

The Dover Society

The minutes of the meeting of the E/C which was held on 10th April 2008 in the parish room of St Paul's Church Dover

- 1) Present: Mr Cope; Dr Hale; Mrs Hooper ; Mr Lee; Mr Leach (chmn); Mrs Marsh; Mr Naylor; Mrs Reidy; Mr Sutton; Mr Wanstall; . Mr Woolford.
- 2) Apologies: Apologies were received from Mrs Cope; Mr McFarnell; Mr Sencicle; Capt. Weston.
- 3) Minutes: The minutes of the meeting of 13th March which had been circulated were agreed.
- 4) Matters arising. The occupier of the house at the junction of Effingham Cres. and Saxon St had been contacted and had no objections to the inscription on the gable end of the house being renewed. DTC informed. The system of nominations for elections to the E/C was discussed.
- 5) The Chairman. Mr Leach said that he intended to take part in the Zeebrugge Day (23 April) activities, and that the items for his report had been already been covered in the previous item.
- 6) The Treasurer. In the absence of Capt. Weston Mr Cope distributed the monthly financial report and drew attention to the following points:-
 - a. £232.00 received in subs, plus a donation of £8.00 towards the Newsletter.
 - b. £1.40 Postage for the Newsletter.
 - C £ 5 paid to Western Heights Preservation Society . Our annual sub.
 - D £ 80 paid to the Crabble Corn Mill Trust as agreed .
 - E £ 238.98 received from Doug. Welby from sales of our Western Heights booklet.
 - F. £23.42 surplus from the March meeting . Thanks to Jeremy for £104 from the raffle
 - G. Interest for the last quarter from the Caf account £303.24 (5%)

Tallis Concert. A note from the treasurer said that the limit for our ^{quarter} subsidy had not been reached, and only £540. had been banked by the end of March. This generated a lively discussion on the next step, it transpired that there did not appear to be anyone in direct control of the arrangements .It appears that no one was sure how many tickets had been sold or how many had been asked for but not yet paid for or when our thousand pound would be required. Finally Mr Sutton proposed and Mr Woolford seconded that Provided that the maximum sum of £1000 is the total liability of the Society the original conditions we set for the end of March could be lifted.. Agreed.

- 7) Membership Secretary. Mrs Cope sent a note informing us that there had been one New member, Mrs C.R. Morecroft bringing the total number of members to 464.

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8) Projects: Connaught Park; Mr Tunstall Said that the tree for planting was ready for viewing Mr Leach and one other agreed to go to the nursery and chose it. Mr Wanstall went on and said that his request to the Council for a sign post in the town for the Park had been rejected and that we have still to approve the legend on the plaque.

River Dour. Mr Cope said that there had been a meeting of the steering committee where it was reported that some of the islands in the river had been lowered and flood controls have been implemented. Funding provided by the Folkestone & Dover Water Co. EA

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9) Planning & Local Govt. Mr Woolford gave out the minutes of the 124th meeting of the planning sub- committee which was held on 1st April. He pointed out that Mrs P Jukes had resigned leaving two vacancies on the committee. Mr Naylor volunteered and much to his surprise was accepted.

10) Press Secretary:

Mr Sutton said that here had been numerous mentions of the Society in the local press.

11) The Editor Mr Lee received congratulations on the recent edition of the Newsletter and he asked for a volunteer to cover the AGM. Mr Sutton agreed to provide a report for the next edition.

12) Bleriot Memorial Mr Leach reported that the minutes of the last meeting had not yet been released.

13) A.O.B.

Arrangements for the AGM are now in place no foreseeable snags. A discussion on sending important 'news' which originate between meetings and require action before the next meeting by Email to those members of the committee who own computers agreed subject to those who are not computerists being informed by 'snail' mail.

Mr Wanstall reported that the toilets on the sea front which were open in the summer only were a disgrace DTC to be informed. A further point the cost of the lighting of the town hall clock now said to be £4500 down from £6000.

There being no further business the meeting closed with thanks for past services to Mrs Reidy who is not standing for re- election. 21.50hrs.