The Dover Society

Minutes of the 179th meeting of the Executive Committee which was held on Thursday 8th July 2004 in the Parish Room of St Paul's Church Dover.

- 1) Present: Mr & Mrs Cope; Mr Leach (chmn.); Mrs Liggett; Mrs Lilley; Mr Naylor; Mrs Reidy; Mr Sutton; Capt. Weston; Mr Woolford; Mrs Wright.
- 2) Apologies: Apologies were received from Mrs Gordon; Dr Hale, Mr McFarnell.
- 3) The minutes of the 178th meeting held on Thursday 10th June which had been circulated were agreed.
- 4) Matters arising from the minutes. There was further discussion on the Jarrett memorial the case to be considered further
- 5) The Chairman:. Mr Leach said that he had attended a presentation called 'Sea Britain 2005' which had been arranged by DHB.It was to draw attention to the 200th anniversary of the death of Nelson and in conjunction with the National Maritime Museum was intended to raise awareness of the sea. Any events arranged by the Society should have a maritime element.

Mr Leach also reported that he that had received a letter from Mr Horsfall of Aylesham who was arranging a Heritage Centre for the village and was looking for artefacts connected with the area for display.

- 6) The Secretary: Nothing to report.
- 7)The Treasurer: Capt. Weston distributed the monthly Financial Report and drew attention to the following Points:-
- a) £260 had been received in Subs for the current year and £12 in advance for next year. A £30 general donation plus £250 for the Project fund were received from anonymous donors
- b) £14 was paid out from the project fund for a safety visor.
- C)£5 had been forwarded to the Western Heights Preservation Fund.
- D)£200 has been received from Merril Lilley publications
- E)£1.44 for photocopying costs for May

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- F)£30 paid to the Treasurer to cover a parking fine incurred in conducting Society business
- g) The outing to Bateman's made £20 and the one to Lydd £4
- h) Bank interest for the last quarter came to £133.68. Average for the quarter £3.36%
- 8) Membership Secretary; Mrs Cope said that there were no new members this month the total number of members was now 445.
- 9) Projects: Mr Cope said that the Cowgate clearance was still making good progress and that the transcribing work was now complete.

A draft report on the River Dour was to be discussed by the Steering Committee and that the public relations aspect of the project was to be established.

- 10) Social Secretary: Mrs Liggett Reported that support for the outings had been good but a few more members were required for the remaining two..
- 11) Planning and Local Govt Mr Woolford distributed the minutes of the 84th meeting of the Planning S/C which was held on June 29. And went on to say that the D T C had discussed the provision of trees in the pedestrian precinct which was first suggested by the Society. The question of finance had been discussed and it appears that each tree was to cost £500. This provoked a vigorous discussion by the committee who felt that because it was the Society's idea it had to have D/S support. Mr Woolford was requested to look at

suitable schemes for raising sponsorship funds. Finally after a long discussion, it was proposed by Mr Sutton and seconded by Mr Naylor that a donation of £100 be paid up front with a review of further payments later.

Agreed.

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- 11) Press Secretary. Mr Sutton said that he had received a letter from the Dover Herald seeking details of the Dover Society. He said that he would forward a suitable reply.
- 12) Web Site. No report.
- 13) The Editor. Mrs Lilley said that she had made arrangements for the E- Mail addresses to be added to the front of the Newsletter and they should appear on the next issue.
- 14) Publications. There was no report this month.
- 15) Budge Adams. Mr Leach said that the scanning of 230 slides which had been selected for publication in the forth coming book had started.

The date of the next meeting is 9th September. There is no meeting in August.

Having no further business the meeting closed at 21.15hrs..