

# The Dover Society

## The minutes of the meeting of the E/C which took place in St Paul's Parish Room on the 4<sup>th</sup> December 2008

- 1) Present: Mr & Mrs Cope; Dr Hale; Mrs Hooper- Sherratt; Mr Leach; Mrs Marsh; Mr McFarnell; Mr Naylor; Mr Sencicle; Mr Sutton; Capt. Weston: Mr Woolford.
- 2) Apologies ; Apology was received from Mr Lee.
- 3) Minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2008 which had been circulated were agreed.
- 4) Matters arising. Mr Leach said that steps should be taken to prepare a leaflet on the proposed celebrations of the first flight across the Channel of M. Bleriot, these are to take place this summer. This was agreed and contact will be made with the DDC .
- 5) The Chairman. Mr Leach said that business was rather slack at the moment and the only item of note was that he had received an invitation to the Mayor's Ball which he proposed to accept on behalf of the Society.
- 6)The Treasurer Capt. Weston distributed the monthly financial commentary and drew attention to the following points:-
  - I) £18 in subs for the current year.
  - Ii) Postage etc for the month came to £6.66.
  - Iii) The November meeting made a profit of 27.01 thanks to an excellent return from the raffle of £117.
  - Iv) On the 6<sup>th</sup> November the Society received a gift of twenty five shares in Rocket Benckiser Group Plc. The share price on 29<sup>th</sup> December was 2507penc giving a sale value of £626.75. The anonymous donor said the dividend was around £12 pa. A discussion followed and eventually it was proposed by Mr Sutton and seconded by Mrs Ripley that the money be put on one side and be used to maintain the Town Hall Mr McFarnell proposed and Dr Hale seconded that a separate fund be set up called the Town Hall Account. Both proposals were agreed
- 7) The Membership Secretary: Mrs Cope said that there were no new members this month and the total membership remains at 446.
- 8)Projects. The maintenance of 'closed' cemeteries is one of the many duties of the Council and discussions are taking place to arrange a periodic mowing schedule.
- 9)Social Sec. Mrs Hooper- Sherratt said that the current number for the Christmas Feast stood at 76. There was a discussion about two councillors as to whether they should pay for their tickets. This was resolved by Mr Woolford offering to pick up the tab on their behalf.
- 9) Planning & Local Govt.

Mr Woolford said that he had sent out the minutes of the planning S/C meeting by E- Mail to all the E/C/ members It was suggested that a letter should be sent to the local Authority asking for the implementation of the ' Sustainable Act' leading to the compulsory purchase of the derelict cinema in Castle St.
- 10) The Editor.

Congratulations from all the E/C on the production of the December Newsletter.
- 11) A.O.B. Mrs Hooper-Sherratt said that Muriel the lady who supervises the Tea making activities at Public meetings has resigned after many years of excellent service. After a discussion it was agreed that a suitable presentation be made; value £50.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.10 hrs.