

THE WARNHAM SOCIETY

Minutes of the 120th Meeting of the Committee held at Sands on Monday

19th September 2005

Present: Mr Bousfield, Mrs Dales, Mr Elliott, Mr Purcell and Mrs Thornton

Chairman of this Meeting: Mrs Dales

1. Apologies for Absence. Mr Jones, Mr King, Mr Knight, Mrs Rees & Mr Rogers

2. The agenda proposed by Mrs Dales was approved

3. Minutes of the 119th meeting were approved, after one minor amendment, and signed by Mrs Dales

4. Matters Arising:

4.1 Traffic Management Scheme (Mr Purcell). The exhibition in the Parish Room attracted about 100 people over 20 of whom made written comments, largely favourable. One major concern was the need for a 40 mph limit on the Broadbridge Heath Rd., which is being conveyed to WSCC for their consideration.

WSCC will now survey affected roads and develop detailed drawings to carry the project forward

4.2 Parish Plan (Mr Purcell): Arrangements have been made for the assembly of questionnaires into envelopes and their distribution to Parish households. Sufficient volunteers have come forward to carry out this substantial operation

5. Treasurer's Report (Mrs Dales for Mrs Rees): The bank balance stands at £422.35. Mr Boud has agreed to audit our accounts again

6. Membership (Mrs Dales for Mr Rogers): Mr Rogers has written an article on the Society's activities and sent it for publication in the Warbler

7. Planning (Mr Purcell):

Lower Chickens Farm: It was agreed that the proposed addition of a conservatory to this listed building was inappropriate. Mr Purcell will ask Mrs Rees to write to HDC expressing our reservations

8. AGM and Autumn Meeting (Mrs Dales). The meeting will be a joint one with the Warnham Historical Society (Chairman Mr Hamer). Mr Jeremy Knight, Curator of Horsham Museum, will speak on local resident Captain Pilfold and his part in the Battle of Trafalgar.

As Mr Knight does not require a fee Mrs Dales will discuss a possible gift with Mr Hamer on a cost sharing basis.

Arrangements:

- a. Publicity (Mrs Dales). An article and poster have been sent to the Warbler
- b. Speaker's Microphone (Mr Bousfield): If suitable kit becomes available it will be tested beforehand in the Village Hall
- c. Committee's Report to Members (Mrs Dales). Those members who have not paid this year's subscription will receive a written reminder. Village delivery of Reports will be carried out by Mrs Thornton Committee Members who are available for envelope filling should contact Mrs Dales
- d. Nominations for the Committee. Marion Stockley has agreed to stand, other nominations would be welcome Committee members willing to stand for re-election at the AGM are asked to advise Mrs Dales asap
- e. Chairing the Meeting. Mrs Dales will ask Mr King to chair the AGM and Mr Hamer to chair Mr Knight's presentation including the vote of thanks
- f. Meeting Minutes: Mrs Dales will produce a proforma for use by Mr Elliott in taking the minutes
- g. Membership Table. To be manned by Mr Jones, Mrs Rees and Mr Rogers, as appropriate
- h. Accounts for 2004/5. Mrs Rees will provide at meeting
- i. Set Up and Reinstate Hall. All Committee hands on deck at 7 pm
- j. Wine. Mr Elliott
- k. Coffee. Mrs Thornton

9. Spring Meeting 2006 (Mrs Dales). Mr Bridges will be approached about the possible format and date for a field meeting on an April Saturday If a feasible arrangement emerges the response of members will be sought at the AGM

10. Correspondence (Mrs Dales). The following were put on circulation to the Committee –

–GACC Newsletter No.81

–CPRE Newsletter

-A Summary of the Horsham's Society's debate on the future of Gatwick Airport

-Minutes of the NWSFSAS meeting of representatives attended by Mr Bousfield on

5th Sept. 2005. Mr Elliott agreed to attend the next meeting on Monday 7th November

11. Any Other Business:

11.1 HDCLDF (Mr Purcell). The final version goes before HDC for approval on 27th September 2005. An Examination in Public is the next major stage with adoption about 2 years hence

11.2 Defect Reporting. (Mr Elliott). Such things as malfunctioning street lights, damaged signs etc. should be reported so that corrective action is taken. Reports should be made to any member of the Parish Council or its Secretary. Mr Purcell advised that the WPC litter warden reports defects when he finds them. The Warnham Web Site when operational could be a possible and convenient way of reporting. Mr Purcell will pursue the publication of a reminder on reporting defects to WPC in the Warbler

11.3 Committee Meeting Venues: Mrs Rees has suggested that it may be beneficial to hold meetings at different venues. This suggestion will be discussed at the next meeting

11.4 An unpleasant odour at the junction of Church St. & Hollands way was reported by Mrs Thornton, Mr Purcell took note

12. Next Meeting. Thursday 10th November 2005 at Sands, 7.15 for 7.30 pm. Mrs Dales will ask Mrs Rees if she will chair the meeting. The Committee agreed with an observation by Mr Purcell that our principal, current commitment into 2005/6 will be the preparation of the Design Statement element of the Parish Plan, after receipt of the analysis by HDC of the questionnaire responses.

Mrs Dales was than thanked for chairing the meeting and for her hospitality