

MINUTES

at 7.30 pm.

of meeting of Committee on 8 August 1998 at Little Acorns. Tony Hughes in the chair; apologies from Richard Rackwell.

1. Minutes of last meeting read, approved and signed.

2. Matters arising -

- (a) Raffle raising. The Chairman reported briefly on the meeting on 5 July with the Hornsby Business and S. Morris, which those who attended thought very helpful. No reaction so far.
- (b) Millennium Fund. A meeting with Helen Kralj would now be held shortly, and the ~~Local~~^{West} Archaeological representative kept informed. The view was expressed that any exhibits from the local dig should be retained here rather than, as seemed likely, going to Salisbury or Dorchester.
- (c) Britain-in-Bloom. Members were previously informed that Sutton Point's came joint second in its class and were awarded a Gordon Ford Cup. Details of the award, judge's comments etc were in the Newsletter just prepared, along with a report on the children's painting competition which Geoff Shires had judged. He and the Society each contributed £10 towards the prizes. The Committee thanked Simon & Dorothy Cribben for their continued help. The Chairman has written to Geoff Shires, and

the Secretary was asked to write to the Boco, Jim + Jelic at the Springhead and Michael Drake (responsible for the "S.P" sign). Congratulations will also be sent to Margaret Jaubling, who came first in the local heat of the Wey canyons, and to the Mayor of W+P on Weymouth coming first and winning the T.S.W. Cup in its population group.

The Committee agreed that money would need to be spent on additional material for next year's entry - e.g. signs at both ends of the village, boxes of flowers under street name-plates etc.

- (d) Archaeological Dig - no action yet on F. Hirschi's suggestion
- (e) Nathdown Farm. The Chairman would be submitting a recommendation to the Civic Society for an award for the conversions.

3. Chairman's report. (Joyce Angles)

Dave Baddy had asked whether the Society would apply for a street sign by Dave Minnie's cottage indicating that there was no through-road at that point. Discussion ensued as to the inadvisability of a standard metal sign, even assuming the L.A. would provide one. The Chairman was asked to suggest that Dave Baddy make arrangements for a neat wooden sign, less than 2' x 2', to be provided. Joyce Hirschi said some such sign used to exist by 1 Wakerake cottages.

4. Secretary's report: (Ken Knight)

The next Newsletter would implement the decision about members' phone numbers etc, and would contain an item about the Engineer's activities concerning the River Jordan. Thought might be given to including a list of the Society's major achievements since its founding.

5. Measurer's report (Simon Budden).

Income since last report = £76, and expenditure £26.35.
The balance was £145.84 of which £15.68 was petty cash.
These figures took no account of the Bream Lea finances. On

that the Chairman said income was £285 and expenditure so far £35, plus £23 at bank & bank, leaving a surplus of £227.

It was agreed that £5 be paid to the Union Hall and to Newton Village Hall for the use of equipment.

The Chairman suggested a small donation to a charity, say the odd £17 or even £20; he recognised this would be unusual but then the income was highly unusual. After discussion, it was decided to obtain the whole amount for society funds.

Only
Tony Bagley
KK and
? H. Birch
in favour of
donation.

Tony Bagley had written to Jim Willis, the main organiser, and there was a report also in the Newsletter.

7. Planning Matters.

No action taken on an application for extension at 51 Sutton Rd.

8. Social Activities.

(a) The Walk: also included in Newsletter.

(b) Green Tea: dealt with above.

(c) Car Boot Sale: It was left to Simon Bebbles and Margaret Morris to settle dates etc and possibly include a garage sale for those with heavy items to dispose of. A Saturday in October was decided on.

(d) Talks. It was agreed that the talks by the Smiths be in October and by R. Waite in November. The Secretary would discuss dates for hire of Union Hall and the Chairman liaise with the speakers.

(e) Christmas Coffee & Mince Pies. Arranged for Thursday 14 Dec, subject to hall being free (Sec. to check).

(f) Sam Dance 1996. Fixed for 30/3/96 subject to availability of Village Hall and "Jump to the Sea" (Ken Birch to check). Suggested sub-committee to pursue the matter; chairman, ^{or J. Bebbles} would contact Dave Laddy, Ken Sykes, David Morris and Frank Baldwin.

(g) Street Fayre 1996. Simon Bebbles said he understood next year's fayre was planned for 26 June, subject to details etc.

9. A.O.B.

(i) Loop Scorp Bins. Maureen Morris referred to the report of the successful provision of these bins in Southill. Although we are not in favour of too many coloured bins, it was decided that the C.E.H.D. of the Council be contacted.

(ii) Use of land for recreation. Peter Jones initiated a discussion on possible future use of land behind Mission Hall Lane and elsewhere in the area of the Worksop for, e.g., children's play-ground, cricket pitch, tennis courts etc. Members referred to possible difficulties - e.g. stalls of the Society, used for fencing, grass cutting, building maintenance etc. This is a matter which would need discussion at an A.G.M. of the Society.

Thanks expressed to Ron and Aris Birch for hospitality

Next meeting: Monday 11 September at the Mill.

The meeting closed at 9.20 pm

A. P. Bayley
Chairman