

Minutes of the meeting of the SPS Committee held on Tuesday 8 May 2001 at Brookberry. Joyce Litschi in the chair

1. Apologies Clive Davis, Julia Allen, Michael Haine.
2. The minutes of the meeting of 4 April were read and approved.
3. Matters arising
 - a. Village Green. No further response has been received from Mr Strong of Bradens (nor Mr Seal). It was proposed that we should write again referring to our previous letter and also identify the potential availability of funding. [Action JS]
 - b. Dredging of pond. JA has been in touch with DWT (Bronwen Bruce) who has suggested that action is needed urgently. Mr Painter from WPBC is due to have discussion with JA / DWT – JA to chase. [Action JA]
 - c. Ladies on Committee. Mrs Randall has been suggested – JL to approach her. [Action JL]
 - d. Cream Teas. Venue has been arranged with Mr and Mrs Bellis for 4 Aug.
 - e. Periodic Electoral Review. After some discussion, no action was deemed required for this routine review of the electoral boundaries.
 - f. Traffic conditions in Sutton Road. After some discussion it was decided that this matter should be reviewed following completion of the new houses.
 - g. Cars parked in Plaisters Lane etc from the Cart shed. JL has had discussion with Tony who has understandings with various local residents regarding parking outside their houses – he now only has 4 cars having recently disposed of 3 vehicles. He has been practising defensive parking: in Old Bincombe to minimise damage to the verges from reversing vehicles – parking outside the Cart shed in winter nights to reduce the likelihood of break-ins – also parking outside the Cart shed during the day to slow traffic down at the corner, which he believes is a hazard. Following some discussion, it was agreed that there is the need for a compromise if we wanted an “active, lived in community”. It was also pointed out that all non residents cars tend to be blamed on Tony, although many could well be visitors. The situation was concluded as acceptable but should be monitored over the next 12 months.
 - h. New subscription collection areas were agreed. Notice to be distributed. [Action JS]
4. Planning Matters
There were no new planning matters arising.
VF commented on the excessive height of the new houses being built in Sutton Road. It was suggested that the Planning Committee should consider the skyline of new developments – possibly by requesting an artists view of the street scene. It was noted that the view of the new houses entering the village (cf to the church) was quite advantageous whereas the view from the Weald (which is significantly lower) was not so advantageous.
5. Social Events
Cream Teas - Venue on 4 Aug arranged for Sutton House (Mr and Mrs Bellis) – as indicated above.
Walks – JS to talk to Richard Backwell for potential dates and arrangements. It was suggested that the Spring Walk would most likely be abandoned due to the Foot and Mouth restrictions. [Action JS]
Any other social events would most likely be organised by the Mission Hall Committee.
6. Newsletter
JS tabled draft outline of the May newsletter. Various contributions to be members for individual paragraphs – the aim is to keep Newsletter limited to 2 sides of paper.
7. Treasurers Report
As the AGM has just been held, there is nothing further to report this month. Signatures were provided at the meeting for the National Savings account.
8. Correspondence
08/05/01 W&PBC Planning applications w/e 04/05/01; passed to RM
30/04/01 W&PBC Planning applications w/e 27/04/01; passed to RM
25/04/01 Trimar Thank you for donation from Richard Backwell

24/04/01 DCC Details to update LID database sent by JS
23/04/01 W&PBC Planning applications; passed to RM
23/04/01 DCC Request for us to update the LID database - ref P04 18/04/01
19/04/01 W&PBC Letter sent by Don re Infestation of rooks noting that Rick Slatter was to talk to his colleagues at the WPBC about the problem.
15/04/01 League of Friends W&P Hospital; Invite to AGM and request for donations
10/04/01 SW in Bloom; Chasing application. Don had telephoned to advise that we would not be partaking this year.
05/04/01 Mr & Mrs Lunn Thank you note sent by Don for "opening path around waterworks property".

9. AOB

- a. JL commented on the amount of rubbish that has accumulated in the SEB sub station. JS to write and request the are be cleaned prior to the summer season. [Action JS]
- b. TB noted that the cobbles in Silver Street were very pronounced and appeared to offer a potential hazard. It was noted that the road was not adopted – no action was requested.
- c. TB noted that the small triangle of land (in Plaisters Lane) outside Corner Cottage (in Mission Hall Lane), was being maintained by the owner of Corner Cottage.
- d. TB commented that Fredy Litschi gave an interesting walk around the Village if we needed any further social activities. JL to speak to Fredy to see if he would be interested.

10. Date of next meeting

Tuesday 26 June 2001, at 7.30 at Clive Davis house. (Felix House, Plaisters Lane)

[JS to confirm]

Thanks were given to Heidi and Vic Farrant for their hospitality – the meeting ended at 9.25 pm.

Minutes agreed and approved

Tarjee Litschi

Date 26/6/01