

THE DOVER SOCIETY

MINUTES of the 72nd meeting of the Executive Committee held at 7.30 p.m.
on Thursday 13 Oct. 1994, at the R.C.P.Y.C.

APOLOGIES : JG ML AG

PRESENT : Chairman Secretary Treasurer JC SC JL LG
JO SS BA MR TS KW MMcF

1. The MINUTES of the 71st meeting of the Executive Committee of 8 Sep. 1994
were passed and signed as correct.

2. MATTERS ARISING

From 9 May 1991 The Peverley Publication.

In agreement with the Chairman, the Secretary reported the arrangement arrived at to deal with the situation precipitated by the withdrawal of Christine Waterman. This amounts to re-activation of the sub-committee set up in 1992 and made responsible for the production :

Chairman : JG : PK, ML, and BA to be co-opted.

AJW to be consulted wherever his specialist knowledge is relevant.
The finished draft must of course have the author's approval. The sub-committee is in possession of the latest letter from John Peverley in which he is actively helpful and also sets certain limitations.

From 10 Sep. 1992 The re-location of the Rolls Memorial.

BA summarised the considerable progress made. The future potential event of the re-unveiling is admirable. Help is needed with ownership and financial questions : DDC and DHB. Funding : Only £500 guaranteed at present.

From 11 Feb. 1993 Millenium Project

LG emphasised that the objectives are now firm but not the projects. He was also able to report on the meeting of the Working Group, 10 Oct. Attended only by J.Moir, J. Sloggett and LG. John Moir reported that DDC would be preparing its own project, for the Russell Street area, and would therefore not be a source of funding for the Working Group.

Action decided : All DDC councillors to receive a statement of the position. The Committee, as advised by LG, to contact individual councillors. LG

Plans for the Special meeting : M.E.P. Watt : Dover and Europe in the next Millenium, to go ahead.

From 5 May 1994

1. Council provision of poster-boards-columns :

In response to action by JC and M McF, John Clayton wrote :

" I am advised that we are optimistic that there will be a programme for the provision of poster displays in the next financial year, perhaps in the form of Morris columns."

We are seeking various patterns and if the timing is right these will be presented at the Members' Meeting 13 Mar. 1995. AJW

2. Shops survey for the Town Centre Management Group of IMPACT.

V-P L.Kay thanked by DS and IMPACT and this endorsed by TS and LG.

From 8 Sep. 1994

Possibility of DS display in the vacant covered market, Bench Street.
Consideration deferred until the approach of tourist season 1995.

3 CHAIRMAN

- * Time and Tide Review copy circulation : now with MR.
- * Mayor and Smithen : letter sent : not acknowledged. Repeat letter.
- * A. Goodburn co-opted to KFAS Committee.
- * 25 Oct. diners : JW/KW/ LK/MA/WA/MR/RM/AG/VG/ML/BL
- * E.T. trips : 6 cars :

President (AJW BA LK)
KW JC JL TS MMcF
- * Front-line Britain : much enjoyed and approved.

4. SECRETARY

Reported a telephone call from the Chairman of France-Grande Bretagne, Calais, seeking contacts in Dover.
Initially an exchange of visits proposed. Detailed letter awaited.

5. TREASURER.

Accounts presented in writing.
Handsome profit on French trip.
Treasurer's proposal to switch to Barclay's Current-plus account agreed.

6. Membership Secretary

Exceptionally, no new members to report. Current total 384.
Mrs Brightwell and partner : leaflets or historic boards for Dover's parks.
To be invited to informal discussions at the meeting of 24 Oct.
D.S. badges. These ^{could} be available at one month's notice. To be canvassed at the October meeting.
Life-membership : pros and cons considered and no further action decided.

7. Social Secretary

17 Sep. 1994 Montreuil.
Highly successful. Highly profitable.
Limited refunds for this occasion agreed and also the general policy on refunds.
24 Oct 1994 The Economic Plan for Dover.
In the absence of JC and SC the Raffle will be organised by KW and MR.

A draft Social Programme up to Dec. 1995 circulated.

8. PLANNING

The notes included in the Agenda were commented.
On the Kearsney Abbey Tea Room no action was called for now. There will be opportunity for comment/objection, which could include criticism for neglect.
BA reported damage to the gutter in Laureston Place, a unique relic of
(18) roadbuilding . Letter to DDC.

LW

9. PROJECTS

JO reported his representation at the DDC discussions re Sport in the S.E.
D.S. in favour of increased facilities and against loss of facilities on grounds of financial non-viability.
MMcF reported from the Sandwich discussions that it was there recommended that Sports and Arts should be considered together.
Future Projects could include : the shop-window; work on the Shepherdsweil Rly.; National Tree Week ; the on-going Front-line Britain.

10 EDITOR in absentia

Deadline for Newsletter : 1 Nov.

Articles : TS on the October meeting.

Dover Express Reporter to be invited.

LW

BA on Front-line Britain 1994.

Individual comments on Eurotunnel Overture invited.

11. A.O.B.

JC reported reply from the Lord Chancellor's department re Dover's

County Court. Objections being considered but closure seems likely.

Date of next meeting :

Thursday 10 Nov. at 7.30 p.m. at the R.C.P.Y.C.