

## THE WARNHAM SOCIETY

Minutes of the 130th Meeting of the Committee held at Marches Barn, Winterfold on Thursday 19th April 2007

Present. Mr Bousfield, Mr Brand, Mr Elliott, Mr King, Mr Knight. Mr Purcell, Mrs Rees and Mrs Stockley

Chairman of this meeting: Mr King

**OBITUARY: The Committee noted with sadness the death of Richard Overton, founder member and first Hon. Secretary of the Society**

1 Apologies for Absence: Mr Jones

2. The Agenda proposed by Mr King was accepted with the addition of one item

3. The Minutes of the 129th Meeting were approved

Matters Arising:

–Mr Purcell reported that an expected meeting to discuss Warnham related traffic concerns between the WPC and a Mr Coote of WSCC has not taken place

–Mr Bousfield reported that the Spring Meeting was advertised in the April Warbler, but not in the March edition. It may appear in the May edition

4. Treasurer's Report (Mrs Rees): The bank balance stands at £601.22. Payments are due to the FSAS for our annual subscription renewal, £25, and for renewal of our indemnity insurance, £125, both of which were approved

5. Membership: Mr Purcell identified two Warnham households who were potential members of the Society and who could join at the Spring Meeting

6. Warnham Parish Council (Mr Purcell). As there are 10 candidates for 11 places there will be no election in 2007. Applications will be sought through advertisement to fill the remaining vacancy

7. Planning Matters (Mr Purcell):

7.1 LDF: WSCC has concerns about HDC's road plans for the Broadbridge Heath housing development

7.2 Minerals & Waste Management: The BIFFA site at Leicester was visited to see ball mill and anaerobic digestion equipment in operation. The installation at the Brookwood site should be three times as large to cope with the expected throughput, a meeting is taking place there on Monday 23rd April to discuss outstanding questions, at which the Committee will be represented. Questions include plant reliability, the logic of locating a plant on the periphery of its service area, traffic volumes and changing technology.

7.3 Warnham Lodge Farm: the application to change a condition of use has been turned down

7.4 Goose Green Barn: The application to build a stable block has been turned down

8. Parish Design Statement & Parish Plan (Mr Purcell). An initial meeting on the PDS has been arranged for Tuesday 8th May in the Village Hall at 7pm for a group of 7–8 volunteers including Committee & Society members. Mr Rowley of HDC has been invited to attend. At the meeting officers will be elected and a way forward developed. The WPC will soon be assigning actions to its members to implement the Parish Plan. It was agreed that the Committee should examine how it could take on some of this work. Accordingly, members were asked to review the Plan's implementation content to identify those elements to which the Society could contribute, for discussion at its next meeting on 14th June

9. Traffic Management Scheme (Mr Purcell):

9.1 The police have identified a location in Bell Road for the deployment by volunteers of the device for displaying vehicle speeds. The Committee hopes that when the police comes to train the users they will identify other vulnerable locations for its use

9.2 The criteria used to determine speed limits on rural roads are due to be relaxed which should make it easier to secure 20, 30 & 40 mph limits

10. Amalgamation with the Warnham Historical Society. Mr King apologised for the lack of progress. He will speak to Mr Hamer before the Spring Meeting so that a statement of intent can be made at the Meeting, as appropriate. This would be followed by the drafting of a new Constitution and the resolution of other issues needed to achieve a successful amalgamation culminating with their submission as proposals to Society Members at the AGM for their approval

11. Spring Meeting Logistics:

- notifying Members of the Meeting ( organised after the meeting)
- preparation & distribution of posters. Mr Purcell
- open Village Hall at 7pm and lock at close of Meeting Mr Brand
- attend at 7pm to lay out chairs etc and to restore hall:Committee
- if unable to attend advise Mr Bousfield or Mr King. All
- liaise with Mr Birch before and during the Meeting,arrange payment of his fee; Mr King
- supply and install extension lead. Mr Bousfield
- membership & subscriptions: Mr Jones & Mrs Rees (Mr Brand to deputise if required)
- coffee etc.: Mrs Stockley
- wine etc.: Mr Knight (confirmed)
- introduce speaker, pay tribute to Richard Overton and announce proposed amalgamation with WHS:Mr King & Mr Hamer
- chair discussion:Mr Bousfield
- vote of thanks to be agreed

12. Any Other Business: Mr Purcell put correspondence on circulation. No one wished to attend the FSAS AGM

13. Date and Venue of next Meeting:Thursday 14th June 2007 at 7 School Hill, Warnham,715 for 7.30pm, Mr Bousfield to chair. Mr King was thanked for chairing the meeting and Mrs Stockley was thanked for her hospitality