Minutes of Sutton Poyntz Society Committee meeting on Thursday 16th June 2011 at The Springhead

Item No.	Content	Action
1	Present.	
	Bill Egerton (Chair), John Sutherland, Tony Bugler, Anne Dye, Alan Dawson-Hollis, Peter Sheaves and John Bellis	
	Apologies	
	Peter Riley, Karen Phillips, John Crisp, Dave Martin and Shirley Davies	
2	Minutes of previous meeting.	
	Agreed as an accurate record.	
3	Matters arising not included on the agenda.	
	It was agreed that Shirley Davies should join the committee and she has agreed to be the Society's secretary.	Shirley Davies
	Bank signatories would now be Bill Egerton, John Ballis, John Sutherland and Shirley Davies.	John Bellis
	Trees round village pond. No action taken.	John Crisp
	Memorial bench. The requester has been advised that the Mission Hall garden maybe a better location and she has gone back to the family to consult with them. Mission Hall permission will need to be obtained.	
	Village clean up. Sara Knight to be asked to organise. The cart, except the wheels, has been tidied.	Bill Egerton
4	Items for AOB.	
	As listed below.	
5	Committee Reports.	
	Garden Party. Taking place this coming weekend, 11.00-15.00.	
	CPRE. The hot topic for discussion within CPRE is localism.	
	Civic Society. Nothing to report. However they may support the article 4 submission, see item on Northdown Farm camping.	
	W & P partnership. Nothing to report.	
	Village Fayre. Nothing to report.	
	Mission Hall Trust. Nothing to report.	
6	Village activities.	

	Homewatch. The report did not get into the newsletter. Will be a major security feature in the next issue.	Newsletter writer
	Web site. No action, but maybe a problem with the mapping features, Checks needed.	Bill Egerton
	History Group. Caroline Crisp has agreed to chair this group.	
	Biodiversity Group. A grant has been received to renovate a further section of hedge in the field adjacent to the stream.	
7	Planning.	
	Northdown Farm camping. A long discussion took place on this issue which is summarised here. Peter Broatch has carried out works to the site water supply and the road entrance which the Council states are legal. In addition work has been carried out to the track, clarification to be obtained if this is acceptable. Bill had a meeting with David Evans (W&P planning) who stated that it would be difficult to prove anything until after the camping has taken place. He is aware of the content of the draft article 4 submission. Suggests submitting the article 4 document when the camping has finished and before any additional expenditure by Peter Broatch. When the document is submitted David will produce a report for the various committees for discussion before a decision is taken.	Bill Egerton
	Bill and John Crisp had a meeting with David Mannings and Teresa Seall (W&P and West Dorset councillors), again they preferred to wait to submit the article 4 document to reduce the threat of a compensation claim. Some members of the committee disagreed with waiting to submit the document, indeed, felt it should have been submitted a couple of months ago as we were not representing the views of the village. Also, members of the committee were disappointed with the very limited action taken by AONB.	
	A letter has been received by 3 members of the community expressing their disappointment at the Societies action on this issue. Bill made the point that all our efforts are to try and get the best outcome for the village following the advice given.	
	It was agreed that the article 4 document should be submitted next week which would allow the council to carry out any necessary investigative work necessary to support their reports and consult with other Bodies including the AONB. If we have any supplementary information to submit after the camping has finished this can be done later in the summer.	
	The submission should be made to W&P Council and a copy, with summary, sent to Richard Drax. A decision on whether to involve the Echo was left open. There was some discussion on whether to reimburse a share of the legal	Bill Egerton
	costs incurred on this topic by the three community members. The Treasurer requested copies of the paperwork, and the decision was deferred until the next meeting.	All

	Tree felling at Littlecot. The council has stated that the tree felling was legal. Council to be written to enquire on the legal bases of that decision.	Bill Egerton
	3 Sutton Close tree felling. No action.	
	4 The Puddledocks. The committee had received some representations from members regarding this application, particularly with regard to materials to be used. We should write to the planning department stating that appropriate materials for a conservation area should be used.	Bill Egerton
8	Other village matters.	
	Springhead carpark. Still being worked on and John Sutherland will inform the committee of progress in due course.	John Sutherland
	Road gritting facilities. John Crisp has been in touch with Hazel Bruce but has not yet received a reply.	John Crisp
9	Future events.	
	Cream teas. Bill to review.	Bill Egerton
	Village walks. Richard Blackwell will be organising.	
	Scarecrow competition. Will be organised by Dave Martin	Dave Martin
	Vegetable show. Will be organised by Peter Sheaves.	Peter Sheaves
10	Treasurer's report.	
	Copy of the report was distributed at the meeting.	
	The biodiversity group has requested £59 to purchase a display stand. Agreed that this should be purchased for the village as it would also be useful for other events.	John Bellis
	Committee members distributing the newsletter should continue to obtain subscription monies from members. John to produce a flier for use with those hard to reach people.	John Bellis
11	Newsletters.	Anne Dvo
	A new logo to be worked on by Anne Dye and Alan Dawson-Hollis. Any ideas please send them for consideration.	Anne Dye Alan Dawson- Hollis
12	Correspondence.	
	Letter received from BOAT (Byways Open to All Traffic) which should be reviewed.	Bill Egerton
13	AOB.	
	Bus Stop. Agreed that it's not pretty. Should we ask if it can be changed, although concern was expressed about loosing the service? Now there are two bus stop signs with the old one on private land. Council to be contacted	

	to enquire if permission was needed to erect such a sign within the Conservation Area.	
14	Date of next meeting.	
	The date of the next meeting is the 20 th of July2011 in the Mission Hall	All
	Provisional dates for future meetings are: 17 th August, 21 st September, 19 th October, 16 th November and 21 st	
	December.	

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