

THE DOVER SOCIETY

MINUTES of the 59th Executive Committee Meeting of Thursday 8 July 1993
at 7.30 p.m. at the Royal Cinque Ports Yacht Club.

Apologies : SC MMcF JeO BA

Present : Chairman Vice-Chairman Secretary Treasurer
ML LG JO SS JC AG MR KW

1. The Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting No. 58 of 10 June 1993
were signed as a correct record.

2. Matters arising :

From 11 Feb.

7(f) Cherry Tree Avenue car breakers' yard.

JC reported correspondence which implied a lack of co-operation between KCC and DDC. KCC letter to be forwarded to John Moir for comment. JC

From 10 June

3(c) October Meeting : Local Government : no further takers for dinner.

3(f) Buckland Hospital campaign questionnaire by S.E.Kent Community Health Council : 50+ completed and sent off from Dover College meeting , 19 June.

350 distributed with LYTE Parish Magazine

BA had offered to distribute 300 to D.S. members

but supplies ran out and SEKCHC are overwhelmed by success.

3(g) Letter to Charter Trustees re mayor-making. No reply so far. A reply will be requested verbally , in due course, if necessary. JW LG

4(a) DDC presentation re closed-circuit television. LG unable to attend .

4(b) KRCC Kent Structure Plan, Third Review. MR unable to attend.

3. Chairman's Report

The Chairman prefaced his report by a preliminary look at the future of the chairmanship. He is not seeking to stand down at the 1994 AGM and would soldier on for as long as he has the confidence of the Committee.

Meanwhile, the Committee thought that we should seek/elect a second vice-chairman. A candidate for chairman should be known to the committee and have their support. This should end speculation about the chairmanship and there must be no private negotiations.

(a) 12 June CTRL meeting at Ashford reported very fully and lucidly by KW.

(b) 18/19 Sep : Wye programme. KW will attend. (The rail discussion will continue there.)

(c) 28 June Opening of the Roman Invasion Exhibition.

Togas. C.Waterman thanks especially Jon Iveson. Philp ' presence '.

Victoria Hospital archaeol. - Philp free offer but ref. to EH DDC etc.

(Paul Bennet Canterbury Archaeol.)

(d) Agreed : Ratcliff to address AGM on " Railways into Dover " (Stibbs mediation.) Second speaker to be sought on the future of railways, unless Ratcliff can add this.

(e) The Society cannot purchase a set of framed Birds' Eye Views of Dover.

(f) Thanks from Gavin Wright for our Festival support.

Four D.S. representatives will attend the final summing-up meeting of the Festival Committee.

- (g) Deal Society invite to Garden Tea Party : 3 p.m. Sunday 1 Aug
Castle Lodge 271 Sandown Road £6.50
- (h) Invitation to Friends of Dover Museum to view Bronze Age Boat
25 July 11.00 - 16.00h.
- (i) Chemical Industry again offers speakers.

4. Secretary's Report

(a) The delays on completion of the A20. John Clayton's opinion that pressure by the Society could help.

Decision : Letter to David Shaw.

JW LG

: A note in the Newsletter

ML

(b) "Community Enterprize Awards" information to JO.

(c) The Garden History Society

The Open Spaces Society seeking information re the decline in Victorian and Edwardian gardens.

(e.g. Connaught Park)

JC

The committee also discussed also the landscaping of the A20 and its roundabout

(d) Civic Trust seeking information re the sale of public land.

(e.g. Bushey Ruff ; Cherry Tree Avenue)

JC LG

(e) Invitation to presentation at Combined Heat and Power Plant

Arjo Wiggins 6 - 7 Tues 13 July (RSVP by 12 July)

LG KW ?

(f) Two points raised by members :

(i) (Two members) Fear of emissions from the planned sewage treatment plant. They had been and will be reassured.

(ii) The return of the Rolls statue to approx. its original site.

JG will investigate possibilities.

JG

5. Treasurer's Report

Statement as at 31 vii '93

Income : £1951 Expenditure : £1139.82 Apparent Cr. balance : £811.18

but only £311 if donations/sponsorships are deducted, so that caution is called for. The RCPYC room will cost £110 p.a.

6. Planning sub-committee

(a) The meeting (with John Clayton) 30 June '93

(i) General

The purpose was a broad-ranging exchange of views. Successful.

(ii) Farthingloe re-instatement.

Agreed by a majority vote to write to DDC opposing the retention and proposed development of Farthingloe Village and suggesting more suitable sites.

(iii) Dover's town centres. John Clayton showed understanding of our views, while explaining economic and political limitations. There was some agreement about the siting of markets.

Agreed : to write again about the need for an overall, long-term plan for the whole area around the Russell Street car park.

LG

It was also thought necessary to write to IMPACT about participation in their Forum .

JW

(iv) On the W. Docks proposed development John Clayton was in general agreement with our views. He thought that the Marine Station should not be listed and, in consensus with JG, it seemed likely that realistically, only part ($\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{3}$) would be preserved and might serve as a cruise-liner terminal.

(b) Other planning matters.

To be watched : Kwik Snaks and Snargate Street. Cawsey's awning in Lorne Road refused. Whitfield by-pass : still possible to comment on landscaping. Most of our interventions have now been acknowledged. Some applications we objected to have been permitted.

7. Social Secretary

(a) 25 May 1066 and All That. Treasurer reported a debit of £46.80.

(b) 19 June Dover College conducted tour and tea. Was praised as very successful and enjoyable. 52 visitors and 10 "workers". Treasurer reported a debit of £7.14.

(c) Meeting of sub-committee : 21 June. Minutes not available.

(d) 18 July Grove Ferry : Treasurer reported 22 - 26 takers so far. Decision : It must go ahead. We never closed.

(e) 18 Sep. Boulogne

JL to prepare booking form for Newsletter (1 Aug. publication deadline) in consultation with LW.

French coach ? Boulogne Accueil - conducted tour of Vieille Ville - Nausicaa - le shopping . Approx £22 + .

8. Membership Secretary : report in writing :

<u>Current total</u>	<u>Have left :</u>	<u>Highest No. allocated</u>
406	97	503

9. Editor

Projected date of next Newsletter publication : 1 August.
All copy in. Type-setting delayed.

10. Projects

Invitation for group participation by the Society in the 1994 Dover Pageant, from Lorraine Sencicle. Reply : Willing agreement and good wishes. LW

12. A O B

LG reported letter from English Heritage re Millenium Fund / monuments :
Decisions will be made by a committee of nine, of the great and good.

Date of the next meeting :

Thursday 8 September

7.30 p.m. at the Royal Cinque Ports Yacht Club.

The Chairman's List of relevant items in the month's DOVER EXPRESS.

- 17 Jun: Cameras in Mkt Sq, Russell St, Stembrook, multi-storey, Maison Dieu
Luxury liner calls in Dover
French supermkt at Sainsburys as well as W>Docks?
Seacats to Calais
Joint A-Fr claim for EC money for seafront & D. Priory: IMPACT/DHB:
Coombe Valley - Cherry Tree £40,000 improvement: Cllr Cope chairs IMPACT
cttee
EH to improve Mote Bulwark: IMPACT: Martin Walter EQ: Hammonds
Limekiln St filling station, AA Snargate St, Grand Shaft, Townwall St
leisure centre,, Army Careers Inf Office
UR link to Dover Marine? Sherrred: equal treatment
- 24 Jun: IMPACT display opportunities at M> Walters from Aug: riding rough
shod?
Cycle path Deal-Dungeness via Dover
Astor Ave pelican
- 1 Jul: Sewage plant protest on landscape destruction: smaller plant for
Dover only
Editorial on A20 delays; relation to Tunnel opening: Commissioner
Sir D. Murray to investigate
Dover and Folkestone ferry symbols
£1m Leisure Centre repairs
DDC asks EC Interreg 1 for historic Grand Shaft trail
RVH tablets to be reset in walls
KCC Freight Code for road-rail switching

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- 8 Jul: Tpt Museum replica bookstall
KCC agrees 5 mini roundabouts, pavement widening, better lighting
for Melbourne Ave, Buckland Estate
Football pitch size Sealink catamaran?
Deal superrstore doubts
EC cash for Soldiers' Life W Hts historic trail: Drop Redoubt
floodlighting, St Martin's gun, Cowgate appearance
£14m from tourism (?)
Kent Recreational Cycling Study, KCC: views wanted
A20-Ch T link road to remain open v. ET undertaking
Retirement of David Sturt & Robin Megan
Folkestone Rd boot fairs on Broomfield Bank after detrunking of old
A20
Pond Week Sept 19-26
M25-Folkestone but not Dover monitoring
July 6 1994 Tour de France from Dover Castle to Brighton