

Minutes of the meeting of 9th June 1998 held at 'The Loft'
Mile Busby in the Chair.

1) Apologies - Simon Embler & Maurice Tepper.

2) Minutes of the meeting of 28th April were read, approved and signed.

3) Matters arising

i) Brian Tew. The Chairman had not received a response from Miss Sanders to the request to hold the event on his lawn and he would follow up by a further enquiry.

ii) Footpaths. J.L. asked about the state of the path behind K.K. Lane and M.M. was still concerned about the diagonal path to the White Horse. The Secretary reported on his conversations with Grahall de Courtvet about the state of these and other footpaths but it appeared that little had been done. It was agreed that the Secretary should again approach Grahall de Courtvet and if necessary arrange a meeting between him and the Chairman. An alternative proposal was made that a direct approach should be made to WPBC and it was agreed that the Secretary should contact Mr. Fielder of WPBC to discuss the problem and report back at the next meeting.

iii) R.M. thanked the Committee for the gift sent to him when he was in hospital earlier in the Spring.

iv) K.K. asked about the stones at the corner of the secondary carpark belonging to the Springhead. M.P. confirmed that he would be taking action to tidy up the area.

4) The future of the Sutta Room.

The Secretary was asked to give a brief report of the meeting held on 27th May for those members who had been unable to attend. M.P. went on to explain that a 'shadow' management group made up of the representatives

of the above and a number of nominees made at the meeting of 27th May would be holding its first meeting on 1st June to establish its terms of reference and to prepare for negotiations with the PCC about the lease of the Sutter Room. Mr P will report back at the next Committee meeting.

Mr M. raised the issue of the purchase of a water heater for the SR which had been discussed at the AGM of the Society. The Secretary read out the appropriate minutes which confirmed that a definite proposal had not been made at the AGM and that there was no commitment to buy a heater. It was agreed that Mr P would ask Neville Wood of the PCC at the meeting scheduled for 1st June about the PCC, as the landlord, would be prepared to provide a heater as a matter of urgency.

5) Planning

a) The following report was made by RM -

- i) The Barn - Puddledale Lane. This application had been turned down by the Planning Dept on 29/4/98.
- ii) ~~the~~ Application by the late Miss Pitman for a dwelling to be built on land adjacent to the Evangelical Church, Sutter Rd. had also been turned down.
- iii) The application to build on land adjacent to No 3 Strandley Terrace was also rejected.

b) The Chairman ~~reported~~ commented on a recent meeting he had had with Mr Gault of the Waterside Caravan site at which the new acquisition by Mr Gault of Neptune's site had done to the home at Bowledge Grove. The meeting had been arranged to establish a better relationship between the Society and Mr Gault and to make him aware that much of the opposition in the past had arisen because of his habit of doing things before seeking planning approval. The Chairman felt that a better relationship would develop in the future. Mr Gault had made a generous gift of two bottles of quality Scotch

for the Society's Tombola stall at the Victoria Street Fayre.

c) P.M. informed the Committee that he had just received notification of a planning application to carry out various work at the Bridge Farm including a new footbridge and a re-visit of the children's play area. At this junction the Chairman was informed that Mr. Martin of the Weymouth Town Society, wanted to speak to him about the application. On returning to the meeting, it was agreed that as Mr. Martin had expressed concern about the application, the Chairman & P.M. would examine the proposals and take any appropriate action.

6) Social

a) M.M. could not comment on the Brown Ties until the Chairman received a request from Miss Sanders.

b) M.M. suggested that the Society may wish to enter the Brite - in - Blue competition again next year to coincide with an Open Gardens event. It was agreed to defer this until ~~the~~ a later meeting.

7) Treasurer's report.

The Treasurer being unable to attend had asked the Secretary to present his report. As at 9/6/98 the accounts showed an opening balance of £502-90 with income from subscription of £66-00 and an expenditure of £380-56 leaving 'cash at the bank' of £134-99 and 'cash in hand' of ~~£151-34~~ £53-35 - total £188-24

8) AOB

i) Manor Farm House. T.B. asked if anyone knew what was to happen to the building as it appeared to be falling into disrepair. The Chairman agreed to speak to the CPD about it.

ii) Tombola stall. P.J. confirmed the arrangements that were in hand and six members volunteered to help label the prizes on 25th June. He asked the Committee's view about donating

f. Co. Scouts and R.N.A.I. for help, to provide the equipment for the club.
He suggested that £10 per group was appropriate. It was agreed that
this was reasonable and that it should be provided from the
profits of the Tombola and not from existing Society funds.

iii) Agenda 21. It was agreed that PJ should respond to
a questionnaire from DCC on behalf of the Society.

iv) Rubbish bins around the pond. The Chairman felt that the existing
bins were inadequate for the job being open-topped allowing birds
animals and the wind to disturb the rubbish and cause other
problems. The members supported his suggestion that he should
approach WPBC to do something about the problem.

v) Village Plan. The Chairman had arranged a meeting with the
District Community Action Group and Simon Williams (WPBC) for
Tue 16th June which RM would also attend and although the
original schedule had slipped it was hoped to make progress
towards the objective of preparing a plan for inclusion in
the next revision of the WPBC Local Plan. The members
strongly supported the Chairman's initiative.

vi) T.B. commented that the Village Walk on 4th June
had been a great success and a view strongly supported by
other members. The Committee thanked RB for organizing
and leading the walk. RB suggested that if there were sufficient members
interested a second type of outing could be arranged next year for an

9) ~~Date of next meeting - 7-30pm 9th July at Hants Lodge~~
open-topped bus ride to Pothol Hill with cream teas at
the White Pt. MM agreed to take up the offer for next
year's social programme.

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10) Thanks were given to MP, CP for their hospitality
and the meeting closed at 9-40pm.

Agenda Sec'd MM
S.L.

Chairman
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