

THE DOVER SOCIETY

MINUTES of the 47th EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Thursday June 11th at 19.30pm at Cambridge Terrace.

PRESENT: Chairman, Treasurer, JG, JC, SC, SS, KW, JO, ML, AFA, PK, AG, JL, PD.

WELCOME to Joan Liggett as Social Secretary.

APOLOGIES: LW, MR.

1. MINUTES of May 14 signed as correct.

2. MATTERS ARISING from May 14.

3a. Peverley Publication:- JG introduced his discussion paper, which had been circulated before the meeting. The paper addressed 4 questions and 7 general points which JG elaborated. The main development, following a talk with Christine Waterman, was that she was willing to act as editor, after a working party from the Society had produced a design brief. JG thought there should be a frontispiece defining the role of the Society in promoting the publication. JW professed himself delighted. A long discussion ensued with contributions from PK, AFA, ML, JC, SC, KB, JG, JO. PK wanted major restructuring, treating the Western Heights as a whole. Finance was discussed in detail as was the role of Douglas Welby, as Publisher and distributor.

AFA suggested a vote on the issue of transferring £380 interest in the funds to the publication. KB agreed. The financial aspect in JG's paper, page 2, paragraph 4, was accepted with the deletion of F.O.C. which should read 'at half price'. JO said that the protracted discussion over 3 meetings had been very fruitful and enabled members to come to a decision.

Finally the Committee voted on the following resolution:-

RESOLUTION: That we proceed with our intention to publish a booklet on the Western Heights, and with this in view, appoint a working party to produce a design brief for the book, to be edited by Christine Waterman - under the financial restraints of para. 4 page 2 of JG's paper of 10.2.1992.

A working party was set up: JW, PK, ML. CW to attend meetings.

5. Press Sec./Archivist:- SS said she would collect press cuttings to file.

9d. Metropole development:- KW: name on board at site. AG: shop fronts not completed. Planning Committee to investigate.

10b. Greeting Card:- PK said this issue discussed previously and found to be not viable financially. No other comments. JW lamented the decision, saying the project would have added to the prestige and status of the Society and provided publicity.

3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

- a. Dover and Local Parishes Local Plan Inquiry: Tuesday, October 6 Whitfield: Inspector Stoddart: pre-inquiry meeting July 14. KFAS instruction may require JW to oppose Lydden race-track development.
- b. Wye Conference application.
- c. Mayor-making. PD attended. Mayor singled out Dover Society in his speech and mentioned Newsletter.
- d. Civic Trust in trouble - had requested list of members of amenity societies and sent questionnaire to secretary.

4. SECRETARY'S REPORT:

- a. Bench Street archaeology. Keith Parfitt will report findings.
- b. Split Charity, November, too late for donation. £150 authorised by LW/KB. Endorsed by Committee. Underwritten by "Complete Financial Services" promised sponsorship and any profits - 23 Nov.

5. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Current balance: £755.20. Project Fund: £648.07.
Fluid time of the year. Vineyard trip, etc. Chatham trip, £280 so far.

6. MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY:

Highest number: 420. Actual: 351. New: 6. Left: 69. Not yet paid: 87.

7. PROJECTS:

- a. Lydden Pond. No working parties until Autumn.
- b. Light Vessels. No further development.
- c. Environment Week. Pencester car-park area clean-up, very successful. Sea cadets, Grammar School. Latter won trophy. Both very good.

8. SOCIAL SECRETARY:

- a. 1993 Programme. JL, PK, ML, KW, LW, to meet 7.30, 14 Jul, 19 Castle Ave.
- b. Report Vineyard/Sandwich. Successful. 30 attended.
- c. Guided walks - poor response. Eastern Docks - full. Town Hall - 6. East Cliff - 1. PK suggested in future: advertise to members: 1 walk at a time.
- d. Chatham trip: 37 to date.

8. SOCIAL SECRETARY: (Contd.)

- e. St Omer - 22.
- f. Members Meeting, October 12. JW suggested make this recruitment meeting. Speaker from IMPACT. Julian Owen. PK to contact. Programme to include list of local issues (as agenda).
- g. Nov 23: Dickens Evening. JW has met Currys. Props to be obtained, as listed. Lectern from Dover B.G.S. AFA offered to transport. Programme:f1, Adams Printers. Will include Curry CV; Dickens as a reader; list of chosen pieces to include Dover. JL to check Hall re seating, etc.
- h. Christmas Feast, Dec 12. PK suggested Canterbury Waits.

9. PLANNING COMMITTEE:

Meeting Sat, 13 June. KW Scheme to demolish Co-op building. Plans can be seen Maison Dieu Gardens. Plans for Whitfield By-pass at Honeywood. Listing of slip-way: Western Docks, Doc. from D. Welby.

10. EDITORIAL:

NL deadline, July 15.

11. A.O.B.

Letter of thanks received from Donna Sowerby re Dover Festival support. PK - Clive Alexander phoned for info. on Soc. Awrds. Referred to NL4
SS - Clash of dates with other societies should be checked.
KW - Jenny Olpen invited to Planning Sub-Committee.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Thurs July 9th: Usual Agenda: ~~mutatis mutandis~~.