

The Dover Society

Second meeting of the Executive Committee, held on 9 June 1988, at 19.30 at 53 Park Avenue, Dover.

Present M. McFarnell P. Kennedy P. Johnson P. Dobbins J. Liggett J. Gerrard J. Cope J. Truelove P. Elms S. Standing T. Khambatta K. Wraight J. Woolford B. Smith

1. Chairman's opening remarks and apologies from N. Willis and K. Berry  
The minutes for last meeting, 12 May 1988, were passed.
- 2.a The Countess of Guilford had agreed to accept the vacancy of President and the following had agreed to serve as Vice Presidents and Honorary Members:- I. Green, J. Ind, J. Sloggett, R. Warner, B. Adams. L. Kay would be asked and the appointment of D. Ennals was provisional upon the second request to P. Rees being in the affirmative. It was also suggested that Brig. Atherden and M. Horsfield be approached.
- 2.b Secretary confirmed that the Dover Society was now registered with the Civic Trust at National level and agreed to proceed with registration under Charity Status.
- 3.a A discussion on the meeting with KCC reps on 1 June at Dover Town Hall and Brook House and full report to appear in the news letter.
- 3.b Chairman reported on his attendance at the Peat Markwick function.
- 3.c Chairman reported he had been invited to Civic Garden Party on 21 June but was unable to attend. If possible, P. Dobbins and P. Kennedy to cover.
- 3.d Chairman agreed to provide address labels and members to assist with distribution of news letter. Secretary pointed out that all postage money involved would have to paid in advance.
- 3.e All members of the Executive Committee were provided with a copy of the Constitution and Advisory Notes from the Civic Trust. Secretary agreed to explore the possibility of housing one in the Reference Library.
- 3.f The Stationery and Letterhead for the Society briefly discussed.
4. Secretary reported the hall for the agreed public meeting on 27 June had been arranged. London Road Methodist Church, 18.00 to 22.00hrs. Meeting to commence 19.30hrs.  
P. Johnson agreed to give talk to TWG at their own venue.
5. Treasurer not available to report
- 6.a M. McFarlen reported on his hopes for enrolling teenagers and using them under supervision to clean areas of the town during the coming school holidays. The Secretary thought that without some financial incentive to attract volunteers it might not get off the ground but the Committee agreed to support the plan.

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- b Ken Wraight reported that he had made an active reconnaissance of the Planning Department at Whitfield after failing to get satisfaction on the telephone. He explained that he was still engaged on forming his committee, following which their meetings would be arranged. It was recognised that he would act on his own initiative.
  - c John Gerrard gave a rough outline of the plans envisaged by DHB concerning the Prince of Wales Pier and he thought those plans would come to fruition next year.
  - d (not a member of our Society), David Elms gave his views on the River Dour Society, which appeared to have a negative future, and promised continued collaboration with the Dover Society.
7. Philomena Kennedy reported that the news sheet would shortly be available.
8. The Social Secretary was not available.
9. It was next proposed that the public meeting on the 27th inst. should be cancelled. It was said that there was a lack of speakers and insufficient time to advertise. P. Kennedy moved that a tour of the town, with a commentary given by two DDC Councillors should take its place. The secretary refused to cancel the hall booking, being of the opinion that it would jeopardise its use in the future and suggested instead that if a public meeting was not in order then the venue should be used to hold a members meeting. He considered there was a good opportunity to bring members up to date on activities as well as indicate future plans. John Gerrard also suggested that if necessary he was prepared to give an illustrated lecture.
- A compromise then resulted, whereby all persons wishing to take the tour would do so and those not desirous of doing so would remain at the hall for discussion and refreshments.
- 10. Next meeting 14 July, 19.30, 7 Cambridge Terrace.
  - 12. Jeremy and Shiela Cope were thanked for the refreshments and use of their premises.

Chairman

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