(1) of last meeting). A detailed reply from the Chief Executive was received and circulated. It referred to provisions in the Berwen & Grouping sections of the Weymouth Local plan; although not specifically referring to an apparent change of policy, the reply was felt to be as adequate as could be expected - but the Committee may find it necessary to pursue the matter at some future date.

(b) Waterwise Holiday Park - (i) a local inquiry into the division of Footpath 26 is to be held - the D.O.F. at Bristol will notify details; (ii) the Chairman received a letter from the M.D. of the park objecting to "trespass" on his land but offering a discussion.

It was agreed that the Society's interest in this matter generally had been adequately pursued and no further action is necessary, at this stage at least.

(c) Work at Dunelm; <sup>Waterwise</sup> ~~Waterwise~~ Lane. - No objection.

(a) Work by no 56 Sutton Road. The new access to the field behind Sutton Rd/Windlass Road, to which the Committee accepted after discussion with the Planning Department, has been completed. Some pile-driving work at the head of the new access was noted.

(c) North Down Farm. Reference already made to sale of the bulk of the farm land. It is understood that the house has been sold separately.

## 6 Social Activities

(i) Visit to County Museum. 39 people had attended this visit on 10 November from 7 until about 9.10 pm. The new curator, Richard de Veyen, had been an excellent guide.

It was agreed, on the motion of Simon Gubler, that the Society joins the Museum Society as an affiliated body @ £16 p.a.

(ii) Talk by Lord Bromham - agreed for 3 February if convenient to him.

(iii) Barn Dance. It was agreed that no special theme could be arranged; that a raffle (not tombola) be held; and a suggestion that the Village WI undertake refreshments was unpracticable.

At this point, Charles Kirk - who attended the meeting for the first time - said he was unable to undertake any but minor jobs for the Society as he has other periodical commitments, so he resigned. It was agreed that, at the next meeting, the Barn Dance must be the major item and firm decisions on all relevant matters taken.

7. A.O.B. Mrs Wilkinson suggested that the Council might consider planting a tree in the better land frontage of the Market development; previous efforts to find a suitable site or area in the village seemed to have waned. This was agreed.

Andrew Bishop wished that a poster advertising his carols afternoon + evening on 19/12/92 be put in the notice-frame. This was accepted, provided the size was reduced and wording limited.

8. Next meeting: Monday 4 Jan. 1993 at 1, Old Benicoube Lane

9. Thanks expressed to Mrs Ellen Eadler for hospitality.

A. R. Duffley  
Chairman  
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