

The Dover Society.

The minutes of the 170th. meeting of the Executive Committee which was held in the Parish Room of St Paul's Church Dover on Thursday 17th October 2003.

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

2) Apologies: There were no apologies.

3) Minutes : The minutes of the 169th. meeting which had been circulated. were agreed with the amendment of the date recorded in the minutes to be changed from the 9th Oct To 11th.Oct.

4) Matters arising from the minutes:

Mrs Liggett reported that she had attended the Unitarian Church on the cancelled 'Open Day ' but there were *no* intended visitors.

5) The Chairman.

Mr Sutton reported that he sent three letters one to the DHB; one to DDC; and one to Mr Prosser complaining about the state of the Peter Becker Steps to the Beach from Aycliffe. No replies to date.

He also said that he had received details from the Civic Trust of three weekend training sessions about urban design etc. Cost £300 the training is to be held in Coventry. Applicants to reply by 10th Oct.

He concluded his report by checking that all arrangements for our first meeting of the year, 20 Oct. were satisfactory.

6) The Secretary.

Mr Naylor said that he had nothing to report except that he too had received details of the Civic Trust Courses.

7) The Treasurer.

Capt. Weston distributed the monthly statement of accounts and drew attention to the following points:-

- a) £25 has been given to the League of Friends Buckled Hospital.
- b) £200 has been received from Triangle Publications as a further repayment of the existing loan.
- c) £153.32 was received from the sale of binders.
- d) £35.41 paid out for stationary, postage etc.
- e) The French Trip made a loss of £56.32 however the summer outings in total were in profit.
- f) Quarterly interest from CAF cash account £95.99
- g) £50 sub. paid out for our web site.

8) The Membership Secretary:

Mrs Cope reported that there were no new members and that the total membership stood at 437.

9) Projects:

Cowgate:

Mrs Gordon said that work was started to produce a plan of all the identifiable graves in the cemetery.

Mr Cope reported that grass cutting was about to start. It had been agreed that dog walkers were to be warned to keep their animals under control. The DDC to be consulted.

River watch.

Mr Cope reported that it had been agreed that a committee be set up and discussions were taking place as to its duties. It had been agreed that it should draw up an Action plan which will cost £15000, funds have been pledged by the DDC £10,000, Mr McMahon property developer, £100,000 over ten years. It was agreed that the Treasurer should review our funds and make recommendations for a suitable donation from the Society.

10) Social Secretary

Mrs Liggett said that the meeting for Oct. 2004 would be held in the Biggin Hall as St Mary's would not be available. She also asked for support for the Christmas Feast as bookings were coming in very slowly.

11) Planning & Local Govt.

Mr Woolford gave out the minutes of the last meeting of the Planning S/C. There was a discussion on what was the intention of SE Tech. for the future of the old Art School in the Paddock. The situation to be monitored.

12) Web Site.

Mr McFarnell reported that the Web Site was still getting 'Hits' and that we had paid our subs for the current year.

13) Editor:

Mrs Lilley said that the dead line for articles for the next Newsletter was fast approaching and that she understood that at least two items were likely to be late. It was agreed that flyers would be inserted in the next issue advertising the Feast. Mrs Lilley also said that more advertisers were required and it was agreed that she write to Messrs Pizers seeking sponsorship.

14) Publications

Mr Leach said that he had nothing to report but on the B.Adams papers 1500 slides had been scanned and it was hoped that the project would be finished by Christmas.

15) Any Other Business.

Mr Woolford reported that plans were under way to have an other Piano concert possibly in April. It was agreed that he write to the Head teacher for Astor seeking permission to use their theatre.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.55hrs. The date of the next meeting 13 November 03