THE DOVER SOCIETY

MINUTES of the 113th meeting of the Executive Committee held at 7.30 p.m. on Thursday 11 June '98 at the Royal Cinque Ports Yacht Club.

APOLOGIES: JC SC

PRESENT : JG in the Chair, LW MW JL ML JW JO TS BA MMcF JeG SS DL

The MINUTES of the 112th meeting of the Executive Committee of 14 May '98 were passed and signed as correct.

1.MATTERS ARISING :

Ongoing:

1. Historic plaques

In the absence of SC the Treasurer reported that relevant information had been very slow to come in.

It was agreed that this could not be a Small Millenium Project but that it could be to our advantage to "express our interest "for 1999.

MW will telephone. Research continues.

MW

2. The Clifford Jarrett Memorial.

JG reported that the orientation table was being upgraded by the manufacturer.

3. JC had reported on the Mayor-making where we were well represented and there was reference to our project painting of signposts.

He had written congratulating the Mayor on his re-election.

4. Dover Video and Camera Club.

MMcF will be judging the competition. He will examine the technical problems of showing.

MMcF

5. Carnival Programme

Payment of \$20 for an advertisement, as agreed.

MW SC MMcF

6. Two dates of events to be chosen in the Pageant chart, and paid for.

MMcF MW

 JL

2. CHAIRMAN

- 1. A letter of condolence had been sent to Mrs Audry Lawson and JG had attended the funeral.
- 2. JO reported the Sea Cadets annual inspection. A very successful evening in difficult circumstances interior venue.
- 3. JG reported the moving ceremony of the unveiling of the Norwegian plaque.

 A good occasion. Recommended: that we consider the material/format SC of the plaque in connection with our choice of historic plaques.

 MW
- 4. Agreed: to donate \$50 to the restoration of St. Mary's church bells. MW

3. SECRETARY

Reported on the DTC Twinning and Civic Functions Committee of 3 June.

In particular: Twinning with Calais and the S. Edmund of Abingdon Memorial Trust.

A public meeting was held on 9 June where it was agreed to form a Dover Twinning Association.

Agreed: that the Dover Society should be represented on this.

This will entail a small fee.

MW

There will later be a public meeting about the future administration of the S. Edmund Chapel.

4. TREASURER

The Treasurer presented the accounts in writing and drew attention to the useful contribution earned by the tourist-signpost project.

The tax re-fund on the Halifax account interest had yet to be resolved.

The Peverley Paper

TB had consulted, as agreed, with Adams Printers, who offered a reduction of 20p per copy.

Agreed: to order a run of 500 copies, subject to written confirmation of the total price.

TS MW (JeG)

Financing the Newsletter

There was discussion about advertising and sponsorship policy.

Agreed: to approach Pfizers for a one-off sponsorship (which, in the ML light of KFAS experience, might be extended.)

5. MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY (reported in writing)

No new members to report.

Current total: 427 (Last number allocated: 708

6. SOCIAL SECRETARY

JL presented in writing the status quo of the remaining fixtures for 1998.

Booking for the Calais Trip (19 so far) continues until 1 July.

Details of the guided tour of Historic Calais awaited.

LW

7. PLANNING, KFAS and Local Government.

The M.P. had written to say that he would like to address the Society.

This must be non-party. JC suggests that this could be a debate about transport policy with, for example, J. Sloggett.

JC JW JL

Report on the DTC Town and Environment Committee of 27 May

Dover/ Calais Trade Fairs.

David Hannent excellent speaker. Invite to speak?

JW

JC

JL

Discussion continues DTC/DDC re basketball and roller-blading sites.

7. PLANNING etc. contd.

Tourist leaflets in French and Flemish have been distributed. English version awaited. DHB producing Marina Guide.

Millenium project : bandstand/ open-air theatre

CCTV on Town Hall but EH objection.

Planning sub-committee of 9 Jun.

Minutes attached.

Reported: The Cherry Tree Avenue scrap-yard for sale: suitable for development.

This could be the end of one of our sagas. Watch and wait.

8. PROJECTS

After the successful - and profitable - painting of the tourist signposts project work had continued by re-painting bollards Castle Hill and Connaught Road.

Application for funds had been made to Transco. Matching funding (£50) JO needed. MW

Sea Cadets Archives reported to be very complete (with work of DS recorded.)

9. PRESS SECRETARY

Agreed to seek more publicity for our events.

TS accepts responsibility for informing local Press, Radio and TV.

JL will inform for What's On as she does already for the Sea Cadets.

TS proposed Lord North (see current Dover Express article on monuments) JL as a possible future speaker.

10. EDITOR

Deadline for No. 32 : Monday 15 June.

Insert booking forms will cover the Bank of England visit.

A Newsflash will be needed for the Christmas Feast.

BA

Distribution: Arthur Goodburn indisposed. BA will distribute to distributors.

BA

A.O.B.

JG enumerated DHB current plans, including the bistro license application, and the meeting adjourned to celebrate AJW's 81st Birthday.

Date of next meeting: Thursday 9 July '98 at 7.30 p.m. at the RCPYC.

DOVER EXPRESS

11.6: DHB Granville Marina, De B phase 3: but Saga transferring some cruises to S'hampton

- : Consultants to save (?!) WCE
- : Luxury liners pour in
- : Jun 19/20 French Market Sq. mkt
- : Letters supporting police action v. cyclists
- : Citadel listed by EH as decaying: DSOC efforts
- : KCC seminar on Regional Role Jun 19
- : DDC Millenium Action Group within existing financial limits