The Warnham Society

Minutes of Committee Meeting No. 92. held on Monday March 4th at Sands, Warnham

Present - Mrs Dales, Chairman Mr R. Newman

Mr A.G. Brand Mr M Rogers

Mrs S. Dutton Miss V. Rönaasen

Mr G. Elliott Mrs O. Thornton

1. Apologies for Absence - Mr Courtier, Mr Parker-Smith, Mr Purcell.

2. Minutes of Meeting - held on January 23 January 2002 were accepted after a minor addition.

3. Matters Arising -

- a. <u>Civic Trust Membership:</u> Mrs Dales referred to photocopies of the Society's Committee Minutes referring to the Civic Trust issue circulated with the Agenda. After discussion it was agreed that Mrs Dales should consult FASS colleagues on the benefits, or otherwise, of continuing membership and report back to the Committee at its next meeting
- b. <u>Proposed re-routing of electricity poles</u> at Warnham Lodge Farm, Northlands. Mrs. Dales reported on behalf of Mr Purcell that he could see no grounds for an objection with which the Committee concurred. Professor and Mrs Dales have, written in their personal capacities, expressing their concerns.
- c. <u>Golden Jubilee:</u> it was reported that a further meeting is planned for this week. It will be attended by Mr Brand who undertook to report back to the Committee on the proposed celebrations.
- d. <u>Vandalism:</u> A survey of young people and their expressed needs has been undertaken by Mr S. Ritchie, a member of the action group set up to counter vandalism in Warnham.
- **4. Treasurer's Report:** Mr Brand said that funds stood at £422.31 after payment of exceptional printing expenses, but before some recent membership cheques.
- **5. Membership:** Mrs Dales reported, in Mr Courtier's absence, that 96 membership subscriptions had been paid to date. There has been one resignation.

6. Planning:

- a. Mrs Dales reported that the Warnham Court Farm planning application (WN/52/00) has been withdrawn. However, the Tilletts Lane application has not been withdrawn, its outcome has not been determined. Mrs Dales will write to ascertain the current position, The Committee will continue to monitor planning developments for both sites.
- b. WN07 Mr Rogers reported that the owners of "Woodstock" (off Bailing Hill) have applied

to have an agricultural occupancy condition removed. It was agreed that Mrs Dales would write a brief letter on behalf of the Society objecting to the lifting of this condition as an issue of principle.

<u>WN09</u> Mrs Dales reported that Thornton's hairdressing establishment is applying to have the business part of the property revert to residential use. After discussion it was agreed that Mrs Dales would write in support of this proposal.

7. Transport Management:

a <u>A24</u>: Work aimed at making the south of Horsham safer has begun. Discussions continue on finding the optimal solutions to the three major junctions. Regarding the new single carriageway road from Great Daux to Capel, Mr Purcell has ascertained that the £300K thought to be available for related roads is in fact budgeted to improvement works at Kingsfold. Funding has yet to be authorised for the new road. Surrey CC are progressing this proposal with the Government Officer of the South-East (GOSE).

b. <u>Final Traffic Management Report:</u> Copies were distributed to Committee Members, copies of individual questionnaire responses were made available for those who wanted them. Mrs Dales and Mr Purcell are to present the report to the Parish Council meeting on March 11th. They expect the P.C.'s support, or otherwise for the report to be expressed at its meeting on 15 April. Failure to gain this support would result in the project being aborted.

The Committee expressed their sincere thanks to Mrs Dales and Mr Purcell for their efforts in producing the final report

- **8. Spring Meeting** It is to be held on Thursday 11th April 2002. Mr John Collis will speak on "Waste Management". Our aim is to provide the audience with a balanced, informed, up-to-date view on this subject and the promote rational debate. It was agreed that Kingsfold Residents Association and Warnham Parish Councillors should be invited to the meeting. Other arrangements include
 - a. Village Hall booked.
 - b. Non-Members to be charged £1 admission fee to be collected by Mr Brand and Mr Newman, who will also accept membership subscriptions.
 - c. Coffee Mrs Thornton
 - d. Wine Mr Elliott
 - e. Publicity Mrs Dales
- **9. Correspondence and Reports:** Mrs Dales advised the meeting about documents received from the Civic Trust and the CPRE including the opportunity to nominate persons for elections to the Civic Trust's so Executive Committee. It was agreed all documents would be put on circulation to committee Members for their attention (Action Mrs Dales)

10 Any Other Business:

a. Mrs Dales advised that Mr Courtier would be leaving the district shortly The Committee expressed its unanimous thanks for Mr. Courtier's contribution both as Committee Member and Membership Secretary Mrs Dales undertook to write to Mr Courtier expressing the Committee's gratitude and best wishes.

Mrs Dales pointed out that a volunteer was required to replace Mr Courtier as Membership Secretary, computer skills are not a job requirement. It was agreed that a Mr J. Crockford should be approached to join the the Society and the Committee in a move to maintain Committee strength. It was also agreed that the note to Society members regarding the Spring Meeting should include a call for Committee membership.

b. Mrs Thornton reported that the section of Byfleets Lane off Broadbridge Heath Road is now signed as Byfleets Lane formally Granny's Lane. The Committee expressed its pleasure at Mrs Thornton's achievement and authorised her to mention the Society's gratitude in her letter of thanks to Mr Flack of HDC.

11. Date of Next Meeting: Monday 22 April 2002, 8pm at Sands.