

Minutes of the meeting of the SPS Committee – Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Feb 2008  
at 68 Sutton Road - Simon Emblen in the Chair

1. Apologies – John Crisp  
Present - Simon Emblen, John Sutherland, Joyce Litschi, Peter Riley , John Bellis, Mike Haine, G Embley, T Bugler, Karen Phillips, Peter Jones
2. The minutes of the meeting of 21<sup>st</sup> January were approved and signed.
3. Matters arising: -
  - Continuing: - TB having problems with contacting 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.
  - Continuing: - Noted dead trees at Sutton Knapp – who owns? Suggested a letter to W&PBC to notify them of the potential danger! Outstanding
4. Committee reports  
The Mission Hall trust (SE) – No meeting  
The Environmental Partnership (SE) – No report. Not thought to be a productive meeting.  
Civic Society (TB) – TB noted that the WCS continue to be concerned with the activities at Ewelease Farm.  
Victorian Fayre – JS reported the full committee met last Monday and activities are progressing.  
The SPS is expected to run the Tombola stall – a nominee is required to organise and act as the focus. Next general committee meeting on 17 Mar 08
5. Conservation and Environment Working Group Report  
Village Plan (VP) - PJ reported that copies have been distributed to Weymouth and Littlemoor libraries. The plan is also available on the Dorset County Council Web site with a link from the Sutton Poyntz web site.  
Village Plan Action List PJ and JC had provided written views of a way forward to progress the Action List. Of the topics within the list he indicated that some people had already expressed an interest in:  
Crime - PJ and Norman Brown  
Rights of Way, maintenance and marking – Pat Bellis, Ruth Egerton  
Traffic – John Crisp  
Conservation plan – John Crisp  
Wildlife – John Newbould, Dave Emery.  
Archaeology – Dorothy Emblen  
It was agreed that the Village Plan action list should form an agenda item at the AGM.
6. Meeting with local Councillors on 28<sup>th</sup> November – progress of LDF is not known. Post meeting note – it would seem that a Core Strategy is under preparation and will precede the LDF. We should keep aware of the progress of various strategy documents.
7. Coffee morning on 14<sup>th</sup> attended by 41 people. Congratulations were passed to JC and his helpers. All agreed it was a very enjoyable event. Raffle (by TB) and the event raised £71. The cost of cakes was not shown as they had all been donated. (It was noted that materials costs should be offered to donors). There was considerable interest in the art exhibition displayed on the stage. Cream teas date (from last meeting) is Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> July. Organiser will be needed.
8. AGM arranged for 16<sup>th</sup> April. SE and PJ and currently planning to stand down from the committee. All other members were willing to continue. Possible nominee for Chairman is JC; JB and JS willing to continue as treasurer and secretary.  
It was agreed that two topics for discussion at the AGM should be
  - The Village Plan Action List – next actions. To be led by PJ.
  - Going Digital – a talk and Q&A session by David Dunford.
9. Planning Matters  
“Permitted development or No objection” True Blue extension (915), Cob cottage (934) tree works  
“Decision pending” 3 Sutton Close extension (051)  
PR raised the subject of 64 Sutton Road where it would appear that a shed has been erected on what is thought to be agricultural land. PJ to discuss with W&P planning.  
Pavilion site development. When discussed during the consultation phase the committee decided that the divergent views and importance of the development indicated that the committee should encourage members to voice their own opinions. This situation was considered still to be the case

at present – but might well change when the planning application has been submitted.

#### 10. Treasurer's Report

JB reported that a final expense of £15.99 paid to T Heathershaw has closed the Village Plan account with an overspend of £2.38. Other expenses since the last meeting were £13.20 (newsletter), £40 (Christmas Tree); revenue £71.50 (coffee morning), £117.78 (interest). Current balance is £3300.25.

Looking forward to the AGM, JB provided a draft financial report for comment and recommended that subs should not be increased (although he suggested that we should not wait so long next time before increasing the subs).

#### 11. Correspondence

07/02/2008	R Knight	Note of conversation with council workers re Sutton Rd springs <b>Suggested that a major works may close the road for a day – end of March</b>
12/02/2008	WCS	Newsletter 52 Jan/feb <b>Passed to TB – there a note from SPS re Ewelease</b>
14/02/2008	WDDC	cc Letter from WDDC re Ewelease
14/02/2008	Thomas	cc letter re Ewelease to WDDC re mtg on 30 <sup>th</sup> Jan
09/02/2008	W&PBC	Approval Tru Blu 07/915
07/02/2008	W&PBC	Approval Springbank 07/855
05/02/2008	W&PBC	Comments re 08/51 3 Sutton Close

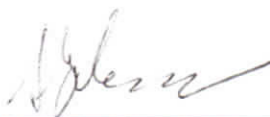
#### 12. AOB

- a. PR asked whether the Society was involved in a potential computer set up for the Village Hall. It was stated to be a Mission Hall matter.
- b. PR asked if we knew why the empty car park at Bowlease was locked. It was suggested that it was a private car park.
- c. PJ noted that the excavation at Lookout alongside the road looked rather dangerous. It was suggested he should contact WDDC to ensure that they were aware of the situation. (Post meeting note – WDDC are aware.)
- d. PJ noted that several people had commented on the problem of deer coming into gardens – he was advising that the only solution appeared to fence.
- e. MH noted that there had been some boisterous youngsters who showed signs of getting out of hand (echoing the comment from JC last meeting). Members were requested to be vigilant to ensure that problems do not occur.
- f. TB remarked that the green wedge looked attractive with the planting undertaken by Mr Rookes.
- g. JL noted that Peter Tambling was perturbed on the parking of vehicles at the building works on the old Brookberry site. No action was proposed.
- h. JL congratulated SE on his service to the SPS with 10 years as treasurer and 3 years as Chirman.

#### 13. Date of next meeting – 7<sup>th</sup> April 08 at **Wyndings** (Simon Emblen).

Thanks were given to Peter and Rita Riley for their hospitality. Meeting ended at 9.45 p.m.

Minutes agreed and approved



Date

7-4-08