

# **, The Dover Society.**

## **The minutes of the 194<sup>th</sup>. meeting of the E/C/ which was held on January 12<sup>th</sup> 2006 in the Parish Room of St Paul's Church Dover.**

- 1) Present: Mr & Mrs Cope; Dr Hale; Mr Lee Mr Leach (chmn) Mrs Liggett; Mr McFarnell; Mr Naylor; Mrs Reidy; Mr Sutton; Capt. Weston; Mr Woolford.
- 2) Apologies : Apologies were received from Mrs Gordon; Mrs Lilley.
- 3) Minutes . The minutes of the meeting held on 12 January which had been circulated were agreed, subject to item 9 being amended to read that the Crane will be prepared for painting but the actual painting will be carried out by the Society.
- 4) Matters arising

The provision of a mobile microphone has been quoted at ~~£~~£699.12 after some discussion it was decided that subject to agreement by the Church to go ahead with the project.

Congratulations to the Organisers of the Christmas Feast was offered by everyone present. After some discussion it was agreed that civic guests of the Society should attend the Feast without charge.

There has been talks with the authorities at the Discovery Centre concerning the Roman Walls Mr Woolford agreed to report progress.
- 5)The Chairman.

Mr Leach said that there had been no volunteers as yet to fill the post of advertising manager but hope springs eternal. Mrs Lilley, former Editor, had resigned from the E/C due a change in her domestic circumstances . Thanks for her services were made by the Chairman and all present The position of the deterioration of the Painted House has been brought to the attention of both the DDC and the DTC. The question of the Town Loyalty Card was in hand.
- 6) The Secretary

Mr Naylor said that he had received a request from the DTC asking if the Society would be interested in supporting a 'Festival of Dover' in the year 2008. The request was an effort to find if there was sufficient interest in the town to take the matter further. After some discussion it was agreed that we should express interest and ask to be able to send a representative to any talks on the subject
- 7) The Treasurer.

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

  - A)£19.00 received from advertising.
  - B) Newsletter costs for the last edition amounted to £715.30
  - C) £83.28 paid from the Project Fund for repair and provision of equipment at Cowgate.
  - D) £13.39 spent photocopying etc last month.
  - E) The November meeting made a small profit off£6.94.
  - F) The accounts for the Christmas Feast are not yet complete but the raffle realised the sum of £201.22 which when the cost of prizes is deducted, £51.92, produced a net return of £149.30.
  - G) The quarterly interest on our 'CAF' account was £184.21

Capt Weston then circulated the annual report to the Charity Commission and asked for comments as there were none it was agreed that it should be submitted.
- 8) Membership Secretary

Mrs Cope said that there were four new members this month they are:-Ann & Jan Fagg of Castle Ave. & Jean & Roger Walkden. The total number of members is now 444.
- 9)Projects

Cowgate is still being maintained. A request has been received from the Town Clerk asking for help in compiling a book of Remembrance to be ready for the 11<sup>th</sup> November 2006. It was agreed to support. Trees . A meeting has been called by Mrs Moody of the KCC to discuss progress The meeting is to take place on 19<sup>th</sup> January. It was agreed that Mr Leach, Mr Woolford

& Capt. Weston would attend.

10) Social Secretary.

Mrs Liggett said that Dover College had been booked for the Christmas Feast in 2006. Bookings for the Wine & Wisdom were slow in coming in to date only 33 members had booked in.

11) Planning & Local Govt.

Mr Woolford distributed the minutes of 100 meeting of the Planning S/C . Mr Alan Sensicle attended his first meeting as a co-opted member .It appears that no reply had been received to our letters ref. Trees ( following this meeting it has happened,)

12) Web Site.

Mr McFarnell said that the number of 'Hits' to the site during 2005 amounted to 1134 which was slightly down on 2004.

13) The Editor

Mr Lee said that the deadline for the next edition of the newsletter was 1<sup>st</sup> February

14) Publications.

Mr Leach said that Mrs Lilley would continue in her position until all the B.Adams books were sold. The addition of texts to the Adams slides was going apace and was nearly complete.

15) Bleriot Memorial

Inquiries are still continuing. It was agreed that a letter be sent to the CEO of English Heritage drawing attention to the need for maintenance of the site.

16) A.O.B.

Mr Leach drew attention to the exhibition in the Museum of the Market Square.

Mr Lee asked if the Society had ever considered producing its own Christmas Card. After some discussion it was agreed to examine the practicalities of the suggestion.