

Minutes of the meeting on Weds. 14th Jan 1998 at Sutter Lodge. Mils Perry in the chair.

1) Apologies. Ron Birch, Simon Cumble and Maureen Tapp.

~~2) The minutes~~

Before the meeting paper the committee were pleased to welcome Mr. Tim Wentwood, Transportation Manager of DCC to join in a discussion about traffic problems related to Pleisters lane and Sutter Rd. A summary of the discussion is held in a separate file and will be published in the Feb/March Newsletter.

2) The minutes of the meeting of Tues. 2nd December 1997 were read, approved and signed.

3) Matters arising

i) Timetable for the review of the Local Plan. The Chairman asked for flexibility in meeting the timetable as initial investigations had shown that the job was more complex than originally envisaged. This was agreed.

ii) Footpaths. J.H. ^{was} still concerned particularly about the path across the fields to the White Horse. The Secretary was asked to take up the matter again with Gosh & Co. Carter.

iii) Tables presented to the Society by Jim White. Tony B. asked if these could be transferred on a permanent loan basis to the Sutter Room. It was agreed that this could take place with the proviso that the tables were clearly marked as the property of the SPS and that the PCC should accept them on this basis.

iv) Sutter Room. The Chairman reported that he was due to meet Lois Ray (Dorset Village Halls Advice) on the day after this meeting to discuss the availability of funds; should the Society take over the lease of the Hall. Neville Wood of the PCC had been invited to the meeting.

v) Repairs to the walling around the pond and the pillars on the carpark. The Chairman had not yet been able to look into these problems but would do so in the near future.

4) Millennium Project proposed by Fredy Kitzchi. ^{J.H. left the meeting for this item.}
It was decided not to adopt Fredy's proposals as a Society project but to offer him help to carry out a scheme should he decide to go ahead with it. A grant of £30 towards expenses and publicity by means of the Newsletter were agreed. The publicity in the Newsletter would make it clear to the membership that the Society ~~was~~ was not responsible for the construction of a survey but merely supporting Fredy as a well-known local historian carrying out his project to mark the Millennium. The Secretary was

asked to write to FH pointing this out and to express concern about the question of listing occupancies in the way, so much that may cause offence to some residents.

J. L. rejoined the meeting and was informed of the Committee's decision by the Chairman.

5) Planning

a) RM reported on three applications:

i) Merrin Hall Lane. Outline planning had been granted for a dwelling house which should be built in natural stone and be of small cottage style. The hedge in front of the plot should be retained. It was agreed that RM. should write again to the CPO asking that sketching should be used.

ii) Agricultural building - Puddledock Lane.

Two letters had already been sent objecting to the proposed development. The Chairman summarised the action that had been taken to date as follows - letters from the CPRE and Weymouth Civic Society objecting to the plans had been sent. Local councillors had been informed of our anxieties and copies of the correspondence had been sent to members of the Planning Committee. He had also spoken on a number of occasions to Mike Kelly (Planning Officer) and to the Environmental Agency and to a private consultant (an expert on flooding matters). A Newsletter was being sent to the membership to encourage them to write as individuals objecting to the development. It was agreed that there would be a serious risk of flooding should the scheme go ahead as proposed and this raised the question of responsibility and liability should damage occur. The Committee agreed that ~~first~~ ^{in addition to the flooding expert} should be made available if necessary. The Chairman should consult Edward Kelly (Solicitor) to seek legal guidance and if necessary funds

should be made available if required. At this stage it appeared that the ~~the~~ proposal ^{and} would not be considered by the Planning Committee of NPBC until March 1998.

iii) Haven Green Park. There was no news about the application to convert temporary green site permanent ones.

D) 55 Sutter Rd - land adjacent to.

The Secretary reported that the Acting Borough Engineer had asked if the Society had a view about the naming of the site by the developer Mr. Gollhofer who had requested permission from NPBC to call it 'Valley View'. Members thought this suggestion was banal but did not have any strong views about the naming of the site. A majority felt that a continuation of the numbering of Sutter Rd was the most appropriate. The Secretary was asked to inform the Acting Borough Engineer.

6) Social events

i) M.M. reported that Parson Village Hall had been booked provisionally for 19th Dec 1998 but in the light of comments about the social event held in the Sutter Room on 12th Dec 1997, she wondered whether it was necessary to confirm the booking as a majority of local residents seemed to prefer the Sutter Room to the Parson V.H. It was agreed that she should confirm the booking of the Parson V.H. M.M. hoped to arrange for Mrs. Chris Galpin to produce the ^{Christmas} party in the Sutter Room.

ii) 12th Feb. meeting - Brian Ramsey on Military site in Dorset. M.M. reported the booking of the S.P.A. ed would provide coffee. In 1998...

7) NOB

i) J.L. reported that 167 households were members of the Society. Of these 189 were in the village, 17 elsewhere.

ad one away.

- ii) Victoria St. Yagrs. a) It was agreed that the Society would run the Tombola again.
b) Distribution of proceeds. Some members felt that a proportion of the taking should be devoted to a 'Valley Fund'. ^{95% of proceeds} There ^{could} be ^{discussed} ^{at} ^{the} ^{open} ^{meeting} planned for 29th Jan.
c) Publicity. It was agreed that the Society would take out a £23-62 space in the Echo weekly at St. Yagrs rooms etc.

iii) T.B. asked for the following events to be publicized in the next Newsletter -

- a) 21st March - WI. 'Day of a 1000 cakes'
b) 1st April - WI. A talk on 'Walter House'.
(Details will be given to the Secretary by T.B.)

iv) Bata in Brown certificates. It was agreed that MM should give them to the Group for display.

v) Watford Baron Park. T.B. reported that the football through the camp had now been re-created. No action needed to be taken.

vi) A letter from Mrs. Wells (daughter of Bill Mervin) in which she thanked the Society for ~~its~~ its letter of condolence and donation to the Cancer Research Campaign was read out by the Secretary.

vii) Date of next meeting 7-0 pm 18th Feb. at 3, Satter St.

Thanks were given to Pat & Tony Bayles for their hospitality and the meeting ended at 10-0 pm.

P.S. Richard
MM. Record

Sharon ~~Wells~~

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