

Minutes of the meeting of the Committee on Tues. 21st May 1986 at 7-30pm at 'Old Stables'. Tony Bugler in the Chair.

- (1) Apologies. Richard Backwell.
- (2) Minutes of the meeting of 23rd April 1986 were read, approved and signed.
- (3) Matters arising
 - (i) Officers. Maureen Morris agreed to accept the post of Social Secretary.
 - (ii) Traffic calming. A response had been received from the Highways Agency Manager (letter of 13th May '86) and it was agreed that he should be informed of the Committee's disappointment at the lack of progress in bringing about any improvements.
 - (iii) Redecoration of the Sutton Room. The Chairman reported that the Rotaract members were hoping to carry out the work on 1st June 1986. Mr. & Mrs. Norman Brown were prepared to carry out preliminary cleaning work on 29th May and a number of members agreed to help clean and would report for duty at 10-0am.
 - (iv) Britain-in-Bloom. Simon Embler reported that he had received a good response to the offer of free plants with over 80 already distributed. All the road sign flower boxes were in place and ready for planting. Work was about to start to tidy up the area of the bog at the entrance to SP. Video production was in hand and good progress was being made. The approximate date for the judging was 15th July and Simon would be organising the usual 'clean up' gang and contacting the Council to seek their help. A decision on the route to be followed by the judge would be taken nearer the time.
 - (v) Talk by Christopher Pope. He has agreed to speak to the Society and will be contacted in the Autumn to fix a date.
 - (vi) DNHAS. The membership of the Society has been

Council.

- (VII) Summer Walk. Richard Backwell had had to change the venue and route and members were requested to distribute corrections slips of the latest Newsletter.
- (VIII) French Occasion. Communication difficulties had almost led to a breakdown of the entente cordial with Mrs. Jacques Blane. Simon Emblem was appointed as plenipotentiary with fully delegated powers to re-establish diplomatic relations and to make arrangements for the event on 14th July.
- (IX) Teas on the lawn. Julie Allen and helpers had agreed to organise the event on 3rd August and the Sanders have kindly allowed the Society the use of their lawn for that day.
- (X) Talk by H. Jacques. Richard Mead confirmed that this had now been arranged for 7-30p 26th September 1986. Maureen Morris agreed to book the Sutter Room with Gilbert Radall.
- (XI) Talk by Brian Seale. Ken Knight agreed to contact him and invite him for 28th October.
- (XII) Christmas Evening. The Probeck Quire had offered to perform on 2nd or 5th December. Maureen Morris agreed to check on the availability of the Preston Village Hall before the Secretary confirmed the booking of the Quire. Following discussion it was decided to defer a decision on admission charges to a future meeting.
- (XIII) Road problems. Ken Knight reported that WPBC Environmental Officer would not take any action against the roads but said that individuals could do so. Simon Emblem undertook to tell those residents who had asked the Society for advice.

4) Chairman's report.

- (i) WPBC had agreed to a request from the White Horse caravan Park to increase the number

- of caravans but they must be contained within the existing boundaries.
- (ii) Members were reminded of the need to collect prizes for the Street Fairs stall. Prizes should be deposited with Ron Birch.
 - (iii) Sutter Room. The possibility of obtaining development funds from the Lottery or Millennium Fund was introduced for discussion. The Secretary was asked to obtain more precise information about the various schemes to enable more meaningful discussions to take place.
 - (iv) Willows on the pond. The Chairman has arranged to meet Mr. Paine of the DCC Planning Dept. to discuss the future treatment of the trees.

5/ Secretary's report.

C.P.R.E. It was agreed that the annual subscription of £8 shall be renewed.

6/ Treasurer's report.

As at 21st May 1986 there was a balance of £374-16 made up of £311-24 (bank at Bank) and £62-92 (cash in hand). Subscriptions were now due for collection.

7/ Planning matters.

- (i) The Old Dairy House - Puddledock Lane.

Conversion of outhouse to ancillary residential accommodation. The Chairman believed that there were no problems with this application but would check the proposals.

- (ii) Access off Sutter Road. A letter of 2nd May from the Chief Planning Officer enquired if there had been a long-established vehicular access from Sutter Road to the field. Members had no knowledge of such an access and the Secretary was asked to inform the C.P.O.

8/ AOB.

- (i) Street Lane. Maureen Morris asked for the help of the Committee to sell programmes for the Lane (H) programme. She was promised support.
- (ii) Future speakers. Peter Jones recommended Brian Pomeroy as an excellent speaker on military connections in the context of Dorset. It was agreed that he should be considered for inclusion in the programme possibly for next Spring.
- (iii) Fellows of Old Dorset. Simon Embler recommended the programme and it was agreed that it would be suitable for a future AGM.

9/ Date of next meeting.

7-30 pm Tues. 18th June 1996 at Tony Dugher's.

Thanks were expressed to Ken and Marion Knight for their hospitality and the meeting closed at 9.30 pm.

A. J. Dugher
Chairman