

Minutes of the meeting of the SPS Committee held on Monday 26th July 04 at 99 Sutton Road
Simon Emblen in the chair

1. Apologies T Bugler, D Emery
2. The minutes of the meeting of 22nd 2004 were read and approved.
3. Matters arising
 - a. Action Continues –re JS to remind Alan or Les Jolliffe re supply and siting of large stone(s) on which to mount a single plaque for the millennium trees. He has promised to deliver and erect it when he next has suitable equipment. SE and JS have spoken to LJ recently.
 - b. DE to pursue WW and W&PBC re pond de-silting – DE advises that that he has been speaking to DWT, WW and W&PBC; WW have agreed to fund work. WW will install sluice system to allow the water to the mill to be retained whilst the pond level is lowered. WW will service the weir to allow the water level to be lowered (approx 15 ins). A contractor, experienced with puddled clay ponds, will remove the silt to a landfill site.
 - c. It was noted that the telephone box by the cart shed appears to be non operational. Letter required requesting reinstatement.
4. Committee Sub groups

The Mission Hall trust – Retrying to obtain a Grant – not too optimistic. Noted that the MHT has a grant of £8.5k from DCC when the work starts.

The Environmental Partnership – Chair is also chair of environmental committee – which suggests that matters raised may progress more easily to the next level and action. Input to Regional strategic plans will be required over the next months.

The Community Group – no meeting.

Victorian Fayre – Reported that 3176 people paid to attend (cf 3335 in 2002). Takings some £16.5k with £3.5k expenses leaving £13k to be distributed (on 12th Sep). Tombola took £776 (£844 in 2002)

Tombola tickets left 254 (if all paid at 25p should have realised £855.50). Unclaimed prizes 32; unsold prize tickets 17.

Lesson learnt – PA not perfect; 7 bales of straw gone missing; Letter to Antony Smith for tombola prizes required.
5. Planning Matters
 - a. In absence of DE, note summarising meeting with Richard Burgess on 5th July read (attached to minutes).
 - b. White Horse drive – application withdrawn
 - c. Springside – request to fell trees. Application approved – no objections
 - d. Springhead signs reapplication. Rejected 9/7/04 as visually detrimental
 - e. Old Rectory Awaiting approval.
 - f. Timberline . Awaiting approval
 - g. 14 Verlands (revised scheme) - Not in our area – no action.
 - h. 17 Fisherbridge Erect 5 new dwellings - Not in our area – no action
 - i. 25 Winslow Roof alterations Not in our area – no action.
 - j. 5 Old Granary; 2 storey side extension; Not in our area – no action
6. Social Events

Walk on 12th July well supported and enjoyed in spite of getting “lost” once.

Cream teas to be organised for Saturday 21st Aug. Hall booked. Assistance required at 10.30 to erect trestles in orchard or hall etc. Prices as last year. Raffle prizes to use Tombola left overs.
7. Treasurers Report

Income / expenditure report since last report filed shows total funds increased by £3.32. Total funds available total £3326.20 (incl £500 commitment). Report filed.
8. Correspondence - The following correspondence received / sent in the period was reported.

16/07/2004	N Maton	Tall trees at WW Letter required explaining that the matter was previously raised at a public meeting (the AGM) to which anyone is invited. We understand they did not attend due to other commitments. An SGM will be called according to the Society rules – if requested.
26/06/2004	M/commission	Star people - spring 2004

26/06/2004	DCC	Strategic planning news
26/06/2004	CPRE	Letter - summer 2004
26/06/2004	DWT	Raffle
23/07/2004	W&PBC	Planning applications w/e 23/07/04 - by e-mail
16/07/2004	W&PBC	Planning applications w/e 16/07/04 - by e-mail
09/07/2004	W&PBC	Planning applications w/e 09/07/04 - by e-mail
02/07/2004	W&PBC	Planning applications w/e 02/07/04 - by e-mail
26/06/2004	W&PBC	Planning applications w/e 25/06/04 - by e-mail
25/06/2004	W&PBC	Objection to Springhead signs

9. AOB

a. JL expressed disappointment that no funds were provided to the MHT from the Fayre. SK advised that there was a donation of £250 in addition to the revenue from the stall run by Audrey Mc thought to be in the region of £500; Previously £1500 in 2000 and £4000 in 2002 had been passed to the MHT. Major concern appeared to be a statement at the initial allocation meeting that a donation to the MHT would not be considered.

It with noted (with appreciation) that some funds were being donated to Scutt Hall.

b. JL asked if we could raise the possibility of speed humps down Sutton Road as a traffic calming measure. It was noted that we were in the queue for traffic calming – but some way down.

c. It was noted that the seat appears to be installed a little on the low side – DE to action. It was well used during the Fayre.

d. It was asked if we had seen any planning approval for the Buckleys conservatory. Although there was no objections known, it was thought we were shirking our job in not ensuring that the conservation procedures of the village were being observed.

e. TB has asked if we would consider a donation to WCS to assist in their fund raising for Nothe Fort. Although a minimal figure considering the large sum required, a donation of £25 was agreed (Proposed KK seconded PR).

f. JA requested anyone going to the MHT BBQ to telephone MM

g. It was noted that the activity in Old Orchard was removing old sheds and removing a dead Elm from Felix House.

10. Date of next meeting

Monday 6th Sep at 7.30 at Southdown Cottage (Mike Haine).

Thanks were given to Julia and John Allen for their hospitality. The meeting ended at 10.12 pm.

Minutes agreed and approved



Date

6-9-04