

THE WARNHAM SOCIETY

Minutes of the 193rd Meeting held at 6 Friday Street on Thursday 30th April 2015.

Present: Ms Davies; Mr Elliott; Mr Hamer; Mr Lancaster; Mr Mc Laughlin & Mr Thompson.

1. Apologies for Absence: Mrs Debenham-Taylor, Mr Elliot, Mr King
 2. Minutes of Last Meeting, No.192. 30th March 2015, were agreed.
 3. Matters Arising: None
 4. Correspondence: Mr Thompson put some documents on circulation.
 5. Membership: The membership appear to agree that subscription contribution by paying for entry to the two public meetings is OK. It was agreed to let this format stand for the time being and review the accounts again at the time of the AGM this year.
 6. Finance: After a letting our subscription to FoSAS lapse, we have received more correspondence, but no chase (yet) for the subscription. Mr Thompson reported that the cash balance stands at £ 1296.64. This now includes the £45.07 from the moribund Santander account of the Warnham Historical Society, which is now finally closed. Many thanks to Mrs Bridges for her assistance in resolving this.
 7. Parish Council: Mr Hamer indicated that he would be standing again in the forthcoming election of a new Parish Council. This will be the first time for a little while that there will be an election as there is one more candidate than committee posts.
- Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP): Ms Davies reported that, at the recent NDP launch presentation at the Village hall on 24th April, there were about 90 people attending, including the NDP committee, which was a good turn out. There was also good feedback from the audience. However, the numbers there is tempered by the fact that there are approximately 2,000 residents in Warnham.
- North Horsham Development: Nothing further to report, except to await with reluctance the “inevitable outcome”.
- The recent absence of local Planning Applications was resolved. Mr Thompson re-initiated them with HDC.
8. Roads & Traffic: It was agreed that Mr King would draft a letter to WSCC, as the highway authority, to express concern at the delayed implementation of repairs, e g , in Northlands Road and to understand better how work on roads within the parish is prioritised.
 9. Warnham Historical Society Publications: Mr Thompson referred the Capel local history group to the Warnham Society website which satisfied them for the information it contains.
 10. Warnham and the Great War: No further action at the moment.
 11. Village Hall: Ms Davies reported that the “new” Committee is yet to come into force as not all the posts have been filled. This should be resolved in the next two weeks.
 - 12 Spring Meeting: The meeting will take place on Friday 15th May 2015. Kevin Crawley, from The Wey and Arun Canal Trust, has confirmed that all is set fair for his talk. He intends

arriving at the Village Hall at around 7.30 PM. The fee to the Wey and Arun Canal Trust is £60. However this does not include the speakers expenses which he is happy to waive, so it is suggested that a bottle in lieu will be appropriate.

Flyers for distribution within the parish have been done.

Detailed meeting logistics to be finalised.

Mr Hamer will contact Mr King about equipment, such as the video projector, needed for the meeting.

Mr Thompson will contact Mr Elliot about refreshments and obtaining the Village Hall key. Mr Lancaster agreed to be the doorman for the evening.

Introduce the speaker: Mr King??

Give a vote of thanks: Mr Hamer??

13 Future Activities:

- It was agreed that Mr King would explore the possibility of a speaker on wine or bee-keeping. However, it was felt that a talk on wine would be more appropriate for the spring meeting 2016, as the vines are being picked and set to ferment during the Autumn.
- Investigate the possibility for Mr Lucas delivering a talk about his time as the High Sheriff, separate from the Warnham Society spring and autumn meetings, with costs for this being donated to charity.
- Ms Davies will investigate the possibility of “Gardeners’ Question Time” coming to Warnham. It was suggested that this is done in conjunction with The Warnham Allotment Society; Autumn 2016?.
- A quick scan of the talks given during the life of the society gave a suggestion for a combined presentation about Mediaeval and Modern Warnham, possibly delivered by Mr Hamer and Mr Purcell during the Autumn 2015 meeting.

!4. Any Other Business: Seats on the Village Green. It was felt that these are the responsibility of the Parish Council, or the relatives of the person of the dedicated seat to maintain.

13. Date & Venue of Next meeting: Thursday 18th June 2015 at 6 Friday St. at 7.45 pm, Mr King to chair. Mr Hamer was thanked for chairing this meeting and Ms Davies for her hospitality.

Minutes of Meeting No.193 were agreed: _____ Date: _____