

The Dover Society.

The minutes of the 204th meeting of the E/C which was held on the 7th December 2006 in the Parish Room of St Paul's Church Dover.

1) Present: Mr & Mrs Cope; Dr Hale; Mr Lee; Mr Leach (Chairman) Mrs Liggett; Mr Naylor; Mrs Reidy Capt. Weston; Mr Woolford. Mrs Hooper and Mr Late were in attendance.

2) Apologies. Apologies were received from Mr Sencicle Mr Sutton Mr McFarnell.

3) Matters arising. Before the meeting started Mr Late gave a presentation on the responsibilities of the Society to those members who form the work teams at Cowgate. Both health and safety aspects and insurance were covered such as who owned the machines- strimmers- who was in charge, training and also the cover provided by our insurance in the case of injury or death to the workers. This provoked some discussion and finally it was agreed that the Chairman should sign a statement drawn up by Mr Cope and Mr Late setting out our risk assessment for Cowgate. A vote of thanks was agreed by all present to Mr Late for his time and very hard work put into the preparation of both the presentation and the Health and Safety statement.

Condatt Visit. Mr Leach reported how the small group of the E/C had travelled to France and met their counter parts and discussed possible arrangements for mutual visits. After some discussion it was decided that the first meeting would be the French coming to Dover on the 6th June 2007, providing their own transport spending the morning on Dover followed by lunch in the Town Hall which would be open to all Society members and then travelling to Canterbury. After the Canterbury visit they would go direct to the Port for their return home.

The September meeting where the Dover members would go to Condette was still subject to further arrangement.

3) The Treasurer.: Capt. Weston distributed the annual financial report. After a brief discussion it was proposed by Mr Cope and seconded by Dr Hale that the accounts be accepted. Agreed. Capt. Weston then drew attention to the monthly financial position which was as follows:

- A) £26 received in subs.
- b) The sale of Society's Christmas Cards last month realised £392.0
- C) Paid to Canterbury Archaeological Trust £ 250
- D) Our sub to KFAS £10
- E) £162.51 from the Project Fund for the maintenance and provision of equipment for Cowgate
- F) The November meeting returned a deficit of £29.15

Capt. Weston then proposed a vote of thanks to Mr Cope for his help and advice in the preparation of the accounts.
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4) Membership Secretary; Mrs Cope said that there were no new members this month and the total number of members was 449

5) Projects. Mr Cope reported that the working party at Cowgate was 'rained off' this month. The River Side walk has been opened and there was agreement that the Steering Committee would meet twice a year to monitor further progress.

6) Planning & Local Govt. Mr Woolford gave out the minutes of the 109th meeting of the Planning Sub- Committee and pointed out that Mr Solly of the DDC drew attention to the fact that seven trees had been destroyed and suggested that replacements should be provided - three by the DDC and four by the ~~DDC~~. When asked about a plaque, replied that there would not be a plaque but the Society's part in the provision of the trees would appear on permanent display on DDC. hoardings.

A letter of rebuke was prepared for sending to the chief Planning Officer concerning the granting of retrospective planning permission to NT Rix. The minutes were agreed.

7) Social Secretary. Mrs Liggett said that 122 people had booked for the Christmas Feast. This was the highest number anyone could remember. Mrs Reidy asked about the position of a table for the raffle. (display of prizes etc) after a short discussion it was agreed that the raffle should be conducted along the usual lines.

8) The Editor. Mr Lee pointed out that the last date for copy for the spring edition of the Newsletter was 14.2.07. He went on to say that 500 packs of Christmas cards had been sold, this means that the total number (2000) of cards printed were a complete sell out.

9) The Bleriot Memorial; Mr Leach said that a committee set up by the DDC had scheduled a meeting for Friday 15 December.

10) AOB There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.20 hrs. Date of the next meeting 11.1.07.