

## The Warnham Society

Chairman and Correspondence Secretary. Mrs Margaret Dales.

### Minutes of Committee Meeting No 75. Monday 15th March 1999

Held at Sands, Warnham.

Present: Mrs M. Dales. Chairman  
Mr A.G.Brand. Treasurer  
Mr R. Courtier  
Mrs S. Dutton  
Mr G. Elliott  
Mrs O. Thornton  
Mrs V. Ronaason

#### Action

**Apologies for Absence:** Mr R. Newman and Mr M. Rogers

**1. Minutes of the meeting held on 26th January 1999:** The minutes of the 74th meeting were approved as an accurate record after some minor text corrections and were signed by Mrs Dales.

#### Matters Arising.

**(i) List of Committee Members:** The list of committee members' details had been circulated Some post codes had been omitted.

**(ii) Local Gap:** It was noted that the land between Warnham and Broadbridge Heath continues to have "Local Gap status rather than the more elevated "Strategic Gap" designation.

#### **(iii) Millennium Projects:**

MR           **a. Sundial:** The PCC will be approached for their initial reaction.

MD           **b. Time Capsule:** Being submitted to the Parish Council.

MD           **c. Photographic Record:** It was agreed that Mrs Dales would take advice from the County Archivist to help her prepare a proposal to submit to the Parish Council.

**(iv) Traffic Calming:** Mr Courtier reported the contents of an official advisory leaflet called "Gateways". After discussion it was agreed that he would make a proposal to the Parish Council aimed principally at deterring vehicles from using the village as a through route but also at encouraging all vehicle drivers to enter the village at a safe speed. His proposals would be based on the Gateway leaflet's advocacy of textures and markings to create Mr. an artificial narrowing of each entry road to the village.

RC Cost estimates Courtier would be given. The committee noted that the suggestion represented a relatively low cost solution to the problem.

**(v) Spring Meeting 1999:** The committee agreed that the talk by Mr D. Giles from Southern Water had been informative and stimulating. Thanks were extended to all those who had contributed to the organisation of the meeting. The rather low attendance was regretted. A report of the meeting is to be published in The Warbler by Mr Collyer.

**(vi) Publications and Reports:** It was agreed that The Citizens' Jury report should continue on circulation and be returned to Mrs Dales. Future agendas will include a specific item "Publications and Reports".

**(vii) Amenity Society Membership:** Mrs Dales reported the results of her investigations. It was agreed that (a) The Society would not rejoin the Federation of Amenity Societies (discontinued some years ago), (b) It would Mrs Dales take out a years subscription to the Council for the Protection of Rural England (CPRE) at £17-50 and (c) that membership of the Civic Trust would be maintained.

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**(viii) Mrs Rosemary Ashton:** Mrs Dales will write a letter of appreciation to Mrs Ashton at an appropriate date.

### **3. Treasurer's Report**

Mr Brand reported a current bank balance of £524-00.

### **4. Membership**

RC Mr Courtier reported that 84 people are recorded as members. Most Mr subscriptions for the current year have been paid. Those yet to pay will Courtier receive a reminder. A selective mailing prior to the Spring Meeting produced no new members. Other new entrants on the Electoral Roll will be mailed prior to the Autumn meeting.

### **5. Planning Matters**

Mrs Dales reported the following:

(a) The receipt of a letter from a Tuggles Plat resident seeking the Society's support in opposing a planning application by The Greets PH to extend the beer garden. It was agreed that Mrs Dales would consult Mrs Burnham, then decide whether to recommend criteria to the District Council for it's consideration prior to making a decision. It was noted that this approach accords with the Society's previous policy regarding individual planning applications.

MD (b) That a planning application had been submitted by Byfleets owner for assorted alterations. Mrs Dales undertook to seek Mr Melhuish's views before taking any action.

(c) Three other applications which require no action.

## **6. Autumn Meeting 1999**

MD It was agreed that Mrs Dales would discuss with Mr Melhuish the scope of his talk for the  
Mr M. Autumn meeting. In view of possible building within the parish the committee would like to  
have Mr Melhuish's thoughts on preferred architectural approaches for new housing, it's  
setting and achieving compatibility with existing styles. It was agreed that for a subsequent  
meeting a speaker from, say, the CPRE should be sought to address a rural theme.

## **7. Any Other Business**

**(i) Village Appraisal:** It was noted that a village appraisal had been carried out in 1992 and  
that it was too early to repeat this time-consuming exercise.

**(ii) Recruitment of New Members:** It was agreed that committee members should  
approach friends and neighbours as opportunities arise, with regard to joining the Society

## **8. Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held at Sands on **Thursday 1st July at 8pm.**