

THE WARNHAM SOCIETY

Minutes of the 164th Meeting held at Ridge House, Byfleets Lane on Thursday 14th July 2011

Present: Mr Brand; Mrs Bridges; Mr Elliott; Mr King; Mr Lancaster & Mr Thompson

Chairman of this Meeting: Mr King

1. Apologies for Absence: Mr Hamer

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting, No. 163, 24th May 2011, were approved

3. Matters Arising: Covered elsewhere in the minutes

4. Correspondence: Mr Thompson tabled documents from CPRE Sussex for circulation to Committee Members

5. Treasurer's Report: Mr Brand stated that the bank balance stands at £ 892.80

6. Membership: Mrs Bridges advised there was no change in the number of members. It was agreed that efforts should continue to secure email addresses of members which are not registered with the Society

7. Parish Council: Mr King will ask Mr Benham to email him a copy of the Council's minutes

8. Planning: Mr Elliott reported that he had written to WSCC regarding their list of Preferred Waste Sites, supporting the stance adopted by the Parish Council. Following the receipt of an update by Biffa, it was agreed that Mr King would approach them to determine whether a Society visit could be arranged. There were no other planning matters to discuss

9. Village Hall: Mr Elliott reported that he had attended the AGM, he supplied Mr King with copies of the Agenda, certified Accounts and Minutes of the 2010 AGM. It was agreed that Mr King would ask Mr Purcell if he would be willing to represent the Society on the V.H. Committee

10. Projects:

10.1 The Society's Website: Mr Lancaster will submit a piece to the Warbler on its availability and possible uses

10.2 Commemorating Warnham's Great War Dead: Mr Lancaster was thanked for his work on Jack Charman which provides a template and identifies sources for future work. Mr Lancaster agreed to publish a piece in the Warbler announcing this project and seeking declarations of interest, support and information.

It was agreed that Mrs Bridges would approach Sue Overton to explore her willingness to be involved in this project and to identify the form it could take.

10.3 Other Possible Projects: Commemorating the 220th anniversary of Shelley's birth

10.4 The Diamond Jubilee of the Queen's accession to the throne: Her accession occurred on 6th February 1952, (her coronation was on 2nd June 1953), the Society would want to take part in parish celebrations. Portraying life in Warnham in 1952 could be a possibility as a Society meeting.

No village fete is planned for 2012 so its organisers can support the parish celebrations.

11. The Hampton Court visit passed off successfully, Mr Hamer was thanked for arranging it.

12. AGM & Autumn Meeting: Mr Lancaster has arranged a speaker from CPRE. Mrs Bridges will arrange for entries in the Sept. & October Warblers. Further arrangements would be agreed at the next meeting

13. Any Other Business:

13.1 Mr Brand was advised by Mr Lancaster that he would submit a claim for expenses relating to the setting up and operating the Society's website

13.2 Mr Lancaster reported that he had expressed concern to the Parish Council about the proposed route within the village for a Seismic Survey and the possibility of damage to properties. As a result of his intervention approval for the proposed route has been withdrawn and an alternative is being sought.

13.3 Mr King reported that a group of travellers were encamped on Northlands Road

14. Date & Venue of Next Meeting: Thursday 25th August 2011 at The Tower, Northlands, 7.15 for 7.30 pm, Mr Hamer to chair. Mr Lancaster was thanked for his hospitality, Mr King was thanked for chairing this meeting

Minutes of Meeting No. 164 were approved: _____ Date _____