

MINUTES

of Committee Meeting on Monday 11th September ⁹⁵ at 7.30pm
at the Mill. Lucy Anglin in the chair. Apologies - C. Brown + S. Emslen

1. Minutes of meeting on 8 August 95 read, approved and signed.

2. Matters arising:

- (a) Traffic calming: Reminder being sent to Borough Engineer as to any action following discussion on 5 July.
- (b) Millennium Fund. The Chairman reported on the meeting with John Willows of Essex Water on 24 August (attended also by Joyce Linsell). Mr Willows seemed to feel that another archaeological dig

would be a good thing, provided finance etc could be agreed. The last dig had cost Loewen Drolis £52,000 because of delays in starting work on their new buildings, and another might cost £30,000+. He was in touch with the Archaeological Society, and he mentioned possible grants from local government and the European Union as well as the Millennium Fund. A copy of the report on the last dig had been sent to Loewen Drolis and a simplified version was expected. "Heritage" requirements (i.e. effect on local history, etc.) were important.

The Chairman thought the meeting very helpful, further information from Loewen Drolis is awaited.

(c) Britain in Moscow

- (i) It was thought that the cup awarded to the village would be presented at a ceremony in the Municipal Office. The Otter agreed that the cup be exhibited in the Mill window (which has grills); Maureen Morris was agreeable to look after it.
- (ii) The Borough Engineer had agreed to replace the tree, paid for by the Society, at the junction of Weston and Sutton roads.
- (iii) Jim Tobick had been congratulated in the Springfest coming second in the local 'Best Public House' competition.

(d) Poop Scoop bins

The secretary read his letter to the C.E.H.O. and the latter's reply indicating that bins here to be "sponsored" at £250 for the first year and £160 for subsequent years. Bins were emptied and sanitized daily by L.A. contractors.

It was agreed not to proceed with this suggestion. Maureen Morris undertook to try to find a suitable contractor, and Peter Jones to talk to Mr. Aggate of Bark Hill, Kewstons Lane, about making a wooden cabinet for it, up to a cost of about £20 (some of which is given to charity). Nothing to be further considered.

3. Chairman's report (Zany Bayler)

- (i) "Krom Route": Inset CC had sent to the Society a copy

of its submission to the Secretary of State in support of this route, arising from the inquiry into the compulsory acquisitions of land. It was agreed that a counter submission be sent to the County Council, with copies to the Minister and Ian Bruce, M.P. Members of the Committee would be sent circulated.

- (ii) Sue Brady had accepted the advice about the "no through road"
- (iii) A photograph of the Brownies with George Shires had been put in the Scrapbook.

4. Secretary's Report.

- (i) Another Newsletter was in course of preparation.
- (ii) Gae Williams had given the Secretary a plastic bag of pre 1990 accounts, bank statements, supporting vouchers etc., along with the original Account Book started in 1968, which would be retained. It was agreed that the other papers could be destroyed.

5. Treasurer's Report. None available.

6. Social Activities.

- (a) It was confirmed that Fallos would be held in the Sutton Room on 17 Oct (M + S Smith) and 14 Nov (A. White); and that the hall was booked for Christmas Coffee etc on 14 Dec.
- (b) Ron Birch had confirmed booking of Weston Village Hall and "Jump to the Sea" for the bandance on 30.3.96.
- (c) The Club agreed to the car boot sale being on 14 Oct 95, charge £4 per car. The Secretary would notify P.C. Rick O'Shea and ensure an entry in the Club Magazine. Considerable discussion ensued over garage sales on the same day, bearing in mind various garage sales held in the village recently. It was agreed that the notice would indicate that those wishing to hold garage sales should notify Maureen Morris and hopefully pay £4. Peter Jones agreed to produce posters etc and arrange one notice in the "Echo".

(d) As regards February, Richard Meech undertook to contact Hugh Jagers who might talk on family and local history. Peter Jones suggested Colin Kenney as a speaker on military connections with the area. Other ideas included the master mason of Salisbury Cathedral.

(e) As regards the AGM, members felt another wine-tasting session might be appropriate. Richard Backwell undertook to confer with Christopher Hope.

7. Planning matters.

No comments offered on plans to provide an indoor pool at Upton New (Northdown Farm development).

8. A.O.B.

(i) New pathway made by Joyce Pitman south of Velanda's Road: The Secretary was asked to consult the CPO in view of members' concerns.

(ii) Reference was made to the condition of some footpaths, but Peter Jones and others felt that there were no real problems.

9. Thanks recorded to Maureen Morris for hospitality.

Next Meeting: 9 October at the Old Stables.

The meeting closed at 9.25 pm.

A. R. Bayles
Chairman.