

Minutes of the meeting of the SPS Committee – Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2011  
at The Mission Hall – John Crisp in the Chair

1. Present – John Crisp, John Sutherland, Peter Riley, Bill Egerton, Tony Bugler, John Bellis, Louise Sheaves.  
Apologies – Karen Phillips, Anne Dye.
2. Minutes 19<sup>th</sup> January 2011 were approved and signed with the following amendments. Noted error in para 12 (AOB) - sum donated to Julias House from MHT should have read £30 not £32; also donations shown to Julias House summarised in the Treasurers Report (para 10) as expenditure when it should have been shown as income.
3. Matters arising: - JC has spoken to Peter Hyde re Julias House donation – Peter has presented it to Julias House together with his other donations.
4. Committee reports  
Mission Hall Trust – Their AGM planned for 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb  
CPRE – None  
Civic Society - None  
W&P Partnership – None  
Village Fayre – None
5. Village web site  
BE advised that the web site has the facility to receive e-mails. Some have already been received.  
Sarah Harbige was hoping to use the web site as part of a presentation she was to give – however this seems unlikely as she was planning to run without an internet connection (and the external links would not then function).  
It was suggested that old web pages should be disconnected from the live web site but kept for history.
6. Future events -  
Final Coffee morning this session to be March – catering by LS. Event to be embroidered items from Rita Riley.  
Vegetable show 6<sup>th</sup> August  
Scarecrow competition planned for 20<sup>th</sup> July to 6<sup>th</sup> August.  
Cream teas 30th July  
Question evening 16<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30 to have panel - of Hazel Bruce, Peter Chapman, David Mannings, Dennis Ackroyd and Chris Hubbard; they will answer questions submitted earlier by the audience. JC to Chair. All confirmed attendance. JC has printed 60 tickets (at £1.50) and distributed to committee. The bottom of the ticket (a tear off strip) for the submission of any question to be returned to the chairman to select and order questions in a logical sequence. Posters being produced.  
AGM 20<sup>th</sup> April. Proposed Chairman BE, potential Secretary and committee members to be approached; possibilities suggested were Cheryl / Grant (Leighton?), Pam / Alan Dawson Hollis, Dave / Mo Morris. JC has approached Simon Grant Jones to speak at the AGM. LS to organise refreshments. LS and JS have noted that they will stand down from the committee at the AGM.
7. Letter received detailing the determination at the Licensing Sub committee re application 10/01491/LAPRE for Northdown Farm. The process of appeal was noted and the possible costs involved should costs be awarded.  
It was noted that the licence decision had refused live or recorded music on the premises whilst awarding the licence to sell alcohol for 30 days of the calendar year. Concern was expressed on the camping expected to occur this summer according to the published web site.  
It was agreed by the committee not to appeal (TB opposed) against the issue of the licence. It was thought likely to be counter-productive as the significant factors raised against the project all related to camping and were not licensing issues. In addition it was considered that an appeal could well allow the question of music to be reviewed again – with possible approval resulting in the Magistrates court. It was noted that the dates planned for camping use at Northdown Farm (7<sup>th</sup> July to 3<sup>rd</sup> Aug) are different on their web site to that indicated by Peter Broach at the recent public meeting.  
It was debated whether a further public (or Society) meeting should be held but the committee view was that it was not appropriate even though the Licensing officer had suggested she would be willing to attend if desired.  
It is understood that our local councillors are very unhappy at the proposed activities at Northdown Farm. JC advises that his discussions with a number of people have indicated that an Article 4 Directive is most unlikely to be requested – he indicated that none appear to have been issued since the 50s(?). It also appears that compensation to the landowner may be claimed following the removal of permitted development rights.  
It was decided that we should actively monitor any changes to Northdown Farm – both now and when any camping might start - and note dates and details as appropriate. It was suggested that local dog walkers were likely to be the best source; proposed that input should be sought from Anne Dye, Maureen Morris, Richard Porter, Ros Evans. Any complaints should be co-ordinated by JC and monitored to ensure that they are registered with the correct bodies. JC to ascertain where any complaints should be logged.  
It was suggested that Mr Munro (Dorset AONB Manager) should be consulted regarding any impact on the AONB or possible environmental study.  
No reply received yet on removal of hedge along White Horse Lane.  
Details not yet available on Myrtle Cottage planning application 11/115 – to be progressed when details available.

8. Other village matters

Additional Springhead carpark – E-mail from Tom Harvey of TLT Solicitors advises Punch not to waste any further resources – they had a previous claim refused by the Land Registry. JS advised that he had obtained some details of Devenish Brewery and suggested writing to the Director who had signed the Directors report. JC requested that the draft letter be reviewed by BE prior to sending. JS also advised that contacts of Margaret Brown had suggested that we might get further information from the solicitors who transacted the sale of the Springhead from Groves and Sons and suggest we spoke to Mr Meakins of Pengillys. JC stated that he knew a Chris Berry from the company who lived in Old Granary and he would speak to him first.

Gritting roads – JS reported on e-mail correspondence with H Bruce – she is awaiting a reply.

9. Other Village activities reports –

- **History group** – Public meeting being planned for 30<sup>th</sup> March 2011. JS has request from P Jones for 2 tickets.
- **Crime** – Nothing new.
- **Wildlife Habitats (Biodiversity)** – Latest group newsletter on the Notice Board.

10. Treasurer’s Report – Income of £8 (subs), £52.50 (Coffee morning), £8.52 interest – expenditure – £14.40 (printing), £70 (Julias House). Net funds £4883.79 available (plus £649.60) funding for Village Plan implementation) Copy of statement filed.

11. Correspondence

16/02/2011	W&PBC	Notice of determination – licence	<b>Filed</b>
13/02/2011	H Bruce	e-mail re gritting	<b>Await further correspondence</b>
13/02/2011	Devenish	Springhead carpark query	<b>Passed to BE for comments</b>
13/02/2011	WCS	Newsletter feb 2011	<b>Passed to TB</b>
13/02/2011	AONB	cc of correspondence L Brierley / AONB	<b>Filed</b>
13/02/2011	Co register	Details from Companies register of Devenish	<b>Filed</b>
30/01/2011	P Chapman	e-mail Stewardship of land - Springhead	<b>Filed</b>
27/01/2011	T Harvey	e-mail re Stewardship of land - Springhead	<b>Filed</b>
26/01/2011	R Drax	Reply to licensing copy letter	<b>Filed</b>
21/01/2011	WCS	copy of their letter to Licensing re 10/01491	<b>Filed</b>
21/01/2011	W&PBC	Notice of Licensing meeting 3 Feb 2011	<b>Filed</b>
20/01/2011	J Allen	Request for funds for street party	<b>Approved in principle at last meeting</b>

12. AOB.

JB noted that Richard Backwell is planning to arrange a “water event” later this year and asked if he could organise it under the auspices of the Society. JB to check that our insurance would not be invalidated.

JC asked whether we should invite the planners to view Mission hall Lane to see the results of their decisions over the last few years. Committee decided against it. Suggested we might invite them to the cream teas.

Date of next meetings –

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2011 – Quiz night at the Mission Hall at 7.30 pm

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2011 – for AGM at the Mission Hall at 7.30 pm

Then future dates booked are 18 May, 15 June, 20 July 17 Aug, 21 Sept, 19 Oct, 16 Nov, 21 Dec.

Minutes agreed and approved \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_