

WARDLE CIVIC SOCIETY



Minutes of the meeting held on 16th April 1998

Committee members present : B Clifton, B Fitzsimons, S Lear, J Rickards,
J Roberts, A Southerton.

Other members present : A Dearnley, L Fitzsimons MP, C Gibson,
Mr Uren, B Wright.

The opening discussion was on the Pennines Township Manager's role as carried out by Sue Thornton. We were informed by Sue of the many aspects and responsibilities involved in doing such a job, be it lead officer for Pennine Township Committee or co-ordinating and monitoring Council service delivery. To establish and maintain links with the local community to ascertain local needs and prepare an annual report for Pennine Township. These are but a few of the many tasks undertaken by Sue.

A letter will be sent to Sue thanking her for taking the time to attend our meeting and giving us such an interesting insight into her job.

The **MINUTES** of the meeting of 5th March were approved as a true record with the exception of two omissions. No attached sheet from our Treasurer was printed and apologies from Bernice were also missed. Our apologies to both ladies.

There was a discussion of matters arising from these minutes :-
Ashley planned to talk to Beryl about approaching various Officers at R M B C who may be able to advise or help with our enquiry on the supply or funding for Astra Turf and lighting the 'Rec'.

POLICE MATTERS : No officer present.

TREASURER'S REPORT : See details attached.

SECRETARY'S REPORT : Various letters have been forwarded to us from Ashley on the subject of dog fouling. We shall send out Dog Fouling stickers with the minutes as well as more information on numbers to ring.

PLANNING MATTERS : Nothing to report.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS : The Society will send a letter to G Lucas of Environmental Action Unit at RMBC to ask if it possible to have the graffiti removed from the church.

The date of our next Society meeting will be Thursday 4th. June 1998.

Apologies from Barbara who will not be able to attend.



DOG FOULING

There were many references to dog fouling in the questionnaire we sent to members in January. We have since contacted the Environmental Action Unit at the Council who agreed to send us the enclosed free signs for residents to put on their property. Free poop scoops are available to dog owners by sending an SAE to the address at the end of this notice.

The number to call in office hours for the clearing of a fouled footpath outside your house is **0800 137 087**. Outside office hours contact Client Services **647474 ext. 4135**
To report stray dogs contact Dog Warden Service **647474 ext. 4154**

We have a copy of the bye-laws if anyone wants to see them. It is an offence to foul a footpath or grass verge under 3 metres but the dog must be on a lead with its owner and photographic evidence is needed before a prosecution can begin. Encouraging owners to train their dogs may be easier!

Progress on the matter is slow but steady. We suggest you use the signs and help promote the practice of safe and healthy dog care. More information is available at the Library.
Your Council contact is Environmental Action Unit. Client Services. **01706 864620**

Treasurer's Report 16.4.98

Deposit account (Trees)	125.35		Balance at 5.3.98	536.69
(Society)	178.45	303.80	Income: Photocopying	1.10
Current account		186.34	Bank interest	76
Cash on hand		<u>31.51</u>		<u>1.86</u>
			Expenditure: Stamps	1.40
			Civic Trust	15.50
				<u>16.90</u>
		<u>521.65</u>		<u>521.65</u>

Membership: As at 5/2/98