

**Minutes of the Sutton Poyntz Society Committee Meeting of February 20th 2013
at the Mission Hall.**

Item no.	Content	Action
1	<i>Present:</i> Bill Egerton; (chair); John Bellis ; John Crisp; Peter Riley; John Sutherland; Shirley Davies. <i>Apologies:</i> Sue Wintle; Mike Blee; Peter Sheaves	
2	<i>Minutes of Previous meeting</i> Amendment: item 7i Bruce, not Brice Agreed and signed.	
3	<i>Matters Arising not listed on the agenda:</i> i. BOAT – BE had received some submissions after the meeting. No press release was issued. ii. Village Bus service, threatened closure – “Dial a Bus” and Community Bus Services have been investigated but it was felt that they would not help most villagers. A meeting is to be held on 23/2 with Ian Bruce, representation from ‘First’ and Richard Drax. The committee agreed that no action should be considered until after that.	
4	<i>Items to be raised under AOB:</i> nil	
5	<i>Committee Reports:</i> i. Mission Hall - its Safari supper was deemed a great success. The amount raised was not known ii. Civic Society - Newsletter circulated. The Society is changing to a charitable trust. JS may be able to attend the last AGM of the Society in its present form, on March 18 th .	
6	<i>Village Events/ Activities:</i> i. Wine Tasting.- The evening had proved to be very enjoyable with a good turn out and approximately £180 being raised. BE has thanked Jack de Carteret. If the event is held again, it was felt that there should be a greater range of wine and seating should be at tables. ii. Summer walk – The date has been planned and further details will follow. iii Scarecrow competition – BE will ask Dave Martin if he can organize this again. iv. Vegetable show – JC will ask PS if this is booked. v. Cream teas – Possible date is July 20 th . vi AGM – Mark Tewkesbury has confirmed his attendance and he hopes to bring an Officer with him. BE hopes to ‘walk the village’ with him before the meeting. It is hoped that he will speak on national initiatives which may affect decisions to be made by the Council. Questions will be invited in advance of the meeting. Notices will be put up around the village. The newsletter has already given notice of the date. More volunteers are needed for the committee.	BE JC
7	<i>Planning:</i> i. 119 Sutton Rd. – no plans on site yet. ii .New local plan – Link to details on the proposals for building on the southeast edge of Dorchester had been circulated. It was felt that there was no need to make representation on this.	
8	<i>Other Village Matters:</i> i. Springhead car park – The committee agreed that it is willing to pay agent’s fees. We may be getting close to a positive conclusion on this matter. To ensure there is as little delay as possible, JC will speak to his contact to get advice on what corporate body is best suited and to get advice on insurance. He will also seek advice about registration. The composition of this body will be considered at a later date. ii. Trees around pond – Awaiting response from Council.	

	iii Saunders bench – The timber has been ordered at a cost of £100. Several members of the committee agreed to help in the renovation.	
9	<i>Other Village Activity reports:</i> i. Homewatch – nil ii Website – BE upgrading software. iii History – nil iv Biodiversity – Work is underway behind the waterworks. Talks are going ahead with Wessex Water about the possibility of opening up some of the woodland. There is no public access at the present.	
10	<i>Treasurer's Report:</i> Gross Funds: £5,418.93 Village plan: £128.78 Net Funds: £5,290.15 Julia's House had written to thank the Society for the donation.	
11	<i>Correspondence</i> Civic Society newsletter	
12	<i>AOB:</i> nil	
13	<i>Date of next meeting:</i> 20/3/13 7.30 Mission Hall	

Minutes agreed and approved :

Date: