

Minutes of the meeting of the Committee on Tues. 3rd December 1996
at Little Acorns. Tony Bayly is the Chair.

(1) Greetings were received from Joyce Hinchliffe, Mrs Penny,
Richard Backwell and Simon Lambie.

(2) Purbeck Quire - 9th December.

Mureen Morris asked for this item to be taken before the reading
of the minutes of the meeting of 14th October as she had to leave
before 8.00pm.

She presented a paper outlining the arrangements she had
made for the concert and asked for volunteers to carry out
duties and to provide mince pies and equipment. The Chairman thanked
her for organising the event and the following list was agreed by
the Committee.

(a) Richard Head and Ann Scott would be in charge of admissions.

(b) Boston Gates (2dy) and Ten Knight (1½ dy) agreed to
provide the marshalls in mince pie production.

(c) Ron Book agreed to collect the keys for the Parish V.H at 6.30
on the night.

(d) Peter Jones would organise the raffle and he was authorized
to spend up to £25 on prizes. Tickets to be sold before the
~~concert~~ starts and the draw ^{to take} place at the end.

(e) M. M. would ask Simon Lambie to pay for the wine etc.

(f) Both rovers to be provided by Ron B. and Tony B.

(g) Jam pans for punch to be provided by D.B. and S.G. SMT.

(h) Mureen Morris helped by Mureen T. would be
the servers starting at 7.30pm.

(i) The concert would run from 8.00pm to 9.20pm without
an interval.

(3) The minutes of the meeting of 14th October were read, agreed
and signed by the Chairman.

(4) Matters arising.

5(9a) Stags bell. An offer from Mr. Grant-Greaves to make a bracelet for the bell - free & charge - was discussed and welcomed. It was agreed that the Chairman, Peter Jones would contact Mr. Grant-Greaves to discuss the construction of the bracelet and the hanging of the bell in an appropriate place in the Sutton Room. The generosity of Mr. Grant-Greaves would be acknowledged in the next Newsletter.

(4) Neighbourhood Watch schemes. The Secretary reported that Paul O'Leary was in the process of supplying materials to those who had volunteered at the last meeting (R.B., M.M. & D.R.) to fill the gaps in Sutton Royston where N.W.S. were not in existence.

(5) Social Events.

The following programme was agreed subject to the agreement and availability of the speakers.

(a) 20th Feb 1997 (at 8pm) - Roy Spring on Medieval Times (this talk organised by St. Andrews Wives Club).

(b) Crime Prevention - P. Paul O'Leary - 20th March 1997.

(c) AGM. Hartley Pope - to speak on his family's links with Sutton Royston. 17th April.

It was also agreed that Mr. Wilfred Weld would be invited to address the Society later in 1997.

(6) Sponsorship of D.O.T.E. candidates. Ten trout cards if the Committee wish to sponsor 2 candidates. It was agreed that the Chairman should be allowed to donate £15 per candidate on receipt of a written application from them and an agreement that they would come to a future meeting of the Society to talk about their experience on the D.O.T.E. Gold expedition.

(7) Planning matters

Horse shelter in field adjacent to Verulam Rd.

The Secretary had sent a letter sent to the CPO in which no objection in principle was made but suggesting that the most appropriate site was at the top end of the field on a site once occupied by a building that had been destroyed some years ago. The Chairman reported that he had recently been told that the CPO was not inclined to grant planning permission anywhere within the field for a house either and that an alternative site was being considered.

(f) Chairman's report

(a) District Structure Plan - Examination in Public. The Chairman commented on the meeting to attend together with KK and DB on 31st October. The Society had emphasized the need to keep housing development within reasonable bounds - a view shared with the CPRE. The inspector's report was expected in January 1997.

(b) B in B Awards ceremony. The Chairman attended at the Guild Chamber and received the award from the organisers. The Echo covered the event.

(c) The Chairman reported that the 'Brown' route had been recommended by the inspectors as the most appropriate for the by-pass to Dordogne.

(d) The Chairman asked the Committee to agree to a letter being sent to Miss Saunders to thank her for passing the Circular around to post. The Secretary was asked to write the letter.

(g) AOB.

(i) Cleaning out the pond. Ron Park raised the need to do something in the near future to clean out the high level of sediments that was building up in the pond. Following a lengthy discussion it was agreed that the Secretary should again contact Mr. Paynter of WIPBC who had given a verbal undertaking earlier in the year to clean the pond.

- (11) Electricity and telephone lines. Maureen Teyer expressed her amazement that SEB and BT had done nothing to remove the eyesore of overhead cables around the village. She felt the funds from the Millennium Committee would be well-spent to carry out this work. It was agreed that the Secretary should write to SEB & BT to ask why no progress was being made in removing unsightly power and wires.
- (12) Ron Bawil reported on the AGM meeting of the Weymouth Civic Society.

Date of next meeting - 7.30pm 4th Feb. at Sutton Lodge

Thanks were extended to Ron & Anne Bawil for their hospitality and the meeting ended at 9.15pm.

A. P. Duffles
Chairman.