

THE WARNHAM SOCIETY

Minutes of the Forty Fourth meeting of the Committee
at 'Applegarth', School Hill, Warnham on
Thursday 10 December 1992

Present: Mr G.J. Read (Deputy Chairman)
Sir James Dalrymple-Hay (Secretary)
Mr R.H. Newman (Treasurer)
Mr R.B. Bensted-Smith
Mr. A.G. Brand
Mr R.H. Courtier
Mrs J.H. Jameson
Mr R.H. Purcell
Mrs O.G. Thornton

1. Apologies for Absence

All Committee members being present there were no apologies for absence.

2. Minutes of the meeting held on 23 September 1992

In items nos. 5 and 6 the minutes should read 'Mrs. Thornton' not 'Mr. Thornton', and in item no. 6 they should read 'Mr. Boud' not 'Mr. Bond'. Subject to these amendments the minutes were approved as a correct record and were duly signed by the Acting Chairman.

3. Matters Arising

(i) **Granny's Lane.** Mrs. Thornton reported that she had received a letter from the Council stating that they were not prepared to change the name of the road to 'Granny's Lane'. The Committee therefore decided that there was nothing more they could do in this matter.

(ii) **Field Place.** The Acting Chairman reported that The Secretary of State had called for the File relating to Field Place for consideration. Mr. Read also advised the Committee that the Warnham and Broadbridge Heath Parish Councils had joined forces to fight the application for Warehousing. He suggested that any member who felt inclined to write to express their objection should do so as this would add weight to the objections.

The Committee decided that they would call an emergency meeting of The Warnham Society to discuss the application should The Secretary of State decide to hold a Public Enquiry.

(iii) **Gatwick Overflying.** The Treasurer reported that he had attended a recent meeting of

the Gatwick Noise Abatement Society and was told that there was nothing that could be done about small aircraft flying over the village. He also reported that there had been no more night flights from Gatwick this year than in the previous year.

The meeting was informed that the Warnham Parish Council were no longer members of the Gatwick Noise Abatement Society.

(iv) **County Landscape.** Mr. Read reported that some tree planting had taken place around the village green and that a beech hedge had been planted at the back of the Village Hall.

(v) **Traffic Calming.** The Warnham Parish Council are in touch with the Broadbridge Heath Parish Council about the latter's Traffic Calming Scheme. It was considered that, should Broadbridge Heath be successful with their scheme, there would be a better chance of the County Council implementing a traffic calming scheme for Warnham.

Mr. Courtier undertook to produce a more detailed engineered plan of his Traffic Calming Scheme for Warnham and to present it at the next meeting. It will then be formally sent to the Parish Council for approval before being taken to the County Council. Mr. Courtier pointed out that the question of funding the scheme would have to be addressed before presenting it to the County.

Mr. Purcell undertook to write to the Parish Council on behalf of the Society expressing their objection to the proposal to paint yellow lines along part of Church Street.

(vi) **Best Kept Garden Competition.** The Committee thanked Mrs. Thornton and Mrs. Jameson for- judging the competition.

(vii) **Any Other Business.** It was reported that the County Council had started work on the lay-by at the top of Knob Hill.

4. Treasurer's Report

Mr. Newman reported that there were a number of people who had not paid their subscriptions, and that he would be sending them reminders in the New Year.

Mr. Newman advised the meeting that the balance in the Bank was £184.13.

The fee for use of the Village Hall is to be increased from £15 to £20.

5. Election of a Chairman

Sir James Dalrymple-Hay was proposed as Chairman by Mr. Brand and seconded by Mr. Purcell. He was therefore duly elected.

Mrs. Jameson was proposed as Secretary by Mrs. Thornton and seconded by Mr. Purcell. She was therefore duly elected.

6. 1992 AGM

It was agreed that it had been a very successful meeting. Mr. Purcell had written on behalf of The Warnham Society to thank Mr. Taylor for his talk.

7. Planning Matters

The application by the owners of Tyldens to convert the premises into a Nursing Home was raised. It was understood that the application is unlikely to succeed.

Mr. Purcell circulated copies of his letter to The Director of Planning and Law at Horsham District Council in respect of the Horsham District Plan. His letter dealt with the **Traffic Calming** in Warnham; **Car Parking** - suggesting Warnham be included in areas where off-street parking is required; and the **Proposed Golf Course** objecting to the entrance from Robin Hood Lane.

8. Any Other Business

The Secretary was asked to establish the exact location of Three Stiles Lane and to write to the District Council asking that it be named. Bailing Hill and any other historic names should also be investigated for possible signposting.

The Secretary was asked to write to Reg Melhuish and thank him on behalf of the Society for his past services, in particular for the years he was Chairman.

9. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 4 February 1993 at 8 pm at 'Applegarth', School Hill at the kind invitation of Mr. Newman.