

The Dover Society

Minutes of the 143rd meeting of the Executive Committee held in the Royal Cinque Port Yacht club on Thursday 8th March 2001 at 19.30hrs.

Present:- Mr Jeremy Cope (chmn); Mr Bill Naylor (A/Sec); Capt. Michael Weston (Treas); Mrs Merril Lilley (Editor); Mr Derek Leach; Mr Hugh Gordon; Mrs Audrey Wood; Mr Barry Late; Mrs Joan Liggett; Dr Glyn Hale; Mrs Sheila Cope; Mr Jack Woolford; Mr Terry Sutton; Mr Michael Mc Farnell.

Apologies:- Mrs Leslie Gordon; Mr Leo Wright.

Minutes of the last meeting:-

The minutes of the 142nd meeting were considered and it was pointed out that a plaque to Richard of Chichester was to be considered and had been missed from the minutes. It was agreed that the record be amended.

Matters arising:-

'Budge' Adams.

Mr Leach reported that a meeting had taken place between himself, Mrs Cope and Mr Sutton, and the family of Mr Adams where the retention of archives and other papers was discussed in depth. It was agreed that the custody of all papers would remain with the family but would be freely available for use by the Society. Mr R. Adams suggested that consideration could be given to having the slide and photographs put on to CD disc(s) with a view to publishing them.

The memoirs of Mr Budge Adams would be edited by the family. It was recognised that some of the material was on loan from various sources and needed sorting. It was agreed with the family that the Society would undertake the task of cataloguing and possible publication. It was also agreed that all the material would be moved to Mr Adams house and Messrs Lilley and Leach would supervise its use.

Internet Site :-

Mr Late reported that work was still proceeding on the layout and content and a copy of a proposed scheme was circulated. and but there was still some confusion about where the site should be and how it should be set up. After discussion the question of the aims of the site was raised and the S/C were asked to examine and report on:-

- a) The budget required.
- b) The contents
- c) The management

It was proposed that a questionnaire be circulated round the Committee seeking their views.

Proposed T. Sutton

Seconded H. Gordon.

Agreed

Chairman's Report:-

Mr Cope reported that:-

- a) That the agenda for the AGM had been circulated to the E.C. and any amendments should be forwarded to him before lunch time 12 March.
- b) Flagstones. The D.D.C was seeking planning consent for the installation. The wording of the flagstones has been confirmed by the DTC.
- c) Golden Jubilee. The DDC had asked for ideas for the year 2002.
- d) Wine & Wisdom. The event had been a success and the Treasurer would cover this item in his report.
- e) The Chairman reported on his future activities.
- f) Mr Cope proposed that Mr Wraight be supported as a trustee for Crabble Mill. Agreed
- g) A letter had been received from Mr Ivan Green offering to donate all his published articles for the News Letter plus some which have been written but not yet published to the Dover Society. The gift to be completely free of any charges with a view to having them published in book form all profits (if any) to accrue to the Society. The book to contain only articles written by Mr Green who, as is customary, to retain the copyright.

Proposed : That the Offer be accepted.

Proposed T. Sutton.

Second. B. Late

Agreed

h) Historic Plaques. The chairman reported there had been a successful meeting of the plaque S/C and that plaque trail had been established, a copy was circulated to the EC for comments. It was agreed that the S/C would recheck before a final decision is made

Work on the Zeebrugge Bell stone tablets is due to start 19 March. Listed Building consent for the plaques was being sought and it was hoped that it would be received in time to allow for the manufacture and installation by St George's Day 23 April.

He was asked if the 10th plaque had been installed. It appears that this plaque is scheduled to go into the 'HERS' area which is still to be completed.

g) Revised Philomena Memorial; A letter has been sent to the Head Teacher at the DGGS a reply is awaited.

Secretary's Report:-

In the absence of the Secretary Mr Cope reported that a letter of thanks had been received from Miss Parkin and Mrs Jukes for the support given by the Society re. the path at Temple Ewell.

Treasurer's Report:-

A written report on the month's activities was distributed to all members of the EC together with a Financial Statement. These were both accepted.

Capt. Weston then proposed to donate the sum of £50 to Crabble Mill. After some discussion Mrs Cope and Mrs Lilley proposed that the sum be uplifted to £60. This was agreed.

Membership Report:-

Mrs Cope reported that Mrs A.S.Hall of Priory Hill had joined the Society and that the data base had been reviewed and that the total membership stood at 415.

Projects Report:-

Mr Late reported that all activity at Cowgate Cemetery had been put on hold by the K.K.C as part of the Foot & Mouth restrictions.

Planning:-

The minutes of the planning S/C meeting of 27th Feb. were circulated to the EC. Mr Woolford then expanded on items which had occurred since the last meeting. He had attended a meeting with the DTC Town & Environmental Committee which is dealing with the Buckland Village Concept and found that previous agreements made with the Deputy Town Clerk had been either ignored or reversed a letter expressing extreme displeasure with this action had been sent to the DTC.

The matter will be followed up at the next meeting of the Society's S/C.

Social Secretary:-

Mrs Ligget reported that she had received 40 applications for the trip to the London Eye, but not all had paid. The successful applicants will be informed. Applications for the trip on the Pocahontas were doing well.

Mr Woolford pointed out that speakers were still required for some of the future meetings. A short list of potential speakers was being prepared.

Press Secretary:-

Mr Sutton had nothing to report.

The Editor:-

Mrs Lilley reported that the News Letter would be going out on time. The system for booking for trips had been revised with new forms and a different location in the News Letter.

R.O.B.

Mr Gordon congratulated the Plaque S/C on the excellence of their production. This was agreed.

Date of the next meeting ¹² 19.04.01

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.54 hrs.

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