

Minutes of the Committee meeting of Tues. 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec. 1997 at 'Little Arms'  
Mills Brewery in the Chair.

- 1/ Apologies. Ken Knight, Hartins Gates, Maureen Morris and  
Maureen Tepper.
- 2/ The minutes of the meeting of 4<sup>th</sup> November were read, approved  
and signed.
- 3/ Matters arising.
  - i) Donation to CPRE. S.E. confirmed that this was about  
to be sent.
  - ii) The Chairman reported that the plans in the Sutter Room  
had been disposed of.
- 4/ Meeting of 30<sup>th</sup> Oct. with councillors and Officers of WPBC.
  - i) Preparing a review of the Local Plan for submission  
to WPBC.  
It was agreed that ~~with~~ the Society should respond to the  
invitation of Richard Burgess (CPA) to prepare a submission for

1) The Planning Dept. will be asked to consider in the next revision of the Local Plan.

The Chairman had already drawn up a format and taken some photographs that would provide the basis of the review. After a detailed discussion the following format and timetable were agreed -

- (i) M.P. to prepare preliminary documentation and report - March 1988
- (ii) Consideration of the report by the Committee - April 1988
- (iii) Presentation to the Society with invitations to contribute - May 1988
- (iv) Committee members to collect responses & discuss with Society members - May onwards
- (v) Committee to finalise the review - Sept. 1988
- (vi) Submission to W.P.S.C. - October 1988

2) Traffic calming. P.J. made a presentation to the Committee of research that he had undertaken into the traffic problems of Plaister Lane. This included a thorough photographic record of the lane showing the dangerous sections together with suggestions on the implementation of traffic calming measures.

There followed a lengthy discussion in which every member joined in. Views on the effectiveness of various measures were not unanimous but there was a consensus that the major need was to slow down the traffic.

The Chairman had recently spoken to Inspector Paul Brandy, the Dorset Police traffic expert who had confirmed (a) that the Police were not interested in logging every minor accident that did not involve injury or a breaking of the law and (b) that Plaister Lane & Sutton Rd. were not considered to be high priority areas for traffic calming measures. The Inspector had suggested that contact should be made with Tim Westwood of the Highways Dept at County Hall.

It was agreed that a considered piece of research and report like the one prepared by Pete Jones would enhance the

case for action. It was decided that P.T. should carry his research further by contacting Mr. Westwood and Inspector Brandy and that the efforts of the Society to do something about the traffic problem in the village should also include Cutton Rd.

5) Meeting with Mr. Seale - 8<sup>th</sup> November.

It was felt that Mr. Seale had made his position as a prospective developer fairly clear at the meeting. Subsequent to the meeting a number of concerns had been brought to the Chairman's notice in connection with the possible building of a large complex of farm buildings overlooking Puddock Lane. Richard Mead read out a letter expressing these concerns which had been sent to the W.P.B.C. Planning Dept. Richard Bachelwell expressed his worries about the maintenance of some footpaths and the Secretary was asked to speak to Graham de Bortvet to seek his help in maintaining and preserving the footpaths.

6) Meeting with P.C.C. 24<sup>th</sup> November

The Chairman referred the members to the notes of the meeting which had been circulated with the agenda. S.E. reported that he had made contact with a number of organisations to enquire about sources of funding should the Society wish to take over the lease of the Sutter Room from the P.C.C. and then have to carry out a refurbishment of the Room. So far he had been encouraged by the responses and was continuing discussions.

7) Planning.

i) Heven barnum Park. Richard Mead copied that a strong letter of objection to the proposal to convert temporary access paths to permanent ones had been sent to the C.P.O.

ii) Mission Hall Lane - erection of a house. <sup>The sub-~~mitt~~</sup> P.M. had had written to the C.P.O. not objecting in principle but expressing concern about the type and size of the proposed building and requesting the C.P.O. to insist on appropriate materials including the possibility of thatch.

### 8) Treasurer's report.

i) The opening balance as at 2/12/97 was £735-53 there had been an income of £4 and an expenditure of £27 leaving bank at Bank of £684-50 and had in hand of £28-03 for a total of £712-53.

ii) Yellony further enquiries about interest bearing accounts SE recommended that the funds <sup>should</sup> remain in the present accounts and this was accepted.

### 9) Social events.

In M.M. absence the Secretary reported on the arrangements for the gathering on 12<sup>th</sup> Dec. Requests for <sup>the loan of</sup> equipment were met by various members and the Secretary noted them on behalf of M.M.

### 10) AOB

i) Tables presented to the Society by Jim White when he left the Springhead. Tony Bayler asked about the possible use of these in the Sutter Room. He was asked to speak to M.M. about this as she stored the tables.

ii) Banks of the pond. Tony B. reported that some of the stones were loose and falling down. M.P. agreed to look into the problem.

iii) Weymouth Civic Society. Ann Poole reported on the recent AGM of the Society which is apparently taking on a new lease of life under its new committee. Merit awards had been presented to the Land Registry, the Ten Centin and No 104 The Explanade.

iv) Victoria Fayre. Richard Backwell asked if anyone required a stall at the Fayre they should contact his wife Judy.

v) Damaged pillars at the corner of the Springhead subsidiary workshop. M.P. had spoken to the new landlord of the Springhead about the possibility of rebuilding the pillars. The landlord supported the idea and M.P. agreed to arrange for volunteers to carry out the work.

- 11) National Spring Blank. As in previous years the Society would support the release by giving it local publicity.
- 11) Fredy Katschi's proposal for a survey of the Village to mark the Millennium. As a number of members had already left the meeting it was agreed to defer discussion until the next meeting.
- 12) Date of next meeting. 14<sup>th</sup> Jan 1998 at Tony Bayliss with a new start time of 7-0pm.
- 13) Thanks were given to Ron & Alice Beil for their generous hospitality and the meeting finished at 10-05.

Chairman  
*[Signature]* 14.1.98.