

Minutes of the meeting of the SPS Committee – Monday 11th September 2006 at 68 Sutton Road
Simon Emblen in the chair

1. Apologies –None
2. The minutes of the meeting of 20th July were approved and signed.
3. Matters arising – TH suggested that the Society banner provided by Joyce and Freddi Litschi should be displayed somewhere and suggested the Mission Hall. He will investigate cost of a suitable display case; SE to raise with the Hall management committee..
4. Committee Sub groups
The Mission Hall trust – SE reported that official opening of the hall was performed by Sir Anthony Jolliffe on 18th August with a good crowd in attendance.
The Environmental Partnership – No meeting. SE not able to attend the next meeting – PJ to deputise.
The Community Group – no meeting.
5. Conservation and Environment Working Group Report
TH reported that analysis of the survey data is under way with the assistance of (Dorset Community Action) DCA; three users are inputting data and the trends will be analysed. A public meeting is expected later this year and working groups will be formed to complete the Action Plan and report aimed at completion by spring 07.
TH and PJ attending a Heritage Lottery Group meeting on future funding possibilities on 12th Sep. On 20th Sept they are also meeting a consultant preparing a report for W&PBC on play areas for the borough (sponsored by DCA).
Conservation – TH reported that the stile behind Ken Knight has been replaced. The other two stiles to be replaced are still in discussion with the local landowners.
David Emery has successfully trialed a method of raking the silt and debris from the pond and would appreciate assistance at weekends. JS to ascertain dates and prepare appropriate local adverts.
TH attended the environmental meeting on 23rd Aug at Preston Village Hall relating to Critical Ordinary Watercourses in the Weymouth area. The responsibility for flooding / pollution etc of the minor waterways is being transferred to the environment agency. (Riparian rights and responsibilities are unaffected.) Proposal for the Jordan involved the addition of a 4m high bund in valley towards Osmington to prevent large volumes of water sweeping down the valley in extreme weather conditions. It is assumed that this proposal will eliminate (minimise) flooding downstream (eg in Fisherbridge). Notes of the meeting are available on the W&PBC web site.
PJ has been in contact with the probation service re their support of community projects. The service does work on projects with tools and supervision provided – the end user needs to provide materials, access to toilet facilities and full public liability insurance (PLA). The Village plan has a PLA in place that could be transferred to the Society later. Info has also been passed to the MHT. PJ to circulate info to committee.
6. Planning Matters – PJ reported
– Overdale 06/00505 Erect rear extension (retrospective). Approved
- 116 Sutton Road – SE understands that this is coming before the Planning Committee this week with revised plans. PJ to telephone Jan Farnam for clarification as the original plans are the only ones in the public domain and have been the basis for any public comments.
– SE, JS, PJ attended Bourne leisure PR exercise on their proposal for Seaview improvements. Presentation good, booklet expensive but it is noted that the proposal assumes that the appeal for 30 extra static sites is successful (we have opposed it) and the plan uses a new block of land for touring caravans not previously part of the site (was the old PDSA field). No planning application made – (perhaps use for short period for touring vans does not need planning approval!)
– SE has received a reply to a further letter re the statement reported by Peter Farrell with disparaging comments of the Society. Apparently the chairman of the planning committee has taken legal advice and considers that a public apology is not appropriate from either the committee or the councillor and there is nothing to add to his previous correspondence. The committee decided that having raised the matter with the council planning committee, nothing would be gained by pursuing the matter further.
– SE advised that the new owners of the Springhead appear to be adopting a local pub approach. The trial Sunday carvery appears to be a permanent addition.
7. Social Events
The treasurer reported that the cream teas on 29th July had made an overall profit of £191. The

event was very well attended with tables going in and out of the orchard as the weather varied – luckily the weather improved as the final numbers exceeded the hall capacity.

8. Treasurers Report

The treasurer reported - Subs collected of £99, Cream teas profit £191.85 newsletter £11.50, Hire of hall £6 and village plan costs of £120.44. Funds available show £4422.71 including a balance of £995.56 (£1395.56) held for the Village Plan funding. Report filed.

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

09/09/2006	CPRE	Chairmans letter - Dorset CPRE
08/09/2006	W&PBC	Tel call Fenola re consultation on spaces for study 0161 TH and PJ attending meeting – see minutes above
08/09/2006	Heritage lottery fund	Note Registering JS for presentation
02/09/2006	WCS	Request for input to Oct Newsletter JS to provide short note
02/09/2006	W&PBC	Notes on new house - 116 Sutton road 06/526 SE advises application going to committee this week – see minutes
02/09/2006	DCC	Programme for D History Centre 2006-7 Leaflet distributed
02/09/2006	CPRE	Fieldwork Sept 2006
02/09/2006	CPRE	Renewal of membership - £30 £30 fee agreed – no other action
02/09/2006	Bourne	Booklet on plans for Seaview site
02/09/2006	WCS	Objection to 30 extra caravan sites Seaview
02/09/2006	W&PBC	Notice of public enquiry re 30 extra caravans 21 Nov
02/09/2006	DWT	Magazine - summer 2006
02/09/2006	Heritage lottery fund	Registering PJ and TH for presentation PJ and TH attending on 13th Sep see minutes above
18/08/2006	Heritage lottery fund	Invite to presentation on 12 Sep
18/08/2006	Bourne	Invite to presentation re Seaview site 30 Aug SE, PJ, JS attended
01/08/2006	W&PBC	Advice that Overdales 06/505 approved
25/07/2006	W&PBC	Continuation of complaint on Farrell comments
	W&PBC	re Farrell comments – No public apology appropriate

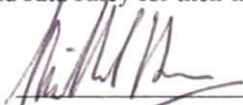
10. AOB

- a. MH enquired on the progress of the pond willows pruning – TH understood that it was still held due to the danger from power cables running through the trees. TB to draft chasing letter to W&PBC.
- b. TH noted that Sutton Poyntz is featured in the current Dorset Life.
- c. JL remarked how attractive the renovations at Blue Shutters were and perhaps we should refer them to the Civic Society for possible award. (Post meeting note – TB to discuss with CS together with 4th house in Jolliffe development, the converted chapel in Sutton Road and the houses at the junction of Sutton Road and Plaisters Lane – Bellamy and Laurel Cottage.)
- d. JL advised of new members in her collection area with a Mrs Phillips expressing interest in an active involvement with the Society. It was suggested that she should be invited to the next meeting – JL to action.
- e. TB commented that he had heard that Mr Seal had sold the local farms – no confirmation at present.
- f. PR noted that people still feed the ducks – the committee considered that there appeared no practical way of dissuading them.
- g. JS asked where the village DVD or video was obtained either as loan or purchase. SE has a copy he could loan – David Broad of Stan Thomas (Pilgrim Cottage) are source for purchase.
- h. SK reported that the Street Fayre has distributed £6000 to 17 charities; MHT received largest share at £1450.
- i. SE noted that the WI donated £200 from their revenue from the recent beach stall.

11. Date of next meeting – 16th Oct at Tony Buglers.

Thanks were given to Peter and Rita Riley for their hospitality. The meeting ended at 9.12 pm.

Minutes agreed and approved



Date

16/10/06