

Minutes of the meeting of the SPS Committee – Monday 3rd Sep 2007
at 'Wyndings' - Simon Emblen in the Chair

1. Apologies – Tony Heathershaw, Mike Haine, G Embley.
Present - Simon Emblen, John Sutherland, Joyce Litschi, Peter Riley, John Bellis, Tony Bugler, Karen Phillips, John Crisp, Peter Jones.
2. The minutes of the meeting of 6th August were approved and signed with amendment to draft - para 10 (£135 not £126).
3. Matters arising: -
 - Continuing:
 - No comments on progress with contacting Mark Fernyhaugh or the new owners re. plaque that had fallen from the Old Court House. It was suggested that this be placed lower than before with the lettering painted in to make it easier to read. TB to pursue.
 - Re additional dog bins. SE advised that he understood that W&PBC will be withdrawing the emptying of dog bins.
 - JL noted that the item 11e which suggested that the “farm labourers cottage” was to be taken by a farmer from Bridport may be in error. A Mr Potter and family have moved in together with goats, chickens, horses and boys. As it was understood that the original planning conditions were that this property should only be occupied by someone working on the land, it was suggested that we should write to the planning department to ascertain the position. (Voted 9 for, 2 against.) – outstanding.
 - Pond car park - No change, remove action from future minutes
4. Committee Sub groups
The Mission Hall trust (SE) – Next meeting soon.
The Environmental Partnership (SE) – Next meeting in Sept – SE unable to attend. No replacement noted.
Civic Society (TB) – TB reported that Blue Shutters had been forwarded to WCS for consideration in their annual awards.
5. Conservation and Environment Working Group Report
Conservation – From an exchange of e-mails, C Dallinson has proposed that his team could cut back the lower branches of the willows around the pond.
Village Plan (VP) - PJ reported that the Village Plan document had been accepted and adopted by the Borough Council (Karyn Punched) and would be included on the W&PBC and DCC web sites. Printing has been ordered and is expected to be complete (50 copies) in October. From the previous SPSC meeting, TH had noted that one amendment to the plan (Community Survey and Action Plan) requested by the W&P Partnership (Louise Stewart) was that an over arching action on the SPS was required to pursue the aims and objectives of the Village Plan as identified in its Action Plan. Next meeting of the Village Plan Steering Group planned for 13th Sep.
PJ to check any copyright implications from copying the Plan.
MH to advise on possible printer source and costs for any additional copies required.
6. JS reported that the hall had been booked for the 19th Sep for a public meeting on the W&PBC Community Plan (CP) and Local Development Framework (LDF) consultation documents. JC had contacted all three local councillors who had expressed their intention of attending. Unfortunately the date selected was not suitable for TH, JC or GE from the committee. All members expressed their thanks for the work from TH in preparing the committee draft response to these papers. All comments from individuals had been incorporated in the final draft provided to the secretary. After considerable discussion it was decided that we would submit the responses (to both the LDF and the CP) directly on behalf of the Society and advise the members via the Notice Board that copies of the response were available from the committee. Members should be advised that there were several public meeting (all outside the area) to discuss the consultation papers. Accordingly we would cancel the arrangements for a public meeting on 19th Sep (voted 7 for 2 against). We should provide a copy of our response to the local councillors with the suggestion that the committee should meet them in the near future to ensure that they were fully aware of our desires for Sutton Poyntz and the maintenance of the conservation area.
7. Liability Insurance
Policy obtained from Upshalls for up to 15 events for at a cost of £150. PJ received confirmation from the chair that the community service used by the Mission Hall came with their own insurance.

8. Planning Matters –
- “No objection” sent re addition of conservatory in Sutton Court Lawns.
 - Correspondence has been received from WDDC confirming rejection of the application for 24 hour 365 day drinks and music licence applied for by Ewelease farm.
 - Application 07/662 to replace the Cart shed with a pair of 3 bed semi with integral garage. Plans show replacement occupies almost exactly the old building footprint, but 1.3m higher. SE noted that the building has always been non-residential. Reply required by 21st – referred to planning sub-committee.
 - With the withdrawal of TH from the committee, PR nominated as a 4th member of the sub committee.
9. Actions to dissuade heavy vehicles from using of Plaisters Lane. Suggestions were to write to DCC (Tim Westwood) re suitable signs and better siting - also a request to apply pressure to persuade Sat Nav systems providers to use appropriate roads for heavy vehicles.
10. Social Events
Cream Teas - Abandoned on 18 Aug 07 due to power cut. After fruitless debate on possible support for a replacement event on the 29th (several members unavailable on that date), it was decided that it was too late in the year for a replacement cream tea event. No decision made on the disposal of materials provided other than to see if the WI could use them.
11. Treasurer’s Report
JB reported receipt of further £122 for subs (currently total £644) and payments of £150 for insurance. SPS had gross funds available of £4011.41, which includes balance of Village Plan funds of £313.61 and £400 set aside for the Village Plan, making net funds available of £3297.80.
12. Correspondence

03/09/2007	W&PBC	reply re Willows around pond, lower branches C Dallinson See above para 5
29/08/2007	W&PBC	reminder re Willows around pond – to C Dallinson
28/08/2007	CPRE	Fieldwork Sep 07
23/08/2007	I Taylor	Note for NB re Yoga courses from Isabell Taylor Posted on NB
16/08/2007	WDDC	Notice of Refusal licence for Ewelease
18/08/2007	CPRE	Notice of subs to be paid by DD Passed to JB
07/08/2007	DWT	Dorset Wildlife Summer 2007 Passed to JL / PR

13. AOB
- TB referred back to the Cart Shed matter and noted that the current street scene was pleasing.
 - JC noted that the Real Directions sign at the Cart Shed junction had the making of a permanent sign and presumably should need planning permission. Note to council required.
14. Date of next meeting – 8th October at **Sutton Lodge** (Tony Bugler).

Thanks were given to Simon and Dorothy Emblen for their hospitality. Meeting ended at 9.35 p.m.

Minutes agreed and approved



Date

15-10-07