

Sutton Poyntz Society

Minutes of Committee Meeting held on 26th April 2011.

The Chairman welcomed the new members of the committee.

Those present:

Bill Egerton, (Chairman), David Martin, Peter Sheaves, Anne Dye, John Crisp, Peter Riley, John Bellis, Alan Dawson Hollis, John Sutherland, Tony Bugler, and Karen Phillips.

Secretary

As a Secretary was not elected at the recent AGM the Chairman asked for volunteers for the various secretarial tasks. The outcome was as follows:-

Correspondence – Bill Egerton on a temporary basis for three months.

Minutes – to seek a volunteer on a meeting by meeting basis, John Crisp for this meeting.

Newsletter – John Crisp will produce the next edition during May.

Website maintenance – Alan Dawson Hollis and Karen Phillips.

Membership list – John Bellis

Planning – David Martin agreed to monitor the W&P website on a weekly basis. John Crisp agreed to comment on applications to W&P planning dept. On behalf of the society using the process developed over the previous three years. The email address to be used will be a SP Society email address held as part of the website.

Distribution of Newsletters and Collection of Subscriptions – Karen Phillips, Anne Dye Peter Riley and John Crisp agreed to continue with their current areas. Peter Sheaves agreed to take over the lower part of Plaisters Lane, Bill Egerton will ask Mike Haine, Wyn Palfreyman and Christine Gates if they are happy to continue.

Representatives on other organisations

Mission Hall – Anne Dye will continue

CPRE – Bill Egerton will ask Peter Jones if he will continue

Crime Prevention - Bill Egerton will ask Peter Jones if he will continue

Civic Society – Tony Bugler will continue

W&P Partnership – John Crisp will continue

Village Fayre – David Martin

Website Group – Bill Egerton

History and Biodiversity Groups – to continue as at present, Bill Egerton to be formal point for external correspondence.

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Agreed as a true and accurate record

Matters Arising

None

Planning

Trees at Littlecot – reported that trees have been felled in the garden at Littlecot. Agreed to write (Action with Bill Egerton) to the W&P trees officer and ask for confirmation that the trees were felled in accordance with permissions.

Camping at Northdown Farm – the committee welcomed the draft Article 4 submission produced by Bill Egerton. Agreed that the draft needs to be kept generally within the committee until all other relevant parties have been consulted. The case for an Article 4 Direction consists of two arguments. First, degradation of the AONB. Camping will cause visual degradation, even though camping is intended for a limited time the degradation will be in existence for that time. The second argument is safety of access. The committee agreed that getting the approach to seeking an Article 4 Direction was more important than trying to rush a submission before camping starts. Our local councillors will be asked to meet with representatives of the committee (Peter Riley, David Martin, and John Crisp) as soon as possible after the local elections. Bill Egerton will contact the W&P lead planner – David Evans, and Bill Egerton and John Crisp will consult with the Osmington Society.

The next Newsletter will list the contact names and telephone numbers for reporting activity on the Northdown Farm land. It will also advise residents to report any accidents or safety issues. Contacts in W&P are: Planning Legal Section (Jane Foxley), Planning Enforcement (Neil Duckham), Environmental Health, and Director Planning (David Evans). People will be encouraged to provide photographs of any activity on the site to the Society for recording on the Website. Photographs placed on the Website are date stamped. Agreed on this occasion to provide copies of the Newsletter to non members in Winslow and Verlands Road.

Springhead Car Park

John Sutherland outlined the history of the Springhead Car Park for the benefit of the new committee members. Agreed to leave this project in John Sutherland's hands and to await his recommendation for future action.

Events

Village Walks – Bill Egerton will ask Richard Backwell about walks this year.

Cream Teas, Scarecrows, and Vegetable Show to be discussed at the next meeting.

Any Other Business

Rectory Garden Party – agreed that Anne will provide the contents for a raffle prize hamper for approximately £20.

Actions from the AGM – willow trees at the pond; clearing round the village; the cart at the Springhead, all to be discussed at the next meeting.

Notice Board – keys to be transferred to Bill Egerton and Peter Riley.

To note that the trees along the Millenium Walk are the responsibility of the Society not Wessex Water.

Bank Signatories – agreed to retain three signatories.

Date of Next Meeting

Suggested Thursday 19th May, Bill Egerton to confirm location and time.