

MINUTES

of Committee Meeting on 7th July 1993 at 7.30 pm at 5 Old
Bincambe Lane. Mr Bagler, in the chair; apologies from
A. Backwell and C. Brown.

1. Minutes of meeting on 14 June read, confirmed and signed.

2. Matters arising:

(i) 'Britain in Bloom'. The following main activities were reported:

(a) Mr D. Hunter and Mr P. Stanley of W.P.B.C. had toured the
village with the Chairman, Secretary + Non Birch and agreed a
number of things the Council would attend to before 20 July;

(b) Miss Harding, the judge, and her husband would be entertained
to coffee at 10.30 and lunch after the judging, at the Springhead
(with the Chairman + Vice-Chairman - other Committee members
paying for their own lunch);

(c) Ron Birch had arranged with Mr David Sales to hire 12 pots of
flowers and four hanging baskets; the Committee left it to these
Chairman and Ron to distribute them in the village;

(d) the route to be taken by the judge (with the Chairman + others)
had been determined after a tour of the village. [Very briefly -
Springhead, Selkenny Cott., Sutton Rd to ^{old} Police House, Brookmead,
Puddelock Lane to Sutton House, O. Bincambe Lane; then car to
Sutton Close to "Wynedings", walk back to Silver Street and up
to Little Car-park, view of Mission Hall Lane and waterworks,
then back to pub].

(e) The group in which the village enters includes Catcott + Hinton
St. George (Somerset); Denbury, E. Badleigh, Pothminster Village near
Exeter, Sampford Courtenay and Wear Gifford (Devon), Kenn (Avon)
and Pentewan (Cornwall).

(f) the new owners of 2 O.B. Lane are very helpful; thought
will be given to planting a tree or shrubs near their house.

(ii) Mr Harbour's Exhibits. Jim Willis has donated wood for a new
case, which John Harrison has agreed to make.

3. Chairman's Report.

- (i) Tony Bagler referred to a meeting with Mr Stables (Sussex Water Project Manager) on 24 June. The company are anxious to assist in community projects and will almost certainly provide a seat on the knoll up from "Wynning's footpath"; consideration will also be given to planting a few trees, ^{there} but this may not be so desirable. They will also, without commitment, consider allowing the Society a room in the local Museum for exhibits relating to this area, and also acquiring a light marquee for hiring out to local organisations.
- (ii) Mr Bagler also mentioned correspondence from Mr Bond about maps being posted up concerning the use of footpaths, including the "permissive use" of the new access way and adjacent footpaths; and the provision of two kissing-gates on two footpaths (which make use by pedestrians convenient but prevent stock from straying).

4. Secretary's Report.

A newsletter will be ready for distribution in a week or so.

5. Treasurer's Report.

Mr Eubler said there was no change in the position reported last month. On the question of subscriptions, it appeared that about 60 have still to be collected, and lists for the Membership Secretary are required. Mr Meach said that Mr Sheppard of Leynards Way, who joined two years ago, was upset to be informed at a S.P.S. meeting he attended that he should not have done so as he lived outside the village. The Secretary will write to apologise for this completely unauthorised and incorrect comment, and invite Mr Sheppard to re-join.

6. Planning matters - nothing to report, apart from a comment at a W.C.S. meeting that Mr Seale (Puddledock Farm area) had declined to give an undertaking not to seek to use some of his land for housing.

7. Social Activities

(a) Whitcombe Stables. We have been asked to defer a visit for up

to a year as a new manager was being appointed and there are some problems.

10) cream teas. 31.7.93. Don Birch detailed a list of helpers, providers of chairs etc., purchases of food + cream, and arrangements for notices and booking. He suggested a charge of £1.20 but the committee decided to retain the £1. It was agreed that no raffle be held. As regards entertainment, it was thought that the young violinist would not be heard too well in the Mitchell's garden; Mr John Young will be asked if he can entertain on his portable organ.

8. Grateful thanks to Mrs Zebbutt for hospitality at two consecutive meetings.

9. Next Meeting: 8th September at "Dogsings", Maisters Lane.

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm.

A. J. Boyles
Chairman
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