

## THE WARNHAM SOCIETY

**Minutes of Committee Meeting No.95 held on Monday 2nd September 2002 at Sands, Warnham**

**Present: Mrs M Dales (Chairman); Mr G Brand (Treasurer); Mrs S Dutton; Mr G. Elliott; Mr R Newman; Mr M. Rogers; Miss V Ronaasen; Mrs O Thornton**

**1 Apologies** for absence were received from Mr R Purcell and Mr S Parker-Smith

**2 Minutes of the meeting held on 1st July 2002 were approved after minor changes.**

**3 Matters Arising:** See later minutes

**4 Treasurer's Report** Mr Brand Reported that the Society's cash balance stands at £338.51p, a cheque for subscriptions received is due to be banked. There being no further foreseeable income or outgoings before the end of the financial year it was agreed that the books be passed to Mr R Boud, Honorary Auditor, to certify the Society's accounts.

**5 Membership** Mr Rogers reported that the Society has 115 paid-up members, with 22 subscriptions outstanding. Mr Rogers undertook to contact residents at the new development at Warnham Court to attend our Autumn Meeting. Committee members were asked to consider other approaches to increasing Society membership.

### **6 Planning**

#### **a Sands Equestrian Centre WN/24/02**

Mr Rogers reported that revised plans had been submitted to HDC. Examination revealed little difference from the original application. The Society's objections remaining unaddressed, Mr Rogers wrote to HDC advising them of this point.

#### **b Tilletts Lane WN/56/00**

The developer's application has not been withdrawn (see minute 6a of 01 July 02). Mrs Dales will continue to monitor the situation.

**c Woodstock WN/07/02** No determination yet.

#### **d Other Planning Matters**

Mr Rogers reported that there were no applications requiring comment by the committee.

### **7 Traffic Management**

**a** Mrs Dales reported on behalf of Mr Purcell that the joint working party with the Parish Council had received a response from Mr R Hobbs, WSCC, which it will discuss shortly. A meeting with Mr Hobbs is expected to follow.

**b A24 Southwater to Ashington.** The outcome is awaited of the NWSFAS meeting with Colonel Tex Pemberton, WSCC Cabinet Member (see minute 7b of 1 July 02).

**c A24, Great Daux to Capel:** Apparently the proposed “railway” route is to be dropped and other options proposed. The revised plans are to be shown first to affected Parish Councils, followed by an exhibition in Warnham Village Hall on 17th - 19th October. It was agreed to hold a Committee Meeting on Monday 21st October to discuss the plans prior to the AGM on 24th October so we can advise members how the Committee intends to respond.

## **8 AGM & Autumn Meeting Thursday 24th October 2002**

Mrs Dales reported that Dr Jace Clarke of Park Surgery, Horsham, has agreed to speak about General Practice. Members of the Committee were asked to submit topics to Mrs Dales to help Dr Clarke structure his presentation to our needs.

*The following arrangements for the Meeting were agreed:*

*a Preparation of documents for members, including the Committee's Report on 2001–02 and Warbler entry & posters, - Mrs Dales*

*(nb. The appropriate sections of the Committee's Report to be written by Roger Purcell / Traffic & A24 / Membership / Martin Rogers/, Finances /George Brands; Margaret Dales will complete the Report, and write a letter to members, including information on the A24 exhibition on 17–19 October, and of the S E Airports Consultation process.*

*b Distribution of documents to members - Olive Thornton*

*c Committee members - to attend from 7pm to put out seating etc. (no WI meeting )*

*d Refreshments Wine - George Elliott Coffee - Olive Thornton*

*e Collection of subscriptions - Martin Rogers*

*f Meeting the speaker (Dr Clarke) - Dick Newman or Shelagh Dutton*

*g Summary of AGM and Dr Clarke's presentation – George Elliott*

*h Order of business - 7.30 Refreshments, 8.00AGM; 8.20 Dr Clarke.*

*i Vote of Thanks - Shelagh Dutton (this was arranged after the meeting)*

*j Clearing the hall and storing seating - Committee*

## **9. Correspondence and Reports**

**a Mr S Ritchie**, Bookings Secretary of the Village Hall (& Chairman of the Village Hall Committee), has requested provisional dates from regular customers for 2003.

**13th March & 23rd October** 2003 were identified as dates for the Society's two members' meetings. It was agreed that the topic for the 2003 Spring Meeting would be agreed at the first committee meeting after the AGM.

**b Mr Ritchie** has provided a summary of the conclusions of the working group set up to combat

antisocial behaviour.

c The **GACC** has supplied newsletters on the future of air transport in the south east. We have also received a National Consultation Document from the Department for Transport, with a questionnaire, to be returned by 30th November. Copies of the document and questionnaire will be circulated to Committee members. All members will be notified, and copies of the report will be available at the AGM.

## **10 Any other business**

**a. Mr Brand** reported that his son, Gordon, had recently been interviewed on Southern Counties Radio about the odour emanating from the Adjacent landfill site. In essence , the situation has improved, but the odour has not been eradicated.

**b. The War Memorial Flower Trough.** Mr Dungate, a public spirited Warnham resident, has constructed a trough to replace the one recently vandalised. As Mrs Dutton reported, coincidentally the WI had purchased a replacement, being unaware of Mr Dungate's initiative. It was agreed that Mrs Dutton's proposal to use both troughs should be discussed at an imminent WI Committee meeting. Their recommendations would be forwarded to the Parish Council for its agreement.

Mr Rogers reported that it was unlikely that the Sword of Remembrance part of the War memorial would be reinstated before 11th November.

## **11. Date of next Meeting**

**Monday 21st October at 8pm at Sands** - this should be a brief, to discuss our response to the Halcrow presentation on the A24 Daux to Capel proposals. (See Item 7c above)

**A full committee meeting**, following the AGM, should take place in early November

(Tues 5th, Wed 6th or Thurs 7th are possible. **Please let me know which date(s) you can manage**)