## The Dover Society

## Minutes of the meeting of the E/C held on 14<sup>th</sup> May 2009 in the Parish room of St Paul's Church Dover.

1) Present: Mr & Mrs Cope; Dr Hale; Mr & Mrs Hooper - Sherratt; Mr Lee; Mr Leach (chmn) Mrs Marsh MrMcFarnell; Mr Naylor; Mr Sutton; Capt. Weston.

2) Apologies; Apologies were received from Mrs Rapley; Mr Sencicle; and Mr Woolford

3) Minutes: the minutes of the meeting of 14 May which had been circulated were approved.

4 Matters arising. Several items from the History of the last 200 years of Dover have been added to the web site and more are being prepared as the site is expanded.

5) The Chairman: Mr Leach reported that he had attended a meeting of the Friends of Dover War Memorial who were seeking donations. A proposal had been received from an other group seeking to hold guided walking tours of Dover during the forthcoming Summer. They too were seeking donations. There followed a short discussion when it was agreed that a donation of £50 should be sent to the War memorial group and that the 'Walkers' should be advised to consult the Ramblers Association as insurance and the associated premiums may be involved.

A letter had been received from Mr Wanstall drawing attention to the following:- 1) That the full Electoral Roll was not available to the general public. 2) That some of the seats on the sea front were in need some TLC. 3) That the stone seated figure of a coal miner on the sea front 'May' be moved, 4) and finally that the St James church wall is in need of repair. All items were noted.

6) The Treasurer: Capt Weston gave out the monthly financial report and drew attention to the following points;

- 1) Subs received this month amounted to £946.00
- 2) We paid out £230 for our annual insurance premium and £170 subscription to the Civic Trust. After cashing our cheques they promptly went in to administration. We have

however, received, in writing, assurance that our insurance cover will last until 31<sup>st</sup> March 2010.

 Paid to Adams The Printer £695.00 for the last Newsletter and £35.50 was spent on Postage to the 'out of town members.

- 4) Received £308 from Newsletter adverts
- 5) Photocopying and stationary came to £ 53.79
- 6) £100 paid to Langdon Parish Council on behalf of the Action Group costs in fighting the proposed wind turbines in Langdon
- 7) £19.55 from the project fund for equipment at Cowgate.
- 8) £36.00 to the Royal British Legion for two wreaths.
- 9) £396.68 received from the sale of 201 copies of the booklet Dover's Hidden Fortress
- 10) The AGM was in surplus for the evening to the sum of £44.65 thanks to a very good raffle which brought in £132.81.

7) Membership Secretary. Mrs Cope reported no new members. Total 448.

8) Projects. Mr Cope said that Cowgate was going well and that there was a very good turn out for the river Dour Cleanup. The Heritage open day was now eight places to visit and that a price of £141 had been obtained for printing the publicity leaflets.

9) Social Secretary. Mrs Hooper said that two more members were required for the Aylesford trip and that

Nicholas Harby had agreed to play at the Christmas Feast.

10) Planning & Local Govt. Mr Sherratt.in the absence of Mr Woolford , went through the minutes of the last meeting of the planning s/c. which had been circulated

11) The Press Sec, reported that the Society was frequently in the local News.

12) The Editor. Mr Lee said that the deadline for articles for the next edition of the Newsletter was 3<sup>rd</sup> June

13) Bleriot. Mr Leach said that he had been informed by the DDC that the points made in his last letter had been noted but it was early days yet

14) AOB: there was no Further business the meeting closed at 20.50hsr.