

### MINUTES

of Committee meeting on 4 October 1994 at The Old Stable, Sutton Road at 7.30 pm. Tony Hughes in the chair. Apologies from S. Beudler and R. Meek.

1. Minutes of meeting on 31.8.94 read, confirmed and signed.
2. Matters arising:
  - (a) Village name-plate. We have paid £60 to the College for providing and engraving the plaque. The Board agreed to it being put on the wall of the new house fronting Sutton Road - the old outhouse - and Michael Drake will liaise with him over installation.
  - (b) Christmas/greetings cards. (i) Packs of six different colours of Tony Hughes's cards will be on sale at £1. Bob Wilkinson and Joy Ross have agreed to sell them. (ii) Noel Text Ltd have a special offer of 1000 post cards (of our choice of photograph) for 5p each, plus £10 origination charge, plus VAT. The Committee agreed to accept this offer and left the choice of photograph - of the pond area - to the Chairman.
  - (c) 'Britain in Bloom.' (i) Reports by the two judges were received from regional office and were read to the Committee. The Brookfield's report contained very helpful comments to be borne in mind for any future entries. No decision was taken as to entry in the 1995 competition - to be further considered.

- (ii) Ann Litschi said that the Borough B-in-Bs Committee were meeting (the first time for about 15 months) on 5 October and would welcome comments. The Secretary was asked to write immediately (a) to urge something be done to improve the deplorable garden round the Statue (b) to press the Borough Committee to encourage traders in the main streets - especially "national" companies - to subscribe for flower stands etc, and (c) repeat the Society's offer of assistance financially.
- (a) Traffic Mirror The Borough Engineer did not feel able to let local authority funds provide for a mirror for inhabitants of an unadopted road, and said Department of Transport consent is needed for such a mirror to be sited on a highway. It was agreed that this matter be pursued as necessary by residents of Tuddledock Lane.
- (c) S.P.S. Tree. It was expected that the Borough Engineer would arrange for a new tree to be planted shortly.

### 3. Chairman's Report (Tony Kusler)

- (i) The Seat - Mr Mercer is happy with the plaque on the seat and does not wish now to see another plaque provided.
- (ii) Bulbs. Simon Buxton has bought some more bulbs and Jack Degan has given some. They will shortly be planted.
- (iii) Dog Mess. One or two residents have complained again. The Committee felt that the Society can do nothing more.
- (iv) Footpaths. Defects in footpaths 2, 7 and 9 have been repaired in the usual way. The Chairman will pursue the ploughing-up of much of footpath 3 off Tuddledock Lane.

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

- (a) "Dorset Agenda 21" - an invitation from Dorset County Council to attend a meeting on 2.11.94 on this matter (energy conservation, waste prevention, environmental matters etc) was noted. If any member wishes to attend (at AEA, Wimborne) he/she will tell the Secretary.
- (b) Weymouth Civic Society. The usual report for W.C.S. A.G.M. has been sent to the Civic Society.

(5. Financial Report - none submitted: little change from last report).

### 6. Social Events

(\* instead of contemplated barn dance)

- (a) Talk in Prog. ~~to~~ Circles and UFOs - arrangements for 8.12.94 confirmed.
- (b) Village Fairs Committee's Green and Wine evening\* - arranged for 10.11.94 in the Waterworks Museum. Details will be included in our Newsletter.
- (c) Boffee and Mince pies - arranged for 13.12.94 subject to availability of the Sutton looms.
- (d) Concert organised by Margaret Knowlton? - This has been discussed with the Chairman and would hopefully be on the lines of that held in Hurton Broadstock Church some weeks ago. The Committee decided that the Society should offer assistance although not actually organise it.

### 7. Planning Matters

- (a) Caravans at Hemplins' G.C. - nothing further to report.
- (b) Boards at Waterside Camp - this will now be pursued, as endeavour to ensure that the Planning Department act appropriately.

### 8. Other Business

- (a) Road signs at Borough boundary in Plainers Lane. The Chairman undertakes to look into how far these are adequate, especially for traffic coming from the bare down area into the village.
- (b) Dates of events. Joyce Litchfield said that Margaret Jamblin thought a "central register" of local events might be maintained, possibly by the Society, to prevent clashes of dates. (The secretary pointed out that this would work well only if everyone organising an event notified the central agency - which we have already arranged two functions without consulting anyone else!) Joyce and Lee Jebbutt undertook to confer with library staff on the subject.
- (c) The Propaganda World Hospice. Ron Birch and Richard Backwell spoke about efforts to assist this hospice.

9. Next Meeting - arranged for 21 November at Little Acorns.

(changed to 28/11/94 to avoid clash with W.C.S. AGM.)

Thanks were expressed to Mr. Allen Knight for hospitality.

The meeting closed at 9:20 p.m.

A. P. Taylor

Chairman

28/11/94