

MINUTES

of Committee Meeting on 27 November 1995 at 7.30pm at Sutton Lodge.
Tony Butler in the chair; apologies from R. Backwell and P. Jones.

1. Minutes of meeting on 9.10.95 read, approved and signed.

2. Matters arising:

(a) Traffic Calming. Letter read from Borough Engineer's Dept (S. Morris) indicating some steps taken - within the borough - and speed checks to follow where possible. The Club decided to press for speed checks as soon as possible and to ask that W.D.C. and/or D.C.C. be requested to see to removal of the signs to the northern fork of Plaistow Lane / Coombe Valley Rd.

(b) Millennium Fund. The Chairman felt that perhaps Avenue Walk would be concentrating on activities around the year 2,000; The Society could concentrate in due course on a village project.

(c) Britain-in-Bloom.

1. The cup had been presented and is displayed in the Hill window.
2. Action & Dorothy Embler were seeing to planting as necessary - e.g. ground cover by the Paint Shop.
3. Mr Painter would be asked to discuss willow-tree pollarding

and the planting of the Society's tree which has died.

4. Joyce Hibberd mentioned the need to look after the garden at the house next to hers, the ^{members} having gone away for some weeks.

5. Arrangements were in hand for the talk by a representative of Kingston Maurward on 25/1/96.

(d) Hoop-scoop bin. Maurice Morris has acquired a bin (bucket) and will contact Lela Jones about the frame for it.

3. Chairman's Report

(a) N.C.S. Awards. Certificates of merit have been awarded to Will Bond (Northdown Farm cressions) and Dennis Water (new treatment plant). Letters of congratulation have been sent.

(b) The Brown Route. He and the Secretary had attended a pre-inquiry meeting and would arrange appropriate attendances at the inquiry itself in January. Our objection to this particular route was upheld by the committee.

(c) Hedge in Glaston Lane. Mr David Saunders intends to see to the cutting of this tall hedge.

(d) Waterside baravans. A watch is being kept on the setting of baravans on open space on this site (maybe only temporary?).

4. Treasurer's Report:

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opening balance	394.64	Chairman etc.	14.00
car boot sale profit	37.00	Donations	20.00
Raffles at talks ..	53.50	B.-in-B. bulbs	10.78
bands &c income	14.40	Lecture (K.M.)	22.00

bank in bank £407.05, in hand £25.71 = £432.76

5. Secretary's Report:

(a) A Newsletter would be distributed before Christmas.

(b) Wind on Roads. Peter Jones wished us to ask the Board to ensure that roads are cleared from heavy mud following transport of cows. Members thought this a "one-off" occurrence due to wet weather.

and it would be necessary to take action only if it happened often.

(c) Greenhill Barton Rehabilitation Centre. P. Jones also suggested we might suggest the former intended Tiverton site in Wellington would be more appropriate. The Chairman referred to an article in the Echo about appeals for £1m towards the cost, and drawings of the development; the work had been approved by W.D.C. and Mr R. Norman of Bonnibee Valley (former Chair Executive W.P.C.) felt that action now would be pointless. It was agreed, however, that concern be expressed to W.D.C. about the possibility of escalation of development in this area.

6. Social Activities

- (i) Car boot sale - quite successful and enjoyable. Advert in "Echo" was pricey, reducing profit to £37.
- (ii) Film show by R. Waite. Most successful - Suttor Room crowded. Mr Waite did not wish for a donation but the Club decided that £10 be sent to him as a charity of his choice. The Chairman and Maureen Morris will pursue the possibility of the film being made into a video.
- (iii) Christmas Coffee Morning. It was agreed (a) no charge for admission, but a raffle (Richard Backwell will organise), (b) ladies be invited to make mince-pies - 8 dozen required, (c) usual decorations etc to be provided in the Suttor Room.
- (iv) Talk by H. Jacques. This was settled for 22 Feb (not 21, to avoid clash with T. Sinclair's class).
- (v) A. G. M. Richard Backwell will liaise with Christopher Tapley. Alternatives might be another talk by T. de Carteret (was a resident and S.P.S. member) or a talk by R. Backwell on his walks.

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7. Planning.

- (a) Accession to Suttor Road (last minutes). The C.P.O. has intimated that the owner ^{claims} exists an existing access to the top land, but C.P.O. is pursuing what appears to be unauthorised work.
- (b) Houses on the former School site. Application for five houses

plus "open space" submitted to W.P.C. by Paul Scott Partnership (agents). C.P.O requested to ensure this development is linked in with the current application for 14 caravans on adjacent site; 'open space' there is available.

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(vi) Village Fayre 1996. The Club agreed we should participate again, offering to run the Tombola as in 1994.

* (vii) Ban Dance 30.3.96. It was agreed to send £60 deposit for the hire ofump at the Ban. Ian Birch has arranged to apply for an "occasional permission", which means we can run the bar ourselves instead of through a beer/spirit dealer. He was thanked.

8. A. O. B.

Rubbish Disposal - Richard Meek had, at the invitation of the Chairman, completed a local authority questionnaire.

Thanks to Mr & Mrs Bugler for hospitality.

Next Meeting: 8.1.96 at Wyndings.

Meeting closed at 9.20 pm.

J. P. R. Ryley
Chairman