

THE DOVER SOCIETY

MINUTES of the 63rd meeting of the Executive Committee
at 7.30 p.m. at the RCPYC on Thursday 9 Dec. 1993

Apologies :

Present : Chairman Vice-Chairman Secretary Treasurer
SC JL ML LG JO SS BA JC MR KW

1. MINUTES of Executive Committee meeting No. 62 of 11 Nov. '93
passed and signed as correct.

2. Matters arising :

From 10 Sep. '92 and 11 Nov. '93.

Nothing further to report on the siting of the Rolls memorial
nor on DDC/KCC councillors and environmental concern.

From 8 July '93.

Our submission to the Garden History Society for their " Parks at Risk"
survey has been acknowledged. As a national society they could be useful
in a conservation case.

3. Chairman's Report

Continuing from the November meeting, the Chairman reported on the meeting
of our sub-committee on Local Government re-organisation. (6 Dec.)

Minutes had been circulated.

A further copy of these is attached with, inserted, the considerable
additional information which has become available.

4. Secretary's Report

Civic Trust : Christmas cards; urban planning ; 1994 environmental week.

WCCP Guided Walks, 1994. Possible takers : LW KW

Despite the possible future importance of SERPLAN : no takers for
the SERPLAN Conference, at £395 + V.A.T.

More popular was the Winter Ale Festival in Dover Town Hall.

The Society had responded to the Charter Trustees' appeal for aid
for Split, as Dover's twinned town, but could not see its way,
other than by personal donations, to support Colin Smithen's appeal for Brač.

5. Treasurer's Report

With one or two items outstanding, the current credit balance : £1867.46

The Public Meeting (25 Oct.) cost £ 47. 49

Conundrums and Conviviality (24 Nov.) made a profit of £101.42

6. Editor : Warmest congratulations to ML and BA on splendid No. 18

7. Membership Secretary

One new member, making current total : 372 (Highest number 515)

8. Social Secretary

Conundrums and Conviviality. Much enjoyed by all, and made a profit.

The Christmas Feast : 53 so far. All in hand. Music : BA JL et al.

Planning

(Reported under Matters Arising from 11 Nov.)

* Steps by the bowling green to be replaced by a ramp. Project
will very probably go ahead by Midsummer 1994. South Kent College
keen to help. D.S. benefactor naturally welcomed.

A delegation from Dover, Delaware will be coming March (?) D.S. hospitality?

* LG will represent D.S. at judging of the architectural plans for
the National Trust project on Langdon Cliffs.

* Southern Water : Broomfield Bank :

Now approved by KCC and DDC. Must be assumed that it will now
go ahead.

(contd.)

Planning (contd.)

- (a) The planning sub-committee of 20 Nov. was reported.
(b) The Dover IMPACT Forum meeting of 30 Nov. was reported.
Their projects, as listed below, present an encouraging picture :

Sea Front	EastCliff/ Athol Terrace
Priory Stn	Riverside
Mill Lane/Burlington Ho. area	York Street/Queen Street
New entrance to Grand Shaft	Folkestone Road
Stembrook Car Park	Sign-posting and linkages

The desirability of Town Centre management was explored.

(c) We had repeated our comments on the Western Docks project re. : planning application. (Reported in the Dover Express)
(Copy to Fawcus ?)

(d) Local Plan Strategy. Comment being prepared. Now is the time to comment.

(e) Proposed hotel : Camden Crescent.

LG had commented on what seem to be Outline planning application. Members of the Planning sub-committee are requested to study the plans (enclosed) so that they may be discussed at the next sub-committee meeting..

It was felt that comments on important planning matters should normally await consideration by the sub-committee.

10. Projects

- (a) Lydden Pond : Ceremony, handing over the bench to Lydden PCC (21 Nov.) Project now wound up.
(b) Two working parties Lousyberry Wood : 4/5 Dec. Task completed.
(c) Volunteers requested for work at Crabble Mill : Sun. 12 Dec. 9.30-12.00

11. Press and Publicity Secretary. The Chairman had written accepting her resignation, with great regret and gratitude for her work.

12. A.O.B.

* Request for donation of raffle prizes for the Christmas Feast

* The Vice - Chairman gave an unofficial up-date on the DHB thinking re: the ongoing plans for the Western Docks .
No ocean-going lock. Deep dredge the Tidal Basin next. Autumn .
Fill in Granville Dock ? 20 cruise-calls ?
Marine Station as Cruise terminal and Railway Museum ?
Role of English Heritage ?

Date of next meeting : Thursday 13 Jan. 1994.