

HYTHE AND DIBDEN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY 18th  
APRIL AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE AT 8.00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. S. S. Wade, Chairman  
Mr. G. J. Parkes, Vice Chairman  
Mr. K. S. Batchelor, Treasurer  
Mrs. J. A. Wallace, Secretary  
Mr. R. L. White, Community News Editor  
Mrs. H. Hunter, Social Committee  
Mrs. Y. Parkes, Catering Supervisor  
Mr. D. Grant, Maintenance Officer  
Mr. G. Fenna, Publicity Officer  
Mrs. R. Coles, Office Rep.

35/85 NEW FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL - LOCAL PRESENCE ACTION

The hatch was programmed for this week, but was not installed. We are to be informed when it will be done.

There have been a few problems, but only minor ones.

36/85 COMMUNITY NEWS

There was a complaint from the N.F.D.C. regarding a statement in the Community News regarding the public right of way at the golf course, which does not cross the course but runs around the perimeter. A correction will be printed in the May issue.

RLW

37/85 BOOKINGS

A new layout for the booking system is being prepared and will be implemented as soon as possible.

GJP

38/85 FOOTPATH

Mr. Trask, N.F.D.C., informed us that there was water on the footpath. Also there are some large plants coming up through the tarmac. Mr. Parkes inspected the path and rang the County Council, who will report to the contractor to set this right.

The Maintenance Committee have undertaken the task of laying weedkiller on the paths on a regular basis to keep them clear.

DG

39/85 LEASE

We have now obtained the Charity number for rating purposes. This is No.267994.

40/85 ROOMS 'C' and 'E'

There is more racking ready to be installed in Room 'E' at the first opportunity.

It has been noticed that Room 'C' gets rather warm and stocks of sweets etc. could be at risk. It was suggested that a small grid be placed in the floor to create a current of air.

MAINTENANCE  
COMMITTEE

41/85

TREASURER'S REPORT

At present total funds stand at £2287, both current and deposit accounts. Outstanding accounts amount to £2084. Approximately £200 in hand. We have had a Rates Demand but have applied for Rates Relief.

The phone bill was discussed as it was deemed to be rather high. It was agreed to look into the possibility of having a monitor unit to try and cut this cost.

KSB

Mr. Batchelor reported that he had ordered a cheque book and paying-in slips, but this did not arrive. He paid a visit to the bank to try and get the matter put right.

42/85

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Indications are that most office helpers thought that having a representative on the Executive Committee would be a good idea.

The subject of signs to the Community Centre was raised again. Mr. Parkes will write to Mr. Penny to get this put in hand.

GJP

With regard to furniture removal, this matter should be raised at the forthcoming Centre Users' meeting. Some suggestions re the Whist Club were to ask them to use Hall 2, organise their own helpers. We are also looking into the prospect of getting some lighter tables. Mr. Batchelor offered to get a specimen table as used by caravanners. Mrs. Wallace to speak to Mrs. Catchpole with suggestions. We are also hope to get volunteers to move furniture.

It was also suggested that the office helpers list should include the wardens.

43/85

SOCIAL COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mrs. Hunter reported that a lorry has been booked for the Carnival - only 20' but we are hoping to find a larger one. Individuals will decide on their own role and will make their own costumes.

The discos are working well. Only 7 attended the last Tea Dance.

The Jumble Sale made £45.29 and the Community Market £35.

It was suggested that we invite outsiders to the market on a selective basis. It was pointed out that this had always been our practice in the past and it was agreed that this would continue.

The idea of having a charity Christmas card market was raised and will be considered again at a later date.

We have only had 4 replies regarding the Craft Fayre so this will be cancelled by 27 April 1985.

HH

Mr. Cornelius will organise the talent show himself. Mr. and Mrs. Bang will provide a synthesiser and somebody will play.

Mrs. Bang has proposed an evening of films and talks on dolls of the world for Thursday 31 October.

A car treasure hunt has been planned for Sunday 8 September. Mr. Wade is investigating.

SSW

Mr. Wade will also arrange quizzes later in the year.

Mr. Bang has a suggestion that we could sell a brick for 25p for raising money to replace the Community Centre. We could issue certificates and maybe in 6-12 months have a raffle of certificates and the winner could have his/her name engraved, or maybe a prize. The winner's name would be incorporated in the foundation stone. After a long discussion on the future of the Centre, it was decided that this is a good idea in principle. The Committee decided that it should be expanded and Mrs. Hunter was asked to report back on this basis.

HH

The Social Committee had an extraordinary meeting and decided that they would like to do their own advertising leaving Mr. Fenna to concentrate on general publicity for the Centre. As the main bulk of publicity was for the Social activities it was decided that Mr. Fenna would continue to do this and the Social committee should put their requirements in writing and put it into Mr. Fenna's tray for him to deal with, copy to Mr. White for the Community News.

44/85

CANTEEN

Stock Sold	£ 94.36
Takings	£ 277.75
Profit	£ 183.39

45/85

MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The work is progressing slowly; some minor jobs have been done. The outside jobs will be carried on when the weather improves. The work mentioned under 40/84 Rooms 'C' and 'E' will be put in hand as soon as possible.

The Wardens will be having a meeting on the evening of the day when the office helpers are having theirs.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Gas boiler malfunction - fault not yet traced. Ongoing.

Mr. White made a suggestion that we review salaries on a yearly basis.

Mr. Fenna raised the question of abuse of the Centre car park. It was pointed out that there is a notice at the entrance stating only members and users can use the car park. It is not an easy matter to enforce this.

TABLES

Mr. Parkes reported that he had found the ideal table for our purposes, only to be told these were now unobtainable. Mr. Batchelor agreed to look into the possibility of acquiring caravan type tables. (See Secretary's report)

KSB

It was agreed that when we find the right tables we would purchase as many as we can afford.

Mr. Batchelor requested that a copy of the Constitution of the Community Association should be available for all members of the Association.

He also produced a printed form which is to be used in future for all monies taken in the office.

There being no other business the meeting ended at 10.45 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 21 May at 8.00 at the Community Centre.

