HITCHAM & TAPLOW SOCIETY

Executive Committee Meeting Larkspur Mill Lane Monday 19th March 2024 7.30pm

MINUTES

Present: Eva Lipman (chair) Rupert Sellers Charlie Greeves Roger Worthington

Andrew Findlay Mike Turner Jacqueline Turner Apologies: Robert Hanbury Sue Thornton Robert Harrap Cat Howard Jonathan Spector

1) ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES As above

2) MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the February meeting were agreed and signed.

3) MATTERS ARISING

Nothing not covered in the agenda.

4) TREASURER'S REPORT

Balances are £1724.61 and £8494.67. Mike noted he had moved more across to the interest bearing account. Roger noted that in April it would be expected to pay the ~£500 for the Celtic Cross work and the Newsletter printing invoice. Mike said that the auditor had advised that we should manage the petty cash in a more formal manner. Mike circulated a form he had drawn up to manage future petty cash claims. He also reported a complexity with the membership system relating to automatic reminders for renewals. The system generated letter identifies the subscription as £7 but many people actually pay £10 or more. He is working on best approach but so far has not sent out automatic notices.

5) NEWSLETTER

Content substantially complete. Waiting on content for Sheila Horton Obituary and front page photo still needed. Roger expected to send Andrew a first cut by end of the week. Andrew commented that his diary is rather packed.

6) PLANNING

The Feathers application has been called in over disregard for Common Land boundaries. A STOP notice has been issued by Enforcement over what appears to be a car repair operation nearby the existing violations on the Cliveden Stud land (still no visible clearing away yet). The ongoing saga over garages at Maryfield has been rejected by the planners. A retrospective approval for the gates on the field adjacent to Skyfall was bade but rejected on grounds of false statements.

7) TuT REPORT

Jacquleine reported that TuT had been well attended, with non-members also. A display of Society magazines and joining information with a very large joining QR code appeared to have worked. A wider area that previous years was covered. She would send Roger an article for the Newsletter. She and Mike were thanked for an excellently run event.

8) yearsCELTIC CROSS UPDATE

Roger advised that the Community Board had agreed to fund £1500 of the restoration costs. He would write to Cliveden Conservation to start the ball rolling. As the billing will be done via the Parish Council

(to save the VAT) he will work with the Parish Clerk.

9) AOB

None

Meeting closed at 8:20pm. Next meeting 15th April Larkspur

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