## Minutes of the Sutton Poyntz Society Committee Meeting of December 14<sup>th</sup> at the Mission Hall

Item no.	Content	Action
1	Present: Bill Egerton; John Crisp; Shirley Davies; Peter Riley; Peter Sheaves; Alan	
	Dawson Hollis; John Bellis	
	Apologies: Tony Bugler, John Sutherland, Dave Martin	
2	Minutes of Previous meeting:	
	Agreed and signed	
3	Matters Arising not listed on the agenda:	
	BE has contacted the Council about the raised drain cover in Mission Hall Lane.	
	He has had no response yet.	
4	Items to be raised under AOB: nil	
5	Committee Reports:	
	Village Fayre: nil	
	Civic Society: nil	
	Mission Hall Trust: No replacement for Anne Dye has yet been found	
	CPRE: nil	
	W&P partnership: nil	
6	Village Events/Activities:	
	i. AGM – Duncan Flint will be speaking on the Olympics.	
	ii. Coffee mornings – January, Chris Hubbard will bring a display on	
	pantomimes.	
	Nothing has been decided for February. The committee were asked to think of	
	ideas. In March, it is hoped to have a display of Street Fayre memorabilia.	
	iii. Question Time – the date has been changed to February 15 <sup>th</sup> to accommodate	
	the panel. Tom Munro, AONB; Prue Bollam, President of the Civic Society and	
	David Evans or another representative from the Planning department have	
	agreed to be panellists. It was felt that two more people should be invited.	
	Names suggested were: Nick Jackson, Chris Hubbard, Dennis Ackroyd, John	
	Croydon, Brian Ellis, Peter Farrell, Ian Bruce, Richard Backwell. After some	BE
	discussion, it was agreed that Brian Ellis and Ian Bruce should be approached	
	first. The event will be publicised in the 'Register', the newsletter, and by poster.	
	Tickets, which will cost $£2.50$ to include a glass of wine, will have a space for	
	questions.	
	The purpose of the evening was raised. Points made were that it is a vehicle to	
	exchange views with others and with our councillors, but importantly it is a fun	
	evening.	
	iv. Carol Service – There was some uncertainty about the recipients of the	BE
	collection on the night. If the Salvation Army are there, it would go to their	
	work, otherwise, probably Weldmar. BE will check with Anthea.	
7	Planning:	
	i. Overcombe Barn – planning permission has been sought to replace the	
	existing conservatory. (BE and SD expressed a conflict of interest and withdrew	
	from the discussion.) It was agreed that the committee has no objections as	
	there would be no significant impact on the view with regards to the AONB.	
	DM is to be asked to respond to the planning application expressing this	DM
	decision.	
	ii. Strategic thinking – The 'sub group' have been through the Society's existing	
	documentation, the village survey and the planning policy. They are adding	
	further ideas and rationalising these documents to be presented in 2012. JC	
	would like to have a 'map' of buildings with dates which would make clear the	BE
	way the village has expanded. BE has one which he will complete as far as	
	possible and give to him.	
	iii. Report on New Local Plan – BE attended the feedback evening where groups	

	were reporting on their deliberations. Conservation areas exist in the current	
	legislation and do not appear to be threatened. They can be re-designated but	
	there are no plans to do so at the present. Open gaps are not enshrined in	
	legislation and they could disappear in the amalgamation of West Dorset and	
	Weymouth and Portland. The working group reported that they felt that they	
	should be retained. The tourism working group made a plea for a more flexible	
	use of the 28 day licence. They asked for flexibility of boundaries of AONB and	
	heritage coastline.	
	There is potential for large scale development north of Littlemoor.	
	BE recommended that the committee look at the 'Dorset for You' website,	
	particularly at the issue of tourism.	
	The Council officers will now write the text for a draft of the plan which will be	
	available for local comment in Summer 2012.	
8	Other Village Matters:	
	i Springhead car park - JS had e mailed latest developments. He has left Iain	
	Stackhouse with his contact details and asked for news of progress.	
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	ii. Red phone box - ADW has had some feedback from the newsletter article.	
	There was discussion about the cost of maintenance, the possibility of needing	
	insurance etc. ADW will confirm the terms and conditions of retaining the box,	
	in case it might prove too costly. The issue will then be presented at the AGM	
	and a hand vote taken.	
	ii. Christmas tree – dealt with	
	iii. Gritting – Thanks to JC for the successful 'fight' to get the bins. It was agreed	
	that it is now down to the people of the village not the Society to report to the	
	council when they are empty. There are unsubstantiated rumours that they will	
	not be filled next year.	
	iv. Trees around the pond – informal advice will be given this week. BE and	
	ADW will meet with the tree expert and report back. The committee can then	
9	discuss the issue and decide an approach to the Council.	
9	Other Village Activity reports:	
	i. History Group – meeting February 8 <sup>th</sup> The focus is the excavations next to	
	Wyndings with Richard Breward a trustee of Dorchester Museum.	
	ii Homewatch - nil	
	iii. Biodiversity – working on hedge clearance and future planting of trees by the	
	waterworks.	
	iv. Website - £20 received from Graham Embley BE will invoice the Spar.	
10	Treasurer's Report:	-
	Gross funds available - £5,528.81	
	Village plan implementation - £233.44	
11	Correspondence:	
	"Waves" thanking the Society for the donation of £300 from the Flower and	
	vegetable show.	
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	Council on public consultation on "Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Site	
	Allocations" Details can be found on <u>www.dorsetforyou.com/travellerpitches.</u>	
1.2	Last date for comments is 10/2/2012	
12	AOB:	
	Village clean-up – ADW has had some positive responses. He has replied to all.	
	The date will be at the end of March.	
	Donkey Park – the roof is now removed, the shed walls still stand. Follow up.	SD
13	Date of next meeting:	
	January 18 2012. 7.30. Mission Hall	