

The Dover Society

Minutes of the 193rd meeting of the Executive Committee held on Thursday 1st December 2005 in the Parish Room of St Paul's Church Dover.

1) Present: Mr & Mrs Cope; Dr Hale; Mr Lee; Mrs Liggett; Mr Mc Farnell; Mr Naylor; Mr Sutton; Capt. Weston; Mr Woolford

2) Apologies: Apologies were received from Mrs Gordon; Mr Leach; Mrs Lilley; Mrs Reidy

3) Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on ^{10 Nov} 1st December which had been circulated were agreed.

4) Matters arising:

Mr Sutton said that the inquiries into the provision of a personal microphone in St Mary's hall were taking place. Mr Cope reported that a new Advertising manager for the Society was required and urged everyone to seek a suitable replacement.

5) The Chairman.

In the absence of Mr Leach the chair was taken by Mr Cope Vice Chairman. He reported that the Chairman wished to congratulate the Editor on the production of the last Newsletter

He reported that we had been asked to publicise the activities of the Friends of the Museum. During the period 14th to 26th January .

6) The Secretary

Mr Naylor said he wished to extend congratulations to the Editor on the last Newsletter from the whole Committee.

7) The Treasurer

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

- a) £18 received in Subs. £6 for this year £6 for next year and £6 for the following year. A donation of £2 was also received.
- b) £146 from advertising revenue in the Newsletter
- c) A donation of £200 received from Merrill Lilley Triangle Publications has been added to the Publication Funds
- d) Five newsletter binders have been sold total £22.40
- e) £6.54 was spent on photocopying and stationery.
- f) The October function accounts are now complete and a surplus of £14.41 has been added to our funds. The raffle took £67.50 and when the cost of prizes, £23, 66 is taken into account, the net profit of £43.84 nearly covered the cost of the hire of the Hall

8) Membership Secretary

Mrs Cope said that there were no new members this month the total number now stood at 441.

9) Projects

Mr Cope said that the maintenance work was still continuing at Cow gate. And that a risk assessment is carried out before any new task is undertaken.

River Dour: It appears that an other meeting is due, however £600 has been allocated to 'River Watch for essential training for operatives using power tools in the river.

Mr Cope finished his report by saying that the DHB have agreed to paint the crane in the Wellington Dock

10) Social Secretary

Mrs Liggett said that there were 70 bookings for the Christmas Feast which included the Mayor and Mayoress. It was agreed that raffle tickets would be on sale during the arrival of members.

11) Planning and Local Govt.

Mr Woolford distributed the minutes of the 99th meeting of the S/C together with a statement from the Dover Pride organisation. He pointed out that a plan had been received from SEEDA, at Last, for the development of Buckland Mill. It had been examined by the S/C and agreed, a view which the E/C endorsed based on current local knowledge. A discussion then took place on a general meeting of the citizens of Whitfield. Capt Weston pointed out that according to the Society's Constitution Whitfield was not part of our remit. Mr Cope proposed that the Parish of Whitfield be included in the Society's Construction. 2nd Mr Sutton.. It was agreed that the matter be referred to the AGM.

The planning S/C proposed that the library be asked to open up the Roman Walls to the public. Agreed.

Further discussion took place on the condition of the Painted House. It was agreed that a letter be sent to the DTC and the DDC.. Mr Sutton agreed to pursue the matter.

Mr Woolford proposed that Mr Sensicle be invited to join the planning S/C. Agreed.

The acting chairman agreed that he would write to the London Rd Committee Group and congratulate them on the production of their calendar.

12) Press Secretary

The Society had front page leads in all the recent local newspapers.. Well Done T. Sutton.

13) Web Site.

Mr McFarnell said that there had been an increase number of 'Hits' to the Site

14) The Editor

Mr Lee said that he was busy preparing the next edition of the Newsletter.

15) Bleriot Memorial

Mr Cope said that the inquiries were continuing.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.35hrs.

Date of next meeting Thursday 12th January 2006

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