

# The Dover Society

## Minutes of the 157th meeting of the Executive Committee which took place in St Paul's Parish Room on Thursday 13th June 2002.

1) Present: Mr & Mrs Cope; Mrs George; Mr & Mrs Gordon; Dr. Hale; Mr Leach; Mrs Lilley; Mr McFarnell; Mr Naylor; Mr Sutton ( Chmn); Capt. Weston; Mr Woolford; Dr. Lane.

2) Apologies;

Apologies were received from Mrs Liggett.

3) Minutes of the last meeting.

Mr Naylor pointed out that two items from the last meeting had been omitted from the minutes. They were that the plaques for the Philomena Kennedy memorial ceremony had been completed and that arrangements were in hand to have a presentation. The second item omitted was that a request had been made from an overseas visitor to Dover to meet someone from the Society. It was agreed that Mr & Mrs Cope together with Dr Gale would meet them. Subject to the above additions the minutes which had been distributed were agreed.

4) Matters arising from the minutes

Mrs Cope reported on the meeting with the visitors from Canada .

5) The Chairman.

Mr Sutton reported that he had attended the DHB's consultative meeting and it had been announced that they are to set up a committee of local groups . It was assumed that the Society would be invited to join.

He also attended an exhibition on Transport Solutions for the South East . A list of recommendations was supplied and comments requested. Passed to the Planning S/c for further action.

On Wednesday 12 June a cheque for £641 was presented to St Radigund's school on behalf of an anonymous member of the Society.

An invitation has been received from Shrewbury Town Centre Residents Association. to a meeting in Birmingham. Dover TCM considered to be the appropriate body. Mr Cope to action.

A letter had be received from Mrs Griggs , a D.S. member, concerning traffic congestion. Already part of the Society's on going action.

A letter had been sent to DHB seeking clarification of their revision order ( 10 Kilometres from the Eastern Dock entrance). A detailed reply had been received.

6) The Secretary.

Mr Naylor reported that there was little to report but drew attention the many leaflets available concerning local activities.

7) The Treasurer.

Capt. Weston distributed the monthly Statement of Accounts and drew attention to the fact that £305.50 had been paid out for the Philomena Plaques; that £23.41 had been received from the sale of cakes at the pageant and £38 had been collected from advertisers in the News Letter.

8) Membership Secretary.

Mrs Cope reported that seven members had left the Society in the past month. The total membership was now 416. She expanded on the meeting with the overseas visitor who had come from Vancouver to investigate details of his family who had once lived in Dover. Dr Hale who

knows Vancouver well made them feel welcome but was unable to shed much light on their ancestors.

9) Planning & Local Govt.

Mr Woolford distributed the minutes of the last planning S/c and suggested that the time had come to lay the Charity Trustees saga to rest. Agreed.

He pointed out that a planning application had been submitted for a Beer Garden to be established behind the Images Night Club.

Mr Leach asked if a report could be obtained from our Cornmill Trust delegate of their AGM.

10) Social Secretary.

Mrs Liggett who was unable to be present sent a note saying that 31 members had attended Higham Park House producing a small profit

22 members had booked for the Globe Theatre, but only three had booked for Herstmonceux 25 were required to break even. 10 members had already booked for Agincourt.

Finally she asked for ideas for entertainment at the Christmas Feast.

11) Editor

Mrs Lilley said that she would be unable to meet the 1st of August deadline for the next News Letter because of difficulties with her computer and scanner.

12) Publications.

Mrs Lilley said that the Ivan Green book was now selling well, and that Mr Leach would report on the Budge Adams negotiations. Mr Leach said that the talks had been going well and agreement had been reached for room to be made available to members in the Town hall for recording the books in the Museum series and other activities. The maps had already been transferred to the Library.

He pointed out that from time to time items of interest cropped up which while of great interest were not sufficient in number warrant publication but could be reproduced as short papers from time to time and be made available to members for the cost of production (e.g. photocopies). It was agreed that a S/C drawn from the Adams Group be set up.

13) Any Other Business,

a) Mrs George drew attention to the state of the Co-op Car Park which she said had deteriorated, to be drawn to the attention of the management

b) It was proposed that Mr Kenneth Wraight be co-opted to the Executive Committee. Agreed

14) Date of the next meeting

11th July 2002.

There being no further official business the meeting concluded with congratulations to one of our Vice Presidents Mr Jack Woolford on reaching his 85 Birthday.