

### MINUTES

of Committee Meeting on 11 November 1993 at 7.30pm at the  
old Steble, Setton Road. Mr Angler, in the chair;  
apologies for absence from Mrs Zebbutt.

1. Minutes of meeting on 6.10.93 were read, approved and signed.
2. Matters arising.
  - (a) Britain in Bloom. The rose-bowl (Queen's Peace award) was presented to Julie White at the Springhead for safe-keeping for the year. Photographs taken have been put in the Scrap book.

(b) Tree planting. WPBC indicated their wish to plant the tree at Sutton Rd/Preston Rd junction in view of service pipes etc on the site. The Secretary discussed the matter with Mr D. Painter who said an appropriate tree would be planted during National Tree Week, and a plaque provided, saying "Planted by the S-P-Society, August 1993". The cost, including VAT, would be £47. These arrangements were approved.

(c) Will Home Name-plate. There had been further discussions with Michael Drake, especially about the wording. The name of the house ~~might~~ <sup>might</sup> be separate and a plaque would say "The Will House of Thos. Hardy's Trumpet Major". Agreed.

(d) Seat on the Knoll. It appeared that Wrenn Water would be willing to provide a seat. The Chairman had alternatives in case this did not materialise. It was felt that if the Society didn't pay for the seat, the plaque suggested by Mr Mercer could still be provided, with suitable wording about the equipment of the hills.

(e) Village Fair, 1994.

An ad hoc committee had been set up to organise this fair, with Richard Hachwell being the co-ordinator with the Society. Richard gave an account of the proposals decided on by the committee, and the Secretary reported that the <sup>fair</sup> committee had asked the Society for a donation or loan, to cover preliminary expenses £200 was in mind.

The Treasurer said that in the current account was some £60. Mrs Leitch was opposed to any loan beyond £100; she was against using any of the money in the Deposit A/c. (She enlarged upon the setting up of the fund following expenses in connection with Old Brincoburgh Lane development in 1972). She moved, and Simon Bubbles seconded, a loan of £100.

The Birch and others thought that the Society should co-operate in the organisation of the Fair and saw no reason for regarding the £200 Deposit A/c as sacrosanct. He moved a loan of £200 from the Deposit A/c; this was seconded by the Secretary, on the understanding that any loss of interest would be repaid. This was agreed, 5-2. The Fair Committee would be asked formally to apply for the loan, and informed that the Society would be willing (a) to use the

Newsletters for publicity, (b) encourage support and (c) consider selling programmes etc.

Ken Birch said he was going to assist in a number of ways and that one might be asked to run the Tombola. Richard Backwell said that Jim White of the pub was willing to co-operate, as well as the W.I. (although it isn't clear which of the two local W.I.s).

(f) 1994 AGM. Simon Eublen said that presentation of a play was possible. The date fixed - Tuesday 12 April; and Scott Hall had been booked provisionally by Ken Birch.

### 3. Chairman's Report

(i) Scudder's Wagon. He had access to two wheels and a more suitable shafts for about £50. Simon Eublen said he might be able to get four wheels. It was left for them to liaise and purchase whichever was best.

(ii) The Weymouth Civic Society had decided to award a certificate of merit to the Birchells for the restoration of the Mill House. This was noted with great pleasure.

### 4. Secretary's Report. (Ken Knight)

(i) Mayor's Appeal - no action to be taken, following recent practice

(ii) C.P.R.E. Annual Meeting - no representative appointed.

### 5. Treasurer's Report (Simon Eublen)

Income since last report - £37; expenditure (including bulbs etc £35.54 and donation to Simon £25) - £79.07. Cash in hand was £4.94 and at the bank £148.69. (The cost of re-planting and cart wheels had to be borne in mind).

### 6. Planning Matters

(a) No objection to new plans for the Workshops and Building

(b) No objection raised to temporary and limited diversion of Footpath No 5 to accommodate the works at (a).

7. Social Activities.

The Chairman said Eric Nicholls was unwilling now to undertake evening engagements.

Enquiries would be made of Ronnie White (by the Chairman) and Olivia Duke (by Richard March) about their giving a talk on "waxine Weymouth".

Garnet Woods (a former resident and member of the Committee) had asked about giving a talk on "green" commodities - perfumes, household products etc - with some samples. As this appeared to be a commercial promotion, the Committee did not agree.

8. A.O.B

Willow Pollarding. Simon Gumble thought the willow trees by the pond need attention. The Secretary was asked to approach the W.P.B.C. office concerned, who had in fact looked at the trees some months ago.

9. Next Meeting: 12 January 1994 at Richard Sackwell's

10. Thanks to Mrs New Knight for hospitality.

The meeting closed at 9.25 pm.

A. P. Byles  
Chairman