

Minutes of the meeting of the SPS Committee – Wednesday 26th August 09
at The Mission Hall – John Crisp in the Chair

1. Present – John Crisp, Graham Embley, John Sutherland, Joyce Litschi, Louise Sheaves, Tony Bugler, Peter Riley.
Apologies – John Bellis, Karen Phillips, Maureen Tepper.
2. The minutes of the meeting of 15th July 09 were approved and signed.
3. Matters arising: -
 - The DVD placed in the MH by PR is still missing – presumed borrowed. Mentioned in the last Newsletter (Aug).
 - KP has confirmed her desire to continue on the SPS committee in spite of difficulty in attending meetings.
 - PR reports that he has taken pictures of the village repeating those in the Village Survey – provided to JC. To be used for a picture board of changes to the village over last 10 years from previous survey in 1999. PR to also capture pictures of other changes over the same period.
 - GE advises that the MHT have not yet registered the orchard with “Peoples trust for endangered species” which is a register of orchards throughout the country (as well as endangered species). The Aug Newsletter indicated, erroneously, that it had been registered.
4. Committee reports
 - The Mission Hall Trust – GE reported that MHT expressed their thanks for any helpers at the BBQ. MHT had held an extra mtg re Fuschia Cottage tree pruning – letter of objection sent.
 - Civic Society – Nothing to report.
 - CPRE – Nothing to report.
 - Weymouth and Portland Partnership – Nothing to report.
5. Social Events
 - The committee expressed their thanks for arrangements by MT and her helpers for the cream teas. Lessons learned – MT e-mail suggested that start time might be later (say 3.00), JS noted that we need to make sure that preparation items like grass cutting are effected before next use of orchard or hall.
 - JC was complemented on the success of the Scarecrow competition and vegetable show.
 - Coffee mornings are to restart in October. Caroline Crisp to contact volunteers. Dates and subsidiary events are:-
 - 2 October – subsidiary event - Pictures (see 3 above).
 - 6 November – subsidiary event - Blacksmith exhibition
 - 4 December – subsidiary event John Williams – Waterworks *Willows*
 - 1 January 2010 – subsidiary event History / heritage (Post meeting - hall may be recovering from 31Jan usage!)
 - 5 February 2010 – subsidiary event tbd
 - 5 March 2010 - subsidiary event tbd
6. Planning Matters

Fuschia Cottage appeal – appeal ref 2103979 - no change known, appeals database unchanged
09/342 Aerial (refused), 09/381 Tree pruning Fuschia cottage – objection - refused, 09/403 13 Verlands Road – no action from committee
09/492 Pruning Pittisporum at Fuschia Cottage. Discussed at extra meeting 24th Aug (apologies from JL, PR, LS).
Application similar to previous 09/381 except different applicant and relates to TPO rather than conservation area.
Following discussion, a draft submission was circulated for final agreement at this meeting
Revisions suggested to the draft were agreed – to be added and sent with copy e-mailed to committee.
7. Paying for committee meetings at the Mission Hall – agreed that offer to be made to MHT to ensure that our booking is not replaced with another paying booking.
8. Publish dates of meetings so anyone could attend. Agreed to publish meeting dates, general attendance to be discussed at next meeting. Hall booked for following dates: Mon 21st Sep (4 – 6pm); Wed 21st Oct (8.00pm); Wed 18th Nov (8.00pm); Wed 16th Dec (8.00pm).
9. Road speed limit - JS advised that a letter had been sent to all 3 local councillors, as requested by committee at previous meetings, requesting assistance with possible introduction of 20MPH speed limit through village. David Mannings replied via telephone and noted that a zone would need a rumble strip or similar at the change of limit. Hazel Bruce sent a letter indicating the process (see correspondence). Committee agreed that JS re-contact the two councillors and request they progress the process.
10. Village ducks Acknowledgement letter to Springhead (requested at last mtg) was delivered on the day the ducks were moved. MT reported that they have been re-sited at West Parley with a family who have a small holding with a duck pond. JL expressed her displeasure that the ducks had gone, as did Barbara Harrison (by letter).
11. Village plan implementation –
 - **History** - Proposed to hire hall for an evening to show what has been done and invite any comments etc. Committee agreed to pay for cost of hall hire. Also exhibit at coffee morning.

- **Crime prevention** – PJ has advised that he is holding a meeting of coordinators on 15 Sep 7.00 at the Springhead
- **Conservation of village character** – planning actions - no other change
- **Rights of Way & Countryside Access** – Group has produced a **leaflet** on walk(s) – plan to sell (20p) at Springhead and Spar.
Interpretation Panel Paused till October - Not discussed.
- **Wildlife Habitats (Biodiversity)** – Aug newsletter on Notice Board
- **Traffic** –Letter re 20mph limit through village – see 9 above.

12. Treasurer's Report – JB unable to attend but sent report. Income of £142 (subs), £148.69 (cream teas), £46.2 (sale of duck eggs), £250 (grant from WW); expenditure £262.95 (biodiversity funding), £225 (leaflet printing), £14.4 (newsletter), £12 (hire of Church rooms). Copy of statement filed.

13. Correspondence

18/08/2009	WW	Notice of planning new sign at Waterworks	Reply required – PM note, e-mail sent
13/08/2009	W&PBC	Plan of house in Verlands 09/408	No action – outside village
13/08/2009	Waves	Acknowledging donation of £300	
15/08/2009	CPRE	CPRE Review and letter re Civic Societys & renewal notice	Notice to be passed to JB
16/08/2009	D Mannings	2nd Tel call re 20 mph letter	Tel call to continue actions required
04/08/2009	H Bruce	Acknowledgement of 20 mph letter	Note to continue actions required
03/08/2009	W&PBC	Notice of temporary footpath changes	
01/08/2009	cpre	Chairmans newsletter	
01/08/2009	DWT	Dorset Wildlife etc	
16/07/2009	W&PBC	approval 09/294 Peveril	
20/07/2009	Springhead	Acknowledgement to 1246 (Ducks not wanted at Springhead)	

14. AOB

JS noted that the lighting in the village is planned to be changed in the near future.
 JS noted that the property opposite him was removing a wall for in / out driveway – no action.
 TB noted that the Civic Society plaque has been reinstated on the old Court House. However, it is not very readable.
 JC noted that Paul Critchell has been requested to install a stock fence on White Horse Hill to control grazing.
 An invite has been received from Dorset Community Village prize giving on 24th Sep. JC and GE to attend.
 JC noted that a footpath previously used by dog walkers and others at the end of Verlands Road has been closed. A Mr McCune is attempting to get it reopened. Agreed that Society should offer their support.

15. Date of next meeting – ~~Wednesday~~ **21st September** at the Mission Hall at 4.00 pm

Monday

Minutes agreed and approved



Date 21/9/09