

Sylvia

WARDLE CIVIC SOCIETY

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 7th December at 7.30pm.

Present: J.Rickards S.Lear A.Lines M.Pearson J.Roberts H.Kenyon  
A.Southerton B.Wright B.Schofield P.C. K.Hutchins

Apologies: B.Clifton

Approval of minutes from November meeting, with addition that C.Darnbrough was also present.

Matters Arising

1. Possible Rural Show, Watergrove

J.Rickards & B.Clifton to contact other local groups to ascertain level of interest/willingness to be involved. No discussion of funding until this is established.

2. St. James' Church building

No update yet received from A.Dearnley.

Over 50 ideas for suggested uses of the building put forward- J.Rickards will compile the complete list and produce photocopies. Copy will be sent to the R.M.B.C.Heritage group, as requested.

C of E has a Board of Social Responsibility with a community counsellor (contact person is a Ms.Doreen Fineran) Bernice Clifton will be asked to contact her, regarding future uses for the church.

Pastoral Order confirmed, 1st November 1995.

3. Demolition Sign outside old school site -still there despite telephone request for removal. B.Wright will contact Environment Dept. R.M.B.C.

4. Pennine Township Sub-committee meeting 16th November

Attended by A.Lines and S.Lear who raised 3 matters in Open Forum:-

a) Missing tourist information board. Officer informed us that there is to be a boro' wide survey of these signs. We suggested that money should be made available for routine maintenance, bearing in mind the amount spent on the recent Pioneers' 150 year celebrations in the town.

b) Grasscutting Village Green-Annual autumn cut required for wild flower meadowgrass area, not done as yet.

c) Obstruction of path to recreation ground from between 11/13 Alpine Drive still not cleared. Officer agreed to look into this. Within a week a council letter regarding illegality of tipping was received by all residents of Alpine Drive.

Next sub-committee meeting 22/2/96 at 6.15pm. at Wardle Community Centre.

5. Village Green

25 kgs. of daffodil bulbs planted by Phil and Anne Lines and Sylvia Lear, on 19th. November.

6. Footpaths

No reply yet from Mr.T.Woods about attendance at our Jan or Feb meeting.

B.Schofield has contacted the footpaths officer: survey reveals that 28 signs are missing in the Wardle area. Will contact footpaths officer.

7. Newsletter prepared by A.Lines, and distributed by I.Rhodes. A copy has

been sent to the Civic Trust.

#### Treasurer's Report

See separate page. Membership now 55.

#### Secretary's Report.

1. Letter received from Church Commissioners confirming Pastoral Order 1st November 1995.
2. Notification that the appeal against planning refusal for building at Ashbrook Hey has been turned down, received from the Planning Inspectorate, Dept. of the Environment.
3. Offer of a year's free membership of the "Woodland Trust" received, following our donation to the Whittaker Wood Project. We will accept.

#### Oral History Project

Brief written report received from B. Clifton. Committee agreed that a more detailed report is required, so that the full committee can appraise the project and consider long term aims and any further funding, now the initial six-month period has been completed. (reference; page 2, April 1995 minutes) The decision to house the archive at the library, when completed, was made when the project was approved by the committee.

#### Planning matters

No planning applications of concern.  
Appeal by developers against refusal for building in "green space corridor" at Ashbrook Hey dismissed by Planning Inspectorate

#### Police Matters

- 1) P.C. Keith Hutchins reports that the Police are to take steps to reduce drink/drug problems with youth in the village. He will give a report on this in the new year.
- 2) The Baptist Mission "Ark Bus" sited some evenings at Clough Street, near the recreation ground, is causing concern to local residents because of the unruly behaviour and vandalism caused by some of the youths attracted to the Ark.

#### Any other business

1. Bus Shelter: Wardle Square
  - (a) Base has been re-cemented due to coming loose as a result of footballs being kicked against it.
  - (b) Light replaced.
2. The Annual Dinner has been booked for 8pm. on the 18th. January at Stubbley Hall restaurant. Definite individual bookings for (i) meal, (ii) transport to J. Rickards by next meeting please

The meeting finished at 9pm. the Chairman wishing all present a "Happy Christmas"

The next meeting will be on Thursday 4th. January at 7.30 pm. in the Library.

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Treasurer's Report 7.12.95

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| Girobank deposit account (Tree fund) |           | 170.35        |
| (Society)                            |           | <u>129.67</u> |
|                                      |           | 300.02        |
| Girobank current account             |           | 240.45        |
| Cash on hand                         |           | <u>12.99</u>  |
|                                      |           | <u>553.46</u> |
| Balance at 2.11.95                   |           | 546.65        |
| Received: Subs                       | 2.00      |               |
| Refund - photographer                | 26.35     |               |
| Coffee money                         | 1.60      |               |
|                                      |           | <u>29.95</u>  |
|                                      |           | 576.60        |
| Expenditure: Stamps                  | 2.64      |               |
| Telephone                            | 50        |               |
| Poppy wreath                         | 20.00     |               |
|                                      |           | <u>23.14</u>  |
|                                      |           | <u>553.46</u> |
| Membership                           |           |               |
| Ordinary                             | 27        |               |
| Pensioner                            | 22        |               |
| Junior                               | 1         |               |
| Life                                 | <u>5</u>  |               |
|                                      | <u>55</u> |               |