

Minutes of the meeting of the SPS Committee Thursday 13th April 2000
held at ~~South~~ Hampton Lodge. Joyce Litschi is the chair.

1) Apologies.

Gillian Allen, Simon Enfield, Ken Knight, Vic Farant,
Alun Simpson, Richard Reed

2) Minutes of the meeting of 22nd March were read, approved & signed

3) Matters arising (not on the agenda).

a) The Secretary confirmed that a letter of thanks had been sent to M. Golliff for the donation of stone for the road signs.

b) A letter of thanks had also been sent to W. Paine Tree Officer for DCC for his help with the oak planting project.

c) Purchase of land adjacent to the Morris Hall. The Chairman confirmed that any purchase of the land would have to be arranged by the Morris Hall Management Committee dealing with the St. Andrew's PCC at the Salisbury Diocese.

d) Erection of stones up at the top end of Plaister Lane.

This item to be put on the next agenda.

4) Tombola stall - Victorian Street Fayre.

The Chairman expressed his worries about the arrangements for the stall. Following a discussion it was agreed that DB should speak to Alun Simpson who had agreed to organise the event. To ascertain whether he would be able to undertake the work following a recent question. PT informed that detailed documentation of the procedures used on a previous occasion were still available for Alun to study.

5) Planning matters.

a) Extension to 115, South Rd.

The Secretary read out a letter that had been received from the owner - Mrs. Dennis - in which she complained about the Society expressing concern about the proposed development in a letter of 16th March sent to the Planning Officer. He also read out a suggested reply by MP which had been drafted before he stepped down as Chairman after the AGM. The Committee agreed with the gist of the reply but asked that a reference in MP's letter offering to meet Mr. & Mrs. Dennis should be deleted. The Secretary was asked to respond to Mrs. Dennis' letter confirming that there was no objection in principle to the scheme but only a desire to retain the qualities of the site at an important part of the village.

a) House at the junction of Minchin Hall Lane and Alanta Lane.

There were still doubts about the construction methods to be used by the developer. It was agreed that the planning officer responsible - Ms. Evans-Brown - should be asked to report on any changes to the original plan. Michael Haine raised the problem of telephone lines currently crossing the site and was concerned that BT would erect yet another pole in the area adjacent to the development. The Secretary was asked to contact BT to ascertain their intentions and to ~~make~~ request that the lines be put underground.

c) Stables - Valley Cottage.

PJ was worried about an effluent problem and asked if the Committee would consider re-submitting its response to the original application if following further inquiries that he was undertaking, it was found that there were real dangers that the planned soak-aways were inadequate. The Committee agreed that the matter should be referred to the SPS Planning sub-committee.

d) The membership of the Planning sub-committee was defined, namely, Th./PJ/MM/RM/Tony B. It was also

agreed to co-opt MP because of his experience in dealing with planning matters.

6) Social events

a) 17th May - Walk. Arrangements were confirmed

b) 5th August - Barn Quay. David Ennery kindly offered the use of his garden at Fox Cottage for the event. P.J. agreed to organise a raffle.

7) Treasurer's report - There was no report on Treasurer's account

8) AOB.

a) The lists of members for collection purposes were agreed and new allocations made following the resignations of Richard Backwell and Ron Bird. The revised list is available on file and the new collectors will be given lists by the Secretary.

b) Beach new pond. It was agreed that Joyce Hitchcock should arrange for improvements to be carried out around its base.

c) M.M. reminded members that the DWT would be planting marginals around the pond on 18th/19th April. Volunteers to help would be welcome.

d) An invitation to a CPRE fund raising event on 13th May was read out by the Secretary. No one agreed to attend.

e) Venue of future meeting. The Chairman whilst agreeing that the increased ^{numbers} size of the Committee would be difficult to accommodate in member houses still felt that it should still be tried as a move to hold the meetings in the Music Hall would be costly. This would have to be kept under review.

9) Date of next meeting. 7.30pm Weds. 26th May. At Sutton Lodge.

The meeting closed at 8.55pm. Thanks were given to Sue and Peter Jones for their hospitality.

Prop. & Sec.

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C.D.

Synd. Walter H.B. Kutschin