

THE WARNHAM SOCIETY

Minutes of the 134th (Special) Committee Meeting held at 7 School Hill on Wednesday 21st November 2007

Present: Mr Bousfield, Mr Brand, Mrs Bridges, Mr Elliott, Mr Hamer, Mr King, Mr Knight, Mr Purcell, Mrs Rees & Mrs Stockley

Chairman of this Meeting: Mr King

1. Apologies for Absence: None

2. The Agenda proposed by Mr King was agreed

3. Proposed Closure of the Warnham Post Office. After discussion, it was agreed that Mr King would write a letter on behalf of the Society to the PO Consultation Team expressing our concerns about the proposal, he will circulate a draft for Committee Members' comments. The letter will draw on an "Action in Rural Sussex" document and other issues identified by Members.

4. Constitution of the Merged Societies: Further amendments were agreed to the Constitution endorsed at the 2007 AGM. Mr Elliott will publish a revised version. Mr Purcell will arrange for its display on the parish website. He will also arrange an entry in the Warbler announcing the merger of the two Societies

5. Consolidation of Funds of the Merged Societies: Mr Hamer will write a letter to Pam Spencer, the last Treasurer of the WHS, authorising her to close the WHS's two accounts and to transfer the funds to The WS's account. Any money due to Pam Spencer will be paid as an honorarium from the consolidated funds. The WHS membership list was passed to Mrs Stockley for attention

6. Appointment of Officers for 2007–2008: The serving Officers were reappointed, namely:

- Joint Chairmen. Mr Bousfield & Mr King
- Secretary & Correspondence Secretary: Mr Purcell
- Treasurer. Mrs Rees
- Membership Secretary. Mrs Stockley
- Minute Secretary. Mr Elliott

7. Meetings 2008: Provisional dates were agreed for the Spring & Autumn meetings as Thurs. 8th May & Thurs 23rd Oct. Mr Bousfield agreed to try to reserve the Village Hall, subject to no clash with Church services. A proposal to hold a third meeting was not endorsed

8. Any Other Business: Mr Bousfield expressed concern at the lack of available amplification for speakers (human) in the Village Hall. Mrs Rees will speak to the Booking Secretary about using the installed system. The planned improvements to the hall offer another opportunity, as does sharing the Flower Club's recently purchased equipment

9. Date & Venue of Next Meeting: Thursday 10th January 2008 at Marches Barn, 7.15 for

7.30, Mr Bousfield to chair. Mr King was thanked for chairing the Meeting, as was Mr Purcell for his hospitality