

THE WARNHAM SOCIETY

Minutes of the 175th Meeting held at The Banks on Tuesday 12th February 2013.

Present: Mr Elliott; Mr Hamer; Mr King; Mr Lancaster & Mr Thompson.

1. Apologies for Absence: Mrs Debenham-Taylor & Miss Lee.
2. Minutes of Meetings 20th Sept., No. 173 & 22Nov. No.174 were approved.
3. Matters Arising: Dealt with as agenda items.
4. Correspondence/ Communication: Mr Thompson will forward to Miss Lee subscription renewal requests from FoSAS & BALH. He put several documents on circulation.
5. Finance: There is little change to the bank balance.
6. Membership: It was agreed that Committee Members would approach Society members of their acquaintance to see if they would like to join the Committee.
7. Committee Roles & Responsibilities: It was also agreed that the duties of Membership Secretary would be shared between Miss Lee (finances) & Mr Thompson (administration).
Mr King agreed to be responsible for preparing the agenda for future C'ttee Meetings. He asked C'ttee members to ensure that emails of general relevance were sent to all members.
8. Parish Council, Mr Hamer: he reported that
 - a new PCSO has been appointed
 - a Speed Indicating Device is being purchased for use by trained volunteers, (not allowable in the 20 mph zone).
 - Mr Hodgson is providing two benches for installation in Church St.
 - the P.C. precept for the next financial year will be slightly reduced.
 - outdoor gym. equipment will be installed near the cricket pavilion subject to the Club's agreement.
 - the defibrillator will be installed in the village hall
 - a Community Asset Register is being developed in response to a Government initiative.
 - The Owl at Kingsfold has submitted plans to build hotel accommodation on its site.
 - from June 2013 a youth worker will lead youth related activities in Slinfold, Broadbridge Heath & Warnham. The emphasis will be on purposeful activities.
9. Village Hall: Mr Thompson reported on his attendance at a public briefing meeting on 3. 01. 2013. on the plans to improve the village hall. There was a good attendance, hall users had identified issues to be addressed. Unfortunately, Mr Thompson's request for copies of the presentation slides has not been met. The present position is that the final specification has not been determined. Actual & possible sources of finance have been identified.

10. Roads & Traffic:Mr King reported that recent flooding at the Mayes Lane end of Northlands had, at times, rendered it impassible.The drainage system is not effective. Residents intend to speak formally at a P. C. meeting to secure support for actions to resolve this acute problem.

Regarding other traffic issues, Mr King undertook to present a list of possible projects for the Committee to address.

11. Planning: Mr King advised that Northlands Rd. residents who own land near the A 29 end of the road have submitted a planning application to build some social housing units. Mr King declared that he was a part-owner of the land, in his opinion the application was likely to fail.

There are no other pending planning applications.

12. Spring Meeting: It was agreed that Mr Hamer would invite a curator friend to speak on Elizabeth 1st at the Spring Meeting on Friday 17th May, to be followed up, possibly, with a visit to Hampton Court.

13: Great War Commemoration Project: Mr Lancaster reported on the the number of men, and one woman, with Warnham associations, who have been identified as serving in the War. There are men who fell inthe War who may be eligible for inclusion on the War Memorial. The planned output from the project is a hard copy publication & a website which would be a data source in perpetuity, open to amendment. The book will identify those who have won decorations. Another feature will be profiles of selected men. The next team meeting is on Monday 4th March 2013, 2 pm at Sue Overton's.

14. Field Walk at Ends Place: Mr Lancaster will advise when the field is ready for the walk to take place.

15. Any Other Business:Mr Lancaster suggested that we should be more active in communicating with our members. Accordingly, it was agreed that Mr Thompson would circulate provisional C'ttee Meeting minutes online, seek comments & suggestions and invite members to consider joining the Committee.

16: Date & Venue of Next Meeting: Wednesday 3rd April 2013 at Hawthorns, 7.15 for 7.30 pm. Mr Hamer was thanked for his hospitality & for chairing this meeting. Mr King is to chair, and prepare & circulate the agenda, see Minute 7 above.

Minutes of Meeting No. 175 were agreed: _____

Date: _____