

THE WARNHAM, SOCIETY

Minutes of the 145th Meeting held at 7 School Hill on Thursday 14th May 2009

Present. Mr Brand Mrs Bridges, Mr Elliott, Mr Hamer, Mr King, Mr Knight & Mr Purcell

Chairman of this Meeting. Mr Hamer

1. Apologies for Absence. None

2. Approval of the Agenda. Mr Hamer's suggested agenda was approved

3. Minutes of Last Meeting. (No. 144, 9th April 2009)

3.1. The Minutes were approved

3.2 Matters Arising are included in the Agenda

3.3 There is no correspondence

4. Treasurer's Report. The bank balance is unchanged at £947.69

5. Membership Secretary's Report (Mrs Bridges). A substantial number of subscriptions remain unpaid. It was subsequently agreed, see Minute 11, that a reminder note to those who haven't paid would be included in the letter from the Chairmen inviting Members to the Spring meeting, the poster published in The Warbler will also be included. Mrs Bridges will prepare the letters and pass those for village delivery to Mr Purcell, to be assisted by Committee members.

6. Expenditure Review. Before the Committee decides on subs, for 2009/2010 it will canvass Members views at the Spring meeting. Mr Elliott reported that we may not have to pay the 2009 sub to the FoSAS local branch

7. Planning Matters (Mr Purcell).

7.1 Traffic Management. A sign is due to be erected at the entry to Northlands Road advising that it's unsuitable for HGVs

7.2 Broadbridge Heath Development. No decision has been made by HDC on a planning application by the developer in respect of the area West of the A24

7.3 Parish Plan/PDS: WPC has reviewed progress in implementing the Plan. About 90% of planned actions are underway. Action in Rural Sussex is being contacted to determine how it can help in identifying local societies needs and how they might be met

7.4 Waste Management. Biffa's revised planning application is imminent. The Society's concern is not with the site's technology but with the volume of traffic needed to service the site

7.5 Warnham Courts Deer Park WPC has no objection to Mr Lucas's wish to rationalise the routing of footpaths, but would want the proposed cycle path to be included Mr Lucas is responsible for securing planning permission

8. Standards Board. Mr King will circulate a draft letter to the Standards Board seeking a response to our letter of 13th Dec 2008

9. Celebration of the Society's 25th Anniversary. Mrs Bridges will continue to progress with Field Place Press the possibility of republishing Ron Muggeridge's "Warnham - A History "in possible co-operation with the Society.

WPC supports the publication of footpath maps and is willing to underwrite the costs entailed. Ordnance Survey will allow free use of their maps subject to meeting certain conditions. Initial thinking is that four or five paths should be identified, preferably with the help of local enthusiasts, including Committee Members. Mr Hamer and Mr Purcell agreed to carry the project forward

10. Warnham Village Hall (Mr Knight). The next Management Committee meeting is on the 25th May, the AGM is on the 1st July. Another decorating day is planned. The planning application for the hall's redevelopment is work in progress, its financing remains to be resolved. Attendance is planned at a meeting organised by Action in Rural Sussex on running village halls.

Mr King will write to Mr Ritchie seeking the Society's admission to the list of Village organisations entitled to have a Member on the Committee of Management

11. Spring Meeting and AGM/Autumn Meeting 2009. The Spring Meeting will take place on Thursday 18th June, 7.30 for 8.00pm. Logistics are as follows:

- three speakers confirmed

- procure keys, RP

- invitations to Members, see Minute 5 above

- memberships subs., EB

- wine etc., QK

- coffee etc, AK/JP

- Chairman, BK to raise issues of increased subs and a 3rd meeting/walk The village hall is booked for the AGM/Autumn meeting for Friday 16th October. Mr King will confirm that the designated speaker, Mr Slyfield, is available for that date and identify a relevant subject

12. Any Other Business. Mr Purcell reassured Mr Brand and Mr King that building activities they had noticed had received planning permission

13. Next Meeting:16th July 2009 at The Banks, 7.15 for 7.30, Mr Hamer to chair. Mr Hamer was thanked for chairing this meeting and Mr Purcell was thanked for his hospitality