

Minutes of the meeting of the SPS Committee - Monday 24th April 2006 at Wyndings
Simon Emblen in the chair

1. Apologies – Sara Knight
2. The minutes of the meeting of 15th March were approved and signed.
3. Matters arising – PJ reported that he has obtained documents relating to BOATs which has now been approved and will e-mail appropriate extracts to the committee.
4. Committee Sub groups
Representation of the new committee was agreed as:-
 - The Mission Hall trust – Simon Emblen
 - The Environmental Partnership – Simon Emblen. Peter Jones to sit in if SE not available.
 - The Community Group – Simon Emblen
 - Planning sub Group – Peter Jones, Tony Heathershaw, Tony Bugler, John Sutherland

- SE reported that the Mission Hall extension was progressing. Apparently awaiting an electrician. Work on the paths and orchard access in work. TB commented that the paths did not look wide enough for a wheelchair.

- The Environmental Partnership next meeting is 21st June to be hosted at the Mission Hall.

- The Community Group – no meeting.
5. Victorian Fayre
Society Tombola stall – SE advised that he has had replies from 43 begging letters sent. Expects to need personal contact with businesses and will need assistance from committee. He had received some prizes already from John Allen.
SE reported that he understands that the highways department of W&PBC have agreed to permit the builder of the houses off MHL to use the small car park at the end of the pond as a holding area and parking for some locked cabinets for the 18 months or so of the building works. This would appear to be a significant inconvenience to local residents as well as problematical for the Fayre. All members are requested to consider their views and forward them to SE by 1st May (Mon) to allow a SPS view to be produced. **ACTION ALL**
6. Conservation and Environment Working Group Report
 - a. Stiles – Advised that this is progressing with contact with affected people being made. Completion expected before the end of summer.
 - b. Trees around the Pond. As noted above a reply is still awaited to the urging letter sent earlier.
 - c. BOATs see item 2 above. Understand that the council are now seeking guidance on the implementation. We understand the CPRE are happy with the final document.
 - d. TH noted that he had advised the local council of the demolished road sign at the end of Plaisters Lane. He noted that there was apparently an electrical lead embedded in the concrete foundations.
 - e. TH reported that he had cleared some of the brambles back from the stiles alongside gates so that people did not need to open the gates for access.
 - f. Village Plan. TH advised that some 397 questionnaires have been delivered with collection due to start this week. Several negative comments have been received by committee members – we await collection to see the general reaction.
TH advised that the steering group is now chaired by Maureen Tepper and the liability insurance, spoken of at the last meeting, is now in place.
There was an article in the Echo on Saturday; a stand is planned at the Fayre on 25th June and an article is expected in The Register. An open day is planned for 15th July at the Water Works with various activities planned.
JS requested that copies of local publicity be retained for the Society scrapbook that he holds.
7. Planning Matters – PJ reported
 - re Old Orchard application – noted that the property appears to have changed hands.
 - 1 Waterworks cottages – 06/158 Relocate existing shed and erect summerhouse. No comment.
 - Greendown – 06/200 Erect new dwelling with attached garage; replacement of existing house with 2 storey, 5 bedroom house and also requests removal of 4 trees (and replanting). Agreement in general sent – copy filed ref 892.
 - Dell cottage .06/265 tree crown reduction – agreed.
 - Winslow 06/081 advised that it had been refused.PR advised that Mr Stevens has written to W&PBC complaining of the materials in the Green Wedge. Understand they are investigating to get materials removed.

8. Social Events

Next social event – Cream teas in the orchard on 29th July. To be confirmed at next meeting.

Following AGM – JS provided note outlining collectors areas (no change from last year). Also provided a list of people who had paid their subs at the AGM.

AGM treasurers report had minor error with 2005 comparison balance sheet summary showing 2004 figures.

9. Treasurers Report

The treasurer reported receipt of the grant for the Village plan (£1699) and £37 subs at the AGM. Expenditure of £168 for questionnaire printing, £80.25 AGM costs and £0.62 loss of interest from transferring money from the savings account. Report filed.

10. Correspondence - The following correspondence received / sent in the period was reported.

27/03/2006	W&PBC	re Bus stop paving	Await further progress
23/03/2006	W&PBC	e-mail Planning 06/200 Greendown	Agreed
21/04/2006	W&PBC	e-mail Planning 06/265 Dell cottage – Trees	No Comment
20/04/2006	WDDC	Camping at Eweleaze Farm near Redcliff Point -	
20/04/2006	CPRE	Dorset review + notes AGM and Seminar	Passed to TH
20/04/2006	D Ackroyd	Thanks for talk at AGM	
12/04/2006	DWT	Newsletters Spring 2006	Passed to TH
29/03/2006	W&PBC	Notification that 06/0081 29 Winslow had been refused	
06/04/2006	F Litschi	Birthday card – 80 th	
20/03/2006	DCC	Details of History Centre	
22/03/2006	DCC	Replacement of Stiles with Pedestrian Gates – programme	
16/03/2006	WDCC	Camping at Eweleaze Farm near Redcliff Point	
20/03/2006	WDCC	Camping at Eweleaze Farm near Redcliff Point	

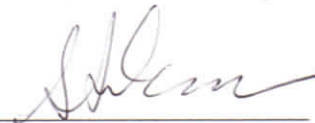
11. AOB

- a. SE noted that he had spoken to the Water Works re their wind sock – and they have agreed to replace it with a green sock.
- b. JS advised that the Water works (John Willows) had cleared the area around the Wash Area. All agreed that it was a big improvement.
- c. JS raised the potential problem of parking adjacent to the pond (near the reed bed) where the bank appeared to be undermined. TH to investigate.
- d. PR noted that we had not been advised by Simon Williams of the result of his discussions with Paul Rookes previously promised. re “The owners intentions and future plans for the Green Wedge”. Action - JS to chase W&PBC outstanding.
- e. PJ noted that the name of CPRE had not been corrected in our constitution from when they changed their name.
- f. PR noted that Punch taverns had sold off properties for residential development although stating that it was not their policy.
- g. TH noted that food containers and papers relating to the Ferrybridge had been found discarded on the Ridgeway (Gypsy lane). They had been returned to The Springhead.

12. Date of next meeting – 24th May at Tony Heathershaw. Starting 7.00 pm – note time

Thanks were given to Simon and Dot Emblen for their hospitality. The meeting ended at 9.05 pm.

Minutes agreed and approved



Date

24-5-06