

The Dover Society

Minutes of the 150th meeting of the Executive Committee which was held on Thursday 8th. November 2001 at Forte's Post House Whitfield.

- 1) Present:- Mr & Mrs Gordon; Mr Leach; Mr Naylor; Mr Sutton (chmn); Capt. Weston; Mr Wood; Mr Woolford.
- 2) Apologies: Apologies were received from Mr & Mrs Cope; Mrs George; Dr Hale ;Mrs Liggett ;Mrs Lilley; Mr McFarnell;
- 3) Minutes of the 149th meeting: The minutes of the last meeting were read and were subject to the following amendments:-
 - Item 7. The Project Report Mr Gordon pointed out that the 'Saturday Team' were to be consulted about the cancellation of their Saturday work.
 - Item 5 The Treasurers Report. Mr Leach pointed out that the £800 paid to the Society was from Triangle Publications.Subject to the above, the minutes were agreed.
- 4) Matters arising from the minutes:-
 - 1) The next meeting will be held at the home of Mr & Mrs Cope.
 - 2) The Cowgate work will continue to take place on both Thursdays and Saturdays.
 - 3) Mrs Gordon reported that she had some additional volunteers to help with the recording of the Grave details.
- 5) The Philomena Memorial:

Mr Cope reported that discussions had been held with the Head of the sixth form at D.G.S. it was agreed that:-

 - a) The prize will be an achievement award for the L6 Art group to be made each May. It was hoped that Gordon King will take part in the first award ceremony.
 - b) The two pictures are to be given to the School and are to be on permanent display with the honours board.

After some discussion it was agreed that the sum of £25 be awarded to the winning girl. This award to be reviewed in five years time.

Mr Cope said that it had been suggested that the winner would display her work at the October meeting of the Society and give a five minute talk on her work and answer questions. The committee were in favour of the display and the questions but did not favour the idea of subjecting the girl to having to give a talk.

The idea that a 'Master Class' be held at the School was discussed and adjourned for further consideration.
- 6) The Chairman's Report:

Mr Sutton said that he had received a letter of resignation from Mr Wright who wished to leave the E.C. and return to being an ordinary member. The letter was read out to the Committee and Mr Wright's request was agreed.

Mr Cope, Chairman of Dover Charity Trustees had been asked to produce a list of commercial properties in the trust's ownership. He promised to seek advice from his officials and let us know the outcome.

Mr Sutton said that he had been consulted about the grappling iron to be placed on the War Memorial and to the wording of a plaque to accompany the iron, the words had been compiled by the Royal Marines Association of the City of London.

Various long term changes for Townwall St had been planned including cutting off the Russel St junction. and an interesting scheme for the residents of Heathfield Ave to "win back" their road from vehicles.

After discussion it was proposed that Mrs Jukes be invited to attend meetings of the E.C. as an observer with a view to being nominated for the Committee at the next A.G.M.

Proposed Mr Leach

Seconded Mr Gordon

Agreed

Mr Sutton concluded by saying that the Mayor of Dover had been invited to our Christmas Feast and that he had declined the offer of the Mayor to wear her chain.

7) The Secretary:

Mr Naylor said that there was little to report except that Mr & Mrs Cope had invited the Committee to meet at their home for the December meeting.

8) The Treasurer.

The Financial statement for the month was distributed and Capt. Weston said that the sum of £18 had been received in subscriptions and that £800 had been placed in our high interest account. The money had accrued from the sale of the book 'Dover - Memories of a Century' and had been passed to the Society by Triangle Publications. Capt. Weston went on to say that the Inland Revenue has agreed to the proposed scheme for "Gift Aid" and that the members would be circulated with a view to encouraging as many of the tax payers as possible to sign up.

9) Membership Secretary;

Mrs Cope sent a note to the effect that three new members had enrolled during the month. They are Mr & Mrs J Watson of Capel and Mrs Janet Whiteley of Ringwold. This brings the total membership up to 415.

10) Projects:

Mr Gordon reported that work was continuing at Cowgate on both Thursdays and Saturdays and good progress was being made. Mrs Gordon said that there were four new members in her team and that the recording of one plot was nearing completion.

11) Planning & Local Govt.

Mr Woolford distributed the minutes of the planning committee meeting of 30 Oct. One item of major interest was that the appeal by Mr Godden for an amusement centre in Lock's shop on the High St had been allowed. The Inspector saying it was a 'desirable mixture of shopping and leisure'.

12) Publications:

Mr Leach asked that the sum of £ 1800 which had been passed from Triangle Publications to the Publication Fund of the Society could be returned to help with the costs of the launch of the book Dover & the Monarchy (Ivan Green). It was proposed that the sum be passed back as a loan interest free for one year

Proposed Capt. Weston.

Seconded Mr Gordon Agreed

Mr Leach continued by saying that the idea of putting the slide collection of Budge Adams on to CD Rom was being investigated and that a commercial firm had been contacted. He concluded by saying that all the publications were selling well.

13) A.O.B.

The Treasurer said that he now got the address of the Western Heights Association and a subscription would now be sent.

14) Date of Next Meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 13 December at **59 Park Avenue Dover**