

Minutes of the SMLHG Committee Meeting held at Whitstone Hill Farm on Monday 16th February, 2015

- 1) Amanda gave her apologies
- 2) The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed because as contentious points were appearing in the agenda
- 3) It was agreed that all the committee members had been re-elected at the AGM although there had been no vote as such
- 4) Pam, the treasurer reported that there was £1044.92 in the current account and £1526.21 in reserve. Membership stands at only 49. The secretary was to circulate ASAP a reminder to those who had not paid their sub as there will be a shortfall of several hundred pounds this year. Last year the filmshow profit covered the loss of subscriptions
- 5) Chris had tried to obtain funding to help cover the cost of printing Len's book which is now likely to be over £750 for 50 copies. Because we are not a registered charity some sources of funding are not available (no reaction from committee). It was suggested that Alan should ask for people to subscribe £25 and their name would appear in the acknowledgements section. No price for the book was fixed but an index might help its value. Chris and Len would work it out. The idea is to have the book out for Collett Day. No motion was proposed to proceed with Len's book in its present form.
- 6) Alan reported in his capacity of Shepton Show Heritage Tent organiser that he would like the Group to be involved. Once again Peter, supported by others, pointed out that having cider in the tent was not a good idea. Alan has 18 potential exhibitors- many who have exhibited before. Len has enough Garton material to fill 6 tables. No motion was proposed as to whether the Group exhibits at the Mid-Somerset Show.
- 7) Baring in mind the experiences of the Mendip Society having poor attendances at evening meetings and switching to afternoon meetings, it was agreed that, with the right topic, it might be worth having an afternoon meeting. Eleanor reminded us that there used to be some afternoon meetings.
- 8) and 9) Nothing as yet fixed up
- 10) Arthur Feltham represented the Group at Ms Sulley's meeting about the Prison. Only about a dozen people turned up and nothing is happening in the near future

Next Meeting 30th March at Whitstone