

Worthing Archaeological Society

Minutes of a Committee Meeting held at 180, Upper Brighton Road, Worthing on Tuesday 17 March 2015

Present: Mr Keith Bolton (Chair), Mrs Connie Shirley, Mrs Gill Turner, Mrs Liz Lane, Mrs Margaret Maroney, Mr John Green, Miss Amie Friend and Mrs Jacqueline Lake

1. **Apologies:** Mrs C Hutchins, Mr Andrew Bell, Mrs Josephine Thornton, Mr Roy Plummer, Mr John Mills and Mr Ian Robertson
2. **Minutes of the Last Meeting:** Were accepted.
3. **Matters Arising:**
 - i. No matters arising
4. **Field Unit Update**
 - a) **Slindon**
A meeting to be scheduled with the National trust
 - b) **Lower Farm, Walberton** - The report has been published and there will be no further reporting on this area
 - c) **Angmering**
 - I Pete Brannlund is appointed Project Director and Amie Friend is appointed Assistant Project Manager
 - li A site meeting has taken place at which the project was discussed with Parish Councillors
 - lii All necessary Permissions have now been received.
 - lv Schools and Community involvement have been agreed
 - v Storage of equipment etc. has been agreed.
 - vi The Monday Tuesday and Wednesday will be devoted to local school children and the Thursday Friday, Saturday and Sunday will be allocated for archaeology by WAS and the public
 - d) **Lambleys Lane Limekiln** - A report is to be written up for last year 2014 which will form the basis of the project report for this year 2015
 - i The Area is to be re-surveyed to consolidate the data from last year and Wealden Downland Museum is to be consulted about the necessary processes for conservation of buildings.
 - li Mike Tristram has several sites within Sompting which he would like to be investigated.
 - e) **Research Group** –
 - i Copies of the Tythe Maps of Walberton and Binstead are now available for consultation
 - f) **Bob Kowalski's Flints**
 - i We will support the project. We will produce a PD for Auguring
 - li We will ensure CEDAS are consulted and communication is established with them by Bob Kowalski
 - g) **Dave Rudling's Garage**
 - i Contact and Liaison with Dave Rudling was agreed concerning the content of his garage in particular material associated with Con Ainsworth and Gobblestubs

5. **Finance** - Mrs Shirley advised that the accounts are similar to last month's.
6. **Membership** – Mrs Lane advised there are 78 paid up members, 15 honourable members and 27 life members.
7. **Secretary's Report** – Nothing to report
8. **Newsletter and Journal** -The Newsletter is to go out early April.
 I The Journal content associated with WW1 is currently under discussion with Rodney Gunner.
9. **Website** -
 I An update to the website was discussed. A photo archive was suggested.
 li It was agreed that a request be sent out for relevant photos with identities. These are to be sent to John Green for possible inclusion on the web site.
10. **Planned events**
 - i. A Day School on Snails will take place on 16th May in Lambleys Barn
 - ii. A Day Schools in February 2016 with David Bone on The Historic Building Stones of West Sussex
 - iii. A date to be agreed in 2016 with David McComish on a Pre-historic topic
 - iv. A date and topic to be agreed with Miles Russell

A vote of thanks was given to Mrs Gill Turner for all her hard work in organising all the recent and planned very successful Study Days
11. **Any Other Business**
 - i Loss of specialist support to Local Councils. Keith Bolton gave an update on the current position from the Sussex Archaeology Forum. There is a proposed Template Letter on the subject which he will disseminate to committee members
 - li Mrs Liz Lane will respond to the CBA Newsletter
 - lii Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings Annual Working Party at Sulington 5-11 July 2015. We will advertise it in our Newsletter but are not able to supply technical support this year. John Crane will be asked to be our official Representative.
 - lv We are pursuing various options for the disposal of the book collection.
 - v CDAS Monthly Newsletter will be distributed to the committee members
12. **Date of Next Meeting - At Mrs Liz Lane's** on Tuesday 19 May 2015 at 7.30pm at 5 Smugglers Walk Goring by Sea BN12 4DP. Mrs Shirley was thanked for her hospitality and especially for the excellent cake.

Keith Bolton Chairperson

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