

Minutes of the meeting of the SPS Committee held on Monday 12 February 2002 at Brookberry  
Joyce Litschi in the chair

1. Apologies Clive Davies, Michael Haine
2. The minutes of the meeting of 14 January 2002 were read and approved.
3. Matters arising
  - a. It was noted that The Mission Hall Cake and book sale raised over £500
  - b. SE advised that assistance is wanted in trimming the area around the Village stone on Sat 16 Feb starting at 10.00. It had been deferred due to inclement weather.
  - c. JA advised that the WPBC pond cleaning was due to start on 11<sup>th</sup> Feb – but did not. Nor were DWT in attendance. Revised date not currently known.
  - d. Reply to correspondence on the state of Plaisters Lane was read; SE advised that he understood that the Council were to tarmac over all the damaged areas.
  - e. WPBC have replaced the missing plaque from under the tree at Preston/ Sutton Rd junction.
  - f. There has been no reply to the last letter with regard to the part of the orchard still retained by the PCC.
4. Planning Matters
  - a. There was further debate on the proposed felling of the pine trees at the south boundary of the Waterworks. After reviewing the recent letters sent by the Society and others it was agreed the matter will now be left –and presumably the group of trees will be felled (and replanted).
  - b. Following the last meeting, the secretary did not circulate a planned poll of the members - on their interest in a recreation area – due to several conflicting views within the committee. It was decided to rescind the previous decision to conduct a poll. It was also agreed that we would not indicate support for any private poll that might occur (this would include delivery or collection). JS to advise Peter Jones of our change of view.  
It was thought that any poll on a recreational facility might conflict with the likely efforts of the Mission Hall Trust in raising funds for the Hall. In addition it was considered that the potential costs of obtaining, preparing and running a recreational area would be considerable; it was thought that our efforts should be concentrated on completing the orchard area behind the Mission Hall.  
DE to get some feel of the availability of the allotments at a convenient opportunity.  
JA to find out which actual areas are currently leased to the Mission Hall Trust.
  - c. Other planning notices.
    - An objection has been sent regarding the planning application to replace the touring caravan space at Waterside with static vans.
    - It was agreed that an objection should be submitted to the planning application for two houses at the rear of Old Granary Close (although it is outside our area) on the basis of undesirable skyline development and unnecessary in filling.
    - JL noted that the agricultural field behind her house has been bought by two of her neighbours.
5. Social Events
  - a. Victorian Street Fayre. Nothing to report – MH at meeting today.
  - b. Jubilee celebrations. JL asked what the Society had organised 25 years back?  
SE still awaits advice from the town on their plans.  
It was agreed that in addition to the lighting of the beacon we should change this years August Cream Teas to a June Village Jubilee Tea – planned for Sunday 2 June. JS to write to the WI and MHT to advise our intentions and canvas their support.  
JS to talk to Dave Caddy re moving and siting the Beacon up the hill – see AOB.
  - c. AGM set for Tuesday 9 Apr 2002.
6. Treasurers Report  
There was no treasurers report as there has been no movement this month.
7. Correspondence - The following correspondence received / sent in the period was reported

11/02/02	W&PBC	Planning applications w/e 08/02/02	
10/02/02	M Pressley	Tel Re Trees, Expert Ron Martin 8/02 remove 2 / 3 trees prune large one	(a)

10/02/02	WCS	Bulletin 34	(circulated)
04/02/02	W&PBC	Planning applications w/e 01/02/02	
31/01/02	John Croydon	Reported back (143) no interest in getting numbers allocated	
30/01/02	M Pressley	Tel advised re letter to/from WW on trees	(a)
30/01/02	Millenium Commission	Newsletter –	(Passed to JA)
29/01/02	W&PBC	tel call David Painter re Plaque replaced - £25 contribution	(b)
28/01/02	W&PBC	Planning applications w/e 25/01/02	
28/01/02	W&PBC	copy of letter to S Thomas re Plaisters Lane	
26/01/02	W&PBC	Hazel Bruce copy of correspondence ref 103	
22/01/02	W&PBC	Plaisters lane – reply	
21/01/02	W&PBC	Planning applications w/e 18/01/02	
21/01/02	Wessex Water	Trees in Pumping station	(a)
20/01/02	W&PBC	follow up plaque - re 121	
20/01/02	PCC	Interest in rest of orchard area	(d)
19/01/02	DWT	Winter magazine	(circulated)
17/01/02	W&PBC	State of Plaisters lane following Diversion	(c)
17/01/02	Maureen Tapper	Thanks for powering Christmas tree lights	(d)
17/01/02	Wessex Water	Planning application - felling trees	(a)
17/01/02	WCS	Reply to Request for 100 word report	
17/01/02	T Bugler	cc W&PBC re Waterside static caravans applic'n	
16/01/02	W&PBC	Planning application - caravans at Waterside	

Items noted

- a No further action - See minutes
- b "No action" agreed on request for £25 donation unless invoice received.
- c. No further action
- d No reply received

8. AOB

- a. VF noted that the field behind his house (the green wedge) was beginning to look like a scrap yard. SE to talk to W&PBC for their advice.
- b. TB proposed that the Society purchase a seat to be located in the orchard area - agreed. JS suggested that individual villagers might also like to donate a seat.
- c. TB raised the matter of "how, who and when" would move beacon. JS to talk to Dave Caddy.
- d. JA raised concern that the property at 111 Sutton Road (owned by Mrs Warren) was decaying into a ruin and potential hazard. JS to approach W&PBC for advice.
- e. Concern was raised that the pile of rubble outside Mr & Mrs Skinner seemed to be hanging around for some long time.
- f. KN noted that ~~Richard~~ <sup>Brian</sup> Ellis appeared to be pursuing a 20 mph limit without a request from the SPS. He was reminded there was an election soon. No action required
- g. KN advised that the Italian dinner planned by the MHT was fully subscribed before the newsletter was published.

9. Date of next meeting

Tuesday 12 March 2002, at 7.30 at Julia Allen. (99 Sutton Road)

Thanks were given to Vic and Heidi Farrant for their hospitality – particularly at short notice. The meeting ended at 9.40 pm.

Minutes agreed and approved

*Joyce H.B. Kirby*

Date

*12/3/02*