

**Minutes of the 122nd meeting of the Dover Society held at 19.30 hrs on the 8th April 1999 at the Royal Cinque Ports Yacht Club**

**Apologies:**

Leo Wright, Derek Leach.

**Present:**

Jeremy Cope: Chairman.  
John Gerrard: Vice Chairman  
Mike Weston: Treasurer.  
Sheila Cope: Membership  
Jack Woolford: Planning.  
Meryl Lilley: Editor  
Joan Liggett: Social.  
John Owen: Projects  
Terry Sutton: Press  
Budge Adams, Mike McFarnell,  
Jennifer Gerrard, Sybil Standing

**Minutes of previous meeting**

The minutes of the 121st meeting of the committee were passed as correct.

1. **Matters arising**

Plaques.

Cleverley & Spencer have quoted £25 per plaque for erection. JC has written to John Moir ref options of either transfer to DDC or we get C & S to carry out erection. Hope for response by AGM.

Zeebrugge bell

Comprehensive discussion. DTC seem certain that it will remain in its present position as do others. New plaque needed - 200 words, to be agreed by LW and JW.

DTC twinning

JC has written to DTC about our two nominees - no response yet.

Awards

JC has contacted Mr Shanahan ref painting facades. He is keen on presentation. JC has written to John Moir and will report back at next meeting. One framed cert + unframed versions for householders. ? publicity Town Mayor.

2. **Chairmans report**

AGM

JC would like all sub-group chairs to give 3 minute presentation. JG to check if Mrs Sloggett will be dining.

DHB

JC asked JG who would be future contact. JG to check. (since agreed Mr Fawcus - Property General Manager)

3. **Secretary**

No report

4. **Treasurer**

Treasurer presented the financial statement and drew attention to the following: Final statement for 98/99 year on year increase £854.32 but deduct £166 advance subscriptions. We expected to pay for plaques but delayed. Subs this month £110. Printing up £110.13. Room hire up by £10 this month. Ins. next year £45. Wine & wisdom £65 profit. March meet lost £29.61. Zeebrugge wreath to cost £13.50. JC said how important that our social functions work and make a profit and asked Meryl to thank Bruce for advertising revenue activity.

MW reminded all that our newsletter costs now outstrip subscriptions and we need to get more sponsorship from local organisations.

5. **Membership**

SC stated 723 last number. Two new members. Mr Edmund Connell and Miss Christine Black. Total now 415.

6. **Planning**

JW gave KFAS details for AGM.  
Ref to Zeebrugge bell, Post Office demolition letters, Co-op, High St surgery, bandstand, dog fouling, nursing home planning issue Green Lane.

Also TCM breakfast meeting report, letter ref loss of assisted area status, Ramsgate star rating system, Regional Govt issue, Projectors for future meetings ? DTC to supply.

7. **Editor**

MW ? sponsorship from De Brad. poor trading in Feb. Schools competition. letter/poster. write to 6 heads. Newsletters to school libraries. JW stated no response received from March meeting brainstorming. ML queried future use of publication fund £1800 approx. Agreed she would put forward costs etc for Dove Society booklet of interesting articles from the newsletters.

8. **Social secretary**

Same as last month. Discussion about future events. Zeebrugge film. JW AD 1000 talk Tina Pullinger TCM, TS 50 years as a journalist, Derek Leach subject to be agreed. JC Ref to poor attendance at MP's meeting. If we repeat we need slides to balance the evening.

9. **Projects**

JO described the last in the series of youth clean-ups. St Edmund chapel project completed. Unitarian chapel 6 to attend. Next project August pageant. JO queried DHB crane work. JG to check with DHB. Kirk Alexander ?volunteers for visitors survey.

10. **Press secretary**

Nothing to report, but committee thanked TS for valuable coverage of the Society.

11. **Any other business**

TS has received a Chamber of Commerce document seeking our views on their suggestions. Ref to cable car scheme, JW to deal.

12. **Date of next meeting**

18th April 1999 informal farewell to the Gerrard's at 53 Park Avenue. 13th May 1999 at the Yacht Club for main committee.

The meeting ended at 21.25.