MINUTES of a meeting of the Committee of STAMFORD CIVIC SOCIETY

held on Wednesday 10 January 2018 in the Stamford URC Church Hall

0118/1	PRESENT Gwyneth Gibbs (in the Chair), David Langridge (Secretary), Martin Lander (Treasurer), Andrew Beeson, Jocelyn Chatterton, Paddy Jelen, David Lankester, Carol Meads, Graddon Rowlands, Mike Sockett, Peter Stean, and David Taylor.
0118/2	APOLOGIES Andy Moore and Michael Thompson.
0118/3	URBAN GROUP REPORT The Urban Group had met on Wednesday 20 December 2017 and the minutes of that meeting have already been circulated to Committee members.
	The Chairman of the Urban Group, David Taylor, made the following comments: Red Lion Square. The Urban Group was very keen to have its views on the desirability of resurfacing with block paving considered by LCC. Stamford Town Council appeared to be less enthusiastic. The view of the SCS Committee was that, although consensus would be preferable, every effort should be made to have its views considered whether or not STC were on board. Andy Moore would be urged to complete his researches and the Committee's considered views put forward (DT)
	Water Street. This was the Urban Group's flagship project for the year. It was ongoing. A £1 000.00 contribution from STC would be forthcoming part of which would probably be used for this project. Lights on the Bridge. It was agreed that we should contribute £120.00 and that this should be passed to the Town Clerk. (ML)
0118/4	PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT The Planning Sub-Committee Report from the Meeting held on Thursday 4 January 2018 is shown below. Planning Applications received and considered were:
	S17/2229 Listed Building consent for S17/2198 22, St Mary's Street erection of rear extension. We have reviewed 2 previous schemes for the erection of an extension to the rear of this building. (The previous application comments are highlighted below in red). This scheme addresses the comments from our two previous responses providing a clear and sensitive separation between the existing fabric of the house and the proposed extension, again we would urge that the detail of its abutment to the existing fabric should have a lightness of touch and be agreed as a condition of this application. The Planning Sub-Committee's views were accepted. The Chairman would write to SKDC as usual. (GG)
0118/5	MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 13 DECEMBER 2017
	The Minutes were accepted as a correct record.

0118/6	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA Stamford in Bloom Project. Ann Ellis had sent a lot more data. This was noted. It would need to be condensed if it were to be included in the March Newsletter.
0118/7	TREASURER'S REPORT Little of consequence to report at this time of year. Noted that the Exhibition and Reception had cost £1 150.00 of which £500.00 had been paid for by sponsorship.
0118/8	MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT The Secretary took this item. The November reminder had proved to be quite successful and only 17 memberships remained outstanding. The Secretary read a final reminder that he had drafted pointing out that members' details would be removed from the record if subscriptions were not paid by the end of January. This would be sent as 16 personal emails and one letter. This was agreed. (Sec).
0118/9	COMMITTEE ROLES There was much debate over the roles of Chairman and Treasurer. Martin Lander expressed some trepidation at taking on the role of Chairman in October but intimated that he might be willing to do so if no other suitable candidate was forthcoming and provided that a suitable person could be found to take over the position of Treasurer. It was suggested that Andrew Moore (not Andy Moore), a SCS member, would be an excellent choice for the Treasurership and that he had expressed an interest. The Secretary was briefed to invite him to the next Committee meeting. (Sec).
0118/10	MARKETING Carol Meads and Jocelyn Chatterton were formally and warmly thanked for their huge effort in producing the 2017 Review. They agreed to take on the task for 2018. It was agreed that the Secretary might well be in a better position to take on the role of Membership Secretary than the Treasurer. This would result in there being the need for only one membership database However, tight liaison would be essential between Secretary and Treasurer and a very clear method of subscription payment would need to be established, particularly for new members joining through the website. After some discussion it was resolved that the Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Carol Meads should meet in late January/early February to clarify the matter. (Sec)
	Carol Meads produced a draft street questionnaire to endeavour to establish local residents' familiarity with the SCS. She agreed to circulate it to Committee members by email to get comments. (Carol M).

	Jocelyn Chatterton's report on SCS/ASS liaison on marketing was put forward to the March meeting. (JC)
0118/11	SCHEDULED EVENTS Melissa Thompson. Thursday 8 February 2018. Projector - Secretary (Sec) Sound and long extension lead - Mike Sockett (MS) Nibbles - David Lankester. Jocelyn to purchase and give to Secretary. (DL, JC and Sec) Introduction - David Taylor. (DT) Vote of Thanks - ???? Members' Meeting It was agreed that this should be moved to Thursday 8 March 2018. Secretary to inform all Members of change of date and confirm Browne's Hospital booking with Carol Garwell. (Sec) Committee Meal. Agreed to go to Stamford College on Thursday 22 March 2018. Carol Meads to
0118/12	FUTURE EVENTS Cambridge Visit. Chairman to negotiate for early June 2018. Given a date the Secretary would enquire
0118/13	ANY OTHER BUSINESS Knowle Society. Peter Stean and Martin Lander would speak at the Kowle Society AGM. They would
	Storage of Museum artefacts and materials. It was confirmed that these would remain in Stamford and not be moved to Lincoln. The question of a different venue/time for Committee meetings was raised. Andrew Beeson was to confirm to the Secretary that his premises at Cobblestone Yard could be available. Meetings would continue to be held in the evening.
	(AB and Sec)

	David Taylor produced a draft Green Space Group leaflet, <i>Stamford - Protected Green Space</i> , drawn up by Ian Campbell, which outlined the case against the Kier development. He said that this was an excellent document and that it would be generally available shortly.
	Carol Meads asked that <i>Awards</i> should be a regular agenda item. (Sec)
	Jocelyn Chatterton was assured that she would get the Blue Plaque approval from SKDC in due course.
0118/14	DATE OF NEXT MEETING Wednesday 14 February 2018 at 7.15 pm. at the Stamford United Reform Church Hall.

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held on Wednesday 14 February 2018 at 2 Cobblestone Yard

0218/1	PRESENT	
	Carol Meads (in the Chair), David Langridge (Se Graddon Rowlands, Mike Sockett, Peter Stean, E Andrew Moore attended as a guest.	cretary), Andrew Beeson, Paddy Jelen, Andy Moore, Pavid Taylor and Michael Thompson.
0218/2	APOLOGIES	
	Gwyneth Gibbs, David Lankester, Jocelyn Chate	rton and Martin Lander
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0218/4		eeting held on Thursday 8 February 2018 had been appended to these minutes. Planning Applications
	S18/0079 3-4 Brownlow Terrace S17/0481 Cherryholt Hse, Cherryholt Rd S18/0087 9 Barn Hill S17/2496 Uffington Road S17/2124 Maiden Lane S18/0156 67 High Street St Martins S18/0179 Stamford Methodist Church S18/0120 Whincups Yard, Wothorpe Road S18/0164 54 St Leonard's Street S18/0057 8 Barn Hill	Internal alterations to building. Additional information for residential development Construction of Swimming Pool Residential development. Alteration of Listed Building Change conservatory glazing to slate tiles. Provision of ramped and stepped access. Alterations to side extension + Erection of Orangery Internal alterations to a Listed Building Demolition & construction of replacement dwelling

	The Planning Sub-Committee's views were accepted. Comments on some applications were made as follows:
	 \$17/0481 PJ stressed the problems with traffic build up on Wharf Road. \$18/0057 Much discussion on the <i>Glass Tower</i> with divided opinion on its desirability among Committee members. Decided to leave it as reported by PS-C and encourage individuals to object if they felt so minded.
	 \$18/0087 The Committee did not oppose this application \$18/0179 Much debate on this application. The ramp was really felt to be unnecessary. Some Members had made individual objections. Decided to let PS-C's comment stand. \$18/0123 PS-C had not reported on this application. \$\text{SEC}\$ briefed to ask for its views asap.
	The Acting Chairman would write to SKDC as was the usual practice (CM).
0218/5	MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 10 JANUARY 2018
	The Minutes were accepted as a correct record.
0218/6	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA
	• Lights on the Bridge. This item to be carried forward to March when the Treasurer was present. (DL/ML)
0218/7	TREASURER'S REPORT
	No report as the Treasurer had apologised.
0218/8	MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT
	SEC was now de facto Membership Secretary. He reported as follows:
	 Membership Figures. Currently 146 Households with 203 Members. Outstanding Subscriptions. The recent campaign to recover subscriptions from the last seventeen members had resulted in two resignations, two not paid but promised and only two non responses. It was noted that the bold print had obviously worked! New Members. One new member (Darren Smith) and one to come (Melissa Thompson). Death. Doug Stockman had passed away in January. Condolences had been given to Tina. Membership Forms Update. The SEC and ML had redrafted the membership form and the Standing Order form but need to talk to the Chairman before finalising them (SEC, ML & GG).
0218/9	COMMITTEE ROLES
	Andrew Moore had been invited to attend the meeting to observe. He now needed to speak with ML before any decisions could be made on the Treasurership and the Chairmanship.
0118/10	MARKETING
	 Local Interest Survey. CM thanked Members for their comments on the Interest Survey Sheet. It was suggested that we might book the Charity Stall at the market one Friday (CM). DT offered to set up a <i>Survey Monkey</i> which could elicit responses through Facebook and Twitter. 2018 Review. CM had had a number of ideas for the next Review. She would email these to Members shortly. (CM)

0218/11	SCHEDULED EVENTS
	 Members' Meeting Thursday 8 March 2018. MS has ordered the wine. SEC to organise nibbles. GG to do name labels for Committee Members. DT to give a short presentation on the work of the rban Group Mallory Lane Opening Tuesday 13 March 2018. All organised. Committee Members encouraged to attend. Committee Members' Dinner Thursday 23 March 2018. About twenty attending New College Fine Dining Evening. CM to send out meal choices shortly. Simon Harris Talk Thursday 12 April 2018. Usual arrangements. Heritage Weekends Thursday-Sunday 6-9 and 13-16 September 2018. CM suggested opening St Leonard's Priory for the first weekend. ML has some proposals which can be considered at the next meeting.
0218/12	FUTURE EVENTS
	Cambridge Visit. Consider at the next meeting.
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0218/13	AWARDS
	 Members were asked to keep thinking of suitable candidates under the following headings: Impressive Craftsmanship of Skilled Artisans Creation of Notable Buildings through Newbuilds or Conversions Attractive Displays and Fittings The Care of Old Buildings Renovation and Conversion Restoration and Embellishment Enhancing Green Spaces
0218/14	ANY OTHER BUSINESS
	 Knowle Society Presentation. All in hand with PS and ML Press Releases. At an earlier point in the meeting CM had asked that all Press Releases be cleared by the Chairman first. Venue. AB was heartily thanked for his excellent hospitality. He said that we were very welcome and that Cobblestone Yard should be available for most meetings. SEC was briefed to cancel the year's booking at the URC hall. Should Cobblestone Yard not be available we could always take refuge in the Crown!
0218/15	DATE OF NEXT MEETING
	Wednesday 14 March 2018 at 7.15 pm. at 2 Cobblestone Yard.

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Meeting held on Wednesday 14 March 2018 at 2 Cobblestone Yard

0318/1	PRESENT
0316/1	Gwyneth Gibbs (in the Chair), David Langridge (Secretary), Martin Lander (Treasurer), Jocelyn Chatterton, Paddy Jelen, David Lankester, Carol Meads, Andy Moore, Graddon Rowlands, Peter Stean, and David Taylor.
	Andrew Moore attended as a guest.
0318/2	APOLOGIES
	Andrew Beeson, Mike Sockett and Michael Thompson.
0318/3	URBAN GROUP REPORT
	The Urban Group had met on Wednesday 21 February 2018 and the minutes of that meeting had already been circulated to Committee members.
	The Chairman of the Urban Group, David Taylor, introduced discussions on the following topics:
	Red Lion Square. There was much discussion on this matter. Key points were: Andy Moore gave an update on the current situation.
	The Chairman agreed to write to LCC setting out the SCS views on the matter. She would mention the online survey results and the Marshall Report on the Setts. (GG)
	David Taylor stated that David Brailsford had informed him that LCC would be conducting its own survey before coming to a final decision.
	There was discussion on the Town Council meeting and vote on the matter. (16 -1 in favour of Tarmac with 1 abstention)
	Graddon Rowlands proposed sending a letter to the Mercury. The Chairman felt that it should be left for two weeks after which she would write and, among other things, suggest that the Mercury conduct a
	survey. (GG) Water Street. David Taylor informed the meeting that this project was progressing well. The next site meeting would be attended by Slaine Short, David Pennell and Peter Glassey.
	Bottle Lodges. The verge situation was much improved and the parking was now working well. There was some frustration expressed at the nine months to be taken by SKDC to action the posts and yellow lines.
0318/4	PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT
	There only being one application to consider
	S17/2069 6 Barn Hill Erection of Timber Garden Room the planning sub-committee had not met. The above application had been circulated and there
	were no adverse comments
	The St. Leonard's Street update was acceptable.
	The application for 12 St Peter's Street had not been sent to SCS. As this affected Jocelyn Chatterton's property (14 St Peter's Street) she was handling an objection at present. She would liaise with the Chairman who might well write to SKDC. (JC & GG)
	It appeared that there was a third submission for the ramp at the Methodist Church (S18/0179) which had
	not been received by SCS. The Chairman would enquire of SKDC. (GG) Dismay was expressed at the Inspector's decision on the Kier Appeal. It was felt that there probably
	would not be a Judicial Review.
	The Chairman would respond to SKDC on the planning applications as was the usual practice (GG).
0318/5	MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2018
	The Minutes were accepted as a correct record.
0318/6	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA
	There were no matters arising that were not already on the agenda.

0318/7	TREASURER'S REPORT The £120 to finish the lights on the Town Bridge had been passed to the Town Council and a receipt obtained. Mallory Lane Gallery expenditure of up to £750.00 was available Current financial balance was c. £10K which was more than adequate for foreseeable needs. Cityscape Maps had previously given us 10p for each map sold. This had not been forthcoming for some time. Treasurer to investigate. (ML)
0318/8	MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT There were four new members since the last meeting. Robert and Isobel Goodwin, Melissa Thompson and Matthew Lee. The Membership Secretary briefed the Committee on proposed new membership procedures. Three new forms had been designed by the Secretary with Martin Lander and Carol Meads. Membership Form Standing Order Form Data Protection Form These were accepted by the Committee. A new SCS Brochure was being designed (see MARKETING below) which would simply have one panel directing prospective members to the website or the Secretary in order to obtain forms which would be completed and returned to the Secretary in hard format. (This was necessary as each form required a live signature). The Chairman agreed to put these forms on the website. (GG & SEC) Discussion then centred on the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) which comes into force on 25 May 2018. The Secretary agreed to email/post the necessary form to all members requesting completion and return. There was then discussion on the number of members who were signed up for Gift Aid. The Secretary agreed to get a list of those not signed up from the Treasurer and circulate a request with the GDPR forms. (SEC & ML)
0318/9	COMMITTEE ROLES Andrew Moore had again been invited to attend the meeting to observe. As Andrew had agreed to be nominated as potential Treasurer at the AGM next October he was formally co-opted to the Committee pro tem. There was no positive progress in the search for a candidate to become Chairman.
0318/10	MARKETING It was agreed to leave the interest survey until the Red Lion Square issue was settled. Carol Meads circulated four examples of a front for the new Brochure. The one showing old photographs was chosen by an overwhelming majority. Carol circulated a list of ideas/contributors for the 2018 Review. It was decided to leave discussion on joint marketing with TASS until our new brochure was available. Mention was made of diminishing numbers of The Men of the Stones in Stamford. They might well appreciate some joint marketing.
0318/11	REVIEW OF EVENTS Visit to Knowle Society AGM Saturday 24 February 2018. An interesting and worthwhile experience. Members' Meeting Thursday 8 March 2018. Meeting had gone well. Minutes now on the website. Mallory Lane Opening Tuesday 13 March 2018. Generally agreed that this was a superb project. The opening had gone very well with the Town Mayor praising the Civic Society for its work for the benefit of the Town.
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0210/12	COMPANY OF EVENING
0318/12	SCHEDULED EVENTS
	Committee Members' Dinner Thursday 23 March 2018. Menus soon which would require a quick
	turnaround! (CM)
	Simon Harris Talk Thursday 12 April 2018. Usual arrangements. Wine (MS). Nibbles (JC).
	Liaison with Simon Harris (SEC).
	Priory Party. Saturday 23 June 2018. Members should look out for a suitable musician to play at
	this event. (ALL)
	Heritage Weekends Thursday-Sunday 6-9 and 13-16 September 2018. Martin Lander was
	working on publicity with the Peterborough Civic Society. (ML)
	AGM. Fixed provisionally for Thursday 11 October. Secretary to book. (SEC)
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0318/13	FUTURE EVENTS
	Cambridge Visit. The Chairman was still working on this with the Cambridge Blue Badge Guides. (GG)
0318/14	AWARDS
	Four suggestions had been made ahead of the meeting.
	Ann Ellis
	Amanda Billington
	The St Peter's Community Group
	Nine further suggestions were made at the meeting.
	Harrison and Dunn (David Dunn)
	Ian Campbell
	John Regis
	The Bible Shop
	The Priory Road House
	The St Paul's Street Development
	The Broad Street Dental Surgery
	Paten & Co.
	Sea Salt
	Members were asked to consider these and to go on thinking.
0318/15	TRUSTEES
	There was discussion on the formal induction of new Committee members as Trustees. While a formal
	proforma was not necessary it was felt that it might be useful as well as simply including the names of new
	Committee members in the annual report to the Charity Commissioners. The Treasurer agreed to draw up
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	a suitable form with Carol Meads. (ML & CM)
0318/16	ANY OTHER BUSINESS
	1. Stamford in Bloom Walk. Notice was given of a walk round the Stamford in Bloom route on
	Sunday 25 March starting at 4.00 pm from Scotgate car park.
	2. The SCS had been asked to send a formal request to the Town Council that the contract for the
	Fair to use the Meadows should not be renewed.
	Nelson Dawson Blue Plaque. Jocelyn Chatterton was thanked for her work on this project. The
	inauguration was provisionally scheduled for Sunday 13 May 2018. Enquiries would be made
	about a suitable venue for a reception. Andy Moore agreed to provide some scaffolding. (AM)
	Paul Eastwood had proposed that a plaque might be placed for Harry Burton.
	The Chairman reported that the SCS archives could probably be placed in the Town Hall's archive
	storage area once works were completed.
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0418/2	APOLOGIES Paddy Jelen, David Taylor and Michael Thompson.
0418/3	MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 14 MARCH 2018 The Minutes were accepted as a correct record. The Secretary reported that a t had been left out of Chatterton. (GG) to correct on her copy before posting to the website.
0418/4	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA The Treasurer had reported that he had had no response from Cityscape Maps. He would follow up. (ML) Trustees. The two forms produced by Carol Meads were accepted. (SEC) to circulate the Declaration form to all Committee members who should complete and return to him by hand or post. (SEC) to retain all completed forms. The Secretary had had no response to his letter to the Town Clerk requesting that the contract for the Fair to use the Meadows should not be renewed. This had gone to the Chairman. Erection of the Nelson Blue Plaque. Jocelyn Chatterton reported that she had abandoned the idea of a ceremony on safety grounds. She had arranged for the work to be done on 13/05/18, at a slightly reduced price, and would require Committee members to help with pedestrian redirection on the day. (ALL)
0418/5	URBAN GROUP REPORT The Urban Group had met on Wednesday 21 February 2018 and the minutes of that meeting have already been circulated to Committee members. The Chairman of the Urban Group, David Taylor, was absent and the discussion was led by Andy Moore. David Lankester congratulated the Group on progress on the Sheepmarket Parking and was assured that the current bollards were a temporary measure. Bottle Lodges. The Chairman suggested that SCS and Burghley might get on with this themselves. (AM) to contact David Brailsford and Richard Davies to get the OK. The posts were being made by Burghley in any event. Water Street Project. The Chairman and Mike Sockett reported that rumours were spreading locally about the project. Mike said that there was a view that the area was actually very pleasant as it was and perhaps all that was needed was some tidying up. Was there to be meaningful consultation? Graddon Rowlands stated that consultation would be a key part of the process. It was decided that the outline plan should go to the Urban Group, then the Committee in time for the May meeting and then out for local consultation. Secretary to write to Martin Grimes and Chairman to put a note to this effect in the Newsletter. (GG & SEC) Red Lion Square. Graddon Rowlands reiterated what a disaster Tarmac would be. He also read a letter written by Catherine Hammant berating the Tarmac proposal. Andy Moore had been in touch with LCC who stressed that they wanted to get it right. However, discussions with Richard Davies and engineer Rowan Smith had produced little optimism. It was decided that Graddon Rowlands and Andy Moore should draft a paper for the Mercury along the lines of the Technical, Environmental and Cost cases. (GR & AM). This to be submitted for publication and followed up by an SCS personal Street Survey. Issues would also be mentioned in the May Newsletter. (GG) Horseshoe Lane. Ongoing. St Michael's Churchyard. Not much progress on the bins. King's Head landlord not very cooperative and the Wesleyan were
	Lighting of other churches. St Mary's were keen. Signage project. Graddon Rowlands reported that the 25 buildings in the QR project were being

	transferred to an App by Stamford College. There were 50 other buildings. Graddon Rowlands to produce the list and Secretary (Committee and Planners) and Chairman (Newsletter) to coordinate request for help with 200 -500 word accounts from SCS Members. St Leonard's Priory. Carol Meads asked who was responsible for keeping it tidy. Andy Moore agreed that the Urban Group would take this on. (AM)
0418/6	PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT There being only two applications to consider \$18/0329 Central Café, 7 Red Lion Square Repaint shop front \$18/0488 27 St Peter's Street Repainting front door and exterior windows and installation of an extractor. the Planning Sub-Committee had not met. The above applications had been circulated There had been no adverse comments. The Chairman would write to SKDC as was the usual practice (GG). 2. Ramp at Barn Hill Methodist Church. The Secretary updated his previous report on the
	hearing before the Development Management Committee at SKDC on 3 rd April 2018. The Planning Officer had informed the committee that the resident of number 10 Barn Hill, Mrs Jenny Barry, had withdrawn her objection following an alteration to the plans. This was not the case as she was still very strongly against. The Secretary read a draft of a letter he intended to send to the Officer concerned with a copy to the committee Chairman. This action was approved. (SEC)
0418/7	TREASURER'S REPORT Treasurer reported that David Dunn had queried how he might be refunded from the Skells Trust for his expenditure on the Mallory Lane Project. He should be advised that he should send an invoice to the Town Clerk. (ML) Current SCS funds were c.10K.
0418/8	MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT Membership now stood at 151 Households + 59 (two in a Household) = 210 Since the last Committee meeting Ann-Mari Rasmusen had left. Peter Speigl had joined. There were only two outstanding subscriptions for the current year and both had been promised.
0418/9	COMMITTEE ROLES The search for a new Chairman continues. The Chairman said she would mention this at the meeting tomorrow, put something in the Newsletter and possibly put a note in the Mercury. (GG) Graddon Rowlands suggested that when a new Chairman was appointed it would be useful to have an official Vice-Chairman as this would ensure a succession.
0418/10	MARKETING Carol Meads had previously circulated the latest draft of the new Brochure. She sought any general comments but asked that specific points be made by email. There was discussion on how striking the cover should be. Carol agreed to consider this and probably bring a more striking alternative to the next meeting. (CM)
0418/11	REVIEW OF EVENTS Committee Members' Dinner Thursday 23 March 2018. The Chairman thanked Carol Meads for all her efforts in this regard. It was unfortunate that Stamford College had fallen short on this and no alternative was proposed at present. Perhaps we might try the College again next year (using the 10% reduction that had been promised).
0418/12	SCHEDULED EVENTS Simon Harris Talk Thursday 12 April 2018. Usual arrangements. Priory Party Saturday 23 June 2018. Anabel Morris had offered to help again. Secretary to accept the offer and to Mike Sockett to liaise. (SEC & MS) Mike Sockett to ask Melanie to contact last year's saxophonist to see if he would play again. (MS) Heritage Weekends Thursday-Sunday 6-9 and 13-16 September 2018. SCS would open St Leonard's Priory on Saturday and Sunday 8/9 September.

	AGM Thursday 11 October 2018. Agreed that Secretary should book the Town Hall. (SEC) Graddon Rowlands will write to Max Sawyer and the Town Clerk to see if we can reduce the cost. (GR) Orlando may have to be in New York but will come if he can.
0418/13	FUTURE EVENTS Cambridge Visit. The Chairman had agreed a programme with Liz, the Blue Badge guide in Cambridge.
	This would be a ninety minute walk for up to thirty individuals in the City, not the Colleges, starting at 10.00 am. Individuals would then be briefed on which Colleges would accept visitors that day (large groups not being acceptable). Depart Cambridge c. 3.00 pm.
	Coach cost for 27 persons would be £400.00. Straw poll to be taken at Simon Harris meeting. Committee members keen to go should let Chairman know the dates in May on which they definitely couldn't make it. (ALL)
0418/14	AWARDS
	Chairman to contact Planning Sub-Committee on which of Simon Harris's buildings would be most worthy of an award and if there were any other buildings which they felt should be considered. (GG)
0418/15	ANY OTHER BUSINESS
	Jocelyn Chatterton commented on the fact that the sign in Broad Street had been removed very
	quickly. She also let the Committee know that she was no longer the Speaker Finder for the Stamford Arts
	Society. Graddon Rowlands commented on the difficulty in crossing Red Lion Square due to the large number of seats and planters. Could one of each be moved to, say, the bottom of Castle Dyke? Decided not to query this until after May.
	Graddon Rowlands mentioned that he had found a copy of the <i>Stamford Conservation Area Appraisal</i> interim report which was very interesting to read in retrospect. Carol Meads agreed to send a link to the final report.
	Peter Stean asked if anyone had heard rumours of Crown Street being pedestrianised. The Chairman agreed to bring a gift to give to Simon Harris after his talk.
0418/16	DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING
	Wednesday 09 May 2018 at 7.15 pm. at 2 Cobblestone Yard

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

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0518/4	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA None
0518/5	URBAN GROUP REPORT The Minutes of the Urban Group meeting held on 17 April 2018 had been distributed to Committee Members before the meeting. David Taylor introduced discussion as follows: Red Lion Square: Despite all his efforts no dialogue had been possible with LCC. He outlined his communications with David Brailsford but these had borne little fruit. The Chairman had been in contact with David Brailsford and informed committee members that it was he who was coordinating action at LCC. There was to be a high level meeting on Monday next but apart from David Brailsford everyone present would be LCC officials who would make a decision on facts. There would be no consultation with SCS. DT stated that LCC were not acting in a consultative way. GR asked about the balance between cost, aesthetic and technical aspects. The Editor of the Mercury was reluctant to run a public consultation. Action: (GG) would let David Brailsford know that he should liaise with DT on this matter. (DT) would ask David Brailsford when the public consultation was going to take place. (DT, AM and GR) would coordinate taking things forward for SCS. (GR and AM) would prepare a public presentation for GG to put on the website. Bottle Lodges: DT reported that David Brailsford was taking this forward. Water Street Project: This was moving forward steadily. SKDC Planners were happy for this project to go ahead and DT was meeting them to ascertain the need for planning permission. A consultation meeting with local residents had been organized for Wednesday 6 June at the Stamford Arts Centre. Urban Group members would distribute invitations to all local properties.
0518/6	PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT 1. S18/0679 Lord Burghley's Hospital Installation of a Stair Lift S18/0059 19 High Street St Martins Hang temporary sign & display window stickers S18/0695 Crown Hotel. 6 All Saints Place Alterations to a listed building S18/0695 Digby House. 10 Maiden Lane Remove existing render and re-point The only comment from the Planning Sub-Committee was on Digby House viz: One of the most important possibly C16 buildings in Stamford. The stripping has already taken place - they certainly jumped the gun on this application. On inspection it appears to be C19 and is in poor condition. Rendering was often applied to the front of a building to cover stonework that was already in poor condition. This seems to be the case here. We do not have any objections to removing the rendering. However we should stress that all re-pointing should be carried out in a soft lime mortar – no cement - and that newly exposed features, e.g. the rest of the window to the right of the door, should be clearly identifiable. Chairman to write to SKDC with this comment. (GG) 2. Barn Hill Ramp. Chairman had decided not to respond to George Heatherington's letter

	 in the Mercury. 3. Royal Arms. (GG) to write back to the Deputy Mayor noting that STC might well need planning permission.
0518/7	TREASURER'S REPORT None. Treasurer had apologised for absence.
0518/8	MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT No new members since last meeting. One member, Mr K A Riley, had died. Current membership 209. Two members who had joined through the website had not paid subscriptions. (SEC) following up again. (SEC) would shortly be dealing with the Data Protection Form circulation.
0518/9	COMMITTEE ROLES Recent advertising for application for the Chairmanship had no response. Tim Lee, who had previously expressed an interest, would be invited to the next Committee Meeting by the Chairman (GG) If he could attend, (GG) to confirm with SEC and (SEC) to send agenda and papers. If Tim Lee was still interested after the meeting he could be invited to give a short presentation to the Committee. However, it was hoped that there might be some competition for the post. Chairman would seek ideas from Miranda Rock (GG). CM raised the question of the lack of an Events Coordinator on the Committee. This was supported by SEC who stressed that he had been assured that this would not be part of his duties as Secretary and that he did not wish to take on anything more than a peripheral role in this capacity.
0518/10	MARKETING The revisions to the new brochure were welcomed with acclaim. It was agreed that SEC's personal 'phone number should be added. AB had obtained printing quotes which seemed very acceptable.
0518/11	REVIEW OF EVENTS Thursday 12 April 2018. Simon Harris Talk This was deemed to have been an excellent talk. Nelson Blue Plaque Event Sunday 13 May 2018 JC reported that everything was in place for this event and was pleased to accept offers of help with the logistics.
0518/12	SCHEDULED EVENTS Blue Badge Tour of Cambridge Currently 8 persons of whom 3 required lifts. (SEC) to send reminder as usual. Saturday 23 June 2018. St Leonard's Priory Party. Sort out the final arrangement at the June committee meeting. Saturday & Sunday 7 & 9 September 2018. Heritage Open Days Sort out later. Thursday 11 October 2018. AGM
0518/13	FUTURE EVENTS Chairman's Autumn Talk Fixed for Thursday 22 November 2018. (SEC) to book Browne's.
0518/14	AWARDS In conversation with the Chairman John Smith had supported the Christian Bookshop development and the Periwig (Paten and Co.) DT proposed Ian Campbell. Decided that 10 Maiden Lane could be left until the next Awards.
0518/15	ARTICLE 4 DIRECTION Chairman had met with John Smith and Ian Wright. SCS would be consulted on the final document which was out for consultation. The list of conditions was included in the consultation document.

0518/16	HISTORIC SITES APP PROJECT
	A numbers of responses had been received by SEC. They had been acknowledged and would be forwarded
	to GG and Tim Lee by (SEC).
0518/17	AOB NOT ALREADY ON THE AGENDA
	PJ reported that there had been a fresh outbreak of graffiti in the car park off Stamford walk. It was being
	dealt with.
	PJ reported that the Notification Boards had been badly painted.
	GR asked if we should be active in Stamford in Bloom. CM said that we had been in close liaison with Ann
	Ellis.
	GR reported that some progress had been made on the Bins issue.
	GR wondered when the permanent bollards were going to be installed in the Sheepmarket.
	DL asked if more bins could be put on the Meadows.
	Rubbish issues should be reported to the Town Clerk.
	CM said she would circulated an email from a consortium of Lincolnshire heritage and arts organisations
	concerning a Youth Heritage project in which it was hoped Stamford could be used as a pilot. (CM)
0518/18	DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING
	Wednesday 13 June 2018 at 7.15 pm. at 2 Cobblestone Yard

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

of the meeting held on Wednesday 13 June 2018 at 2 Cobblestone Yard

0618/1	PRESENT
0010/1	Gwyneth Gibbs (in the Chair), David Langridge (Secretary), Martin Lander (Treasurer), Andrew Beeson, David Lankester, Tim Lee, Carol Meads, Andrew Moore, Peter Stean and David Taylor.
	The Chairman welcomed Tim Lee as an observer.
0618/2	APOLOGIES
	Jocelyn Chatterton, Paddy Jelen, Andy Moore, Graddon Rowlands, Mike Sockett and Michael Thompson.
0618/3	MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 09 MAY 2018
	The Minutes were accepted as a correct record.
0618/4	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA
	Thanks were expressed to Paddy Jelen for dealing so effectively with the removal of graffiti in the Town
	The <i>Stamford in Bloom</i> judging would be carried out on Monday 2 July 2018.
0618/5	URBAN GROUP REPORT
	As a great deal had happened recently there were no Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 16 May 2018. David Taylor updated on the following:
	• Water Street Project. A public consultation meeting had been arranged for Wednesday 27 June 2018 at 6.00 pm. in the Arts Centre Blue Room. To notify local residents a letter drop had been
	done to all premises in the area and marginally beyond.
	Lynn Lord of SKDC had attended a recent site meeting and it was established that there would be
	no planning issues.
	The Project would be managed by Andy Moore. The issue of the potential removal of the Sensory Garden was raised. It was emphasized that this
	should be handled very sensitively to avoid major friction.
	Notes/Minutes of the Blue Room meeting would be circulated to SCS Committee members. (DT)
	• Red Lion Square. LCC had not yet decided how the public consultation on the issue should be
	handled. Matthew Lee had written to LCC on behalf of SKDC and had been given short shrift by
	Richard Davies, LCC portfolio holder for Transport and Roads. The whole issue was very much
	ongoing. Andy Moore's report had gone to the Mercury with no response thus far. David Taylor said he would send a copy to Gwyneth Gibbs. (DT/AM)
0618/6	PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT
	• S18/0875 11 St Peter's Street Removal of Floor + introduction of DPM
	S17/2096 6 Barn Hill Erection of Timber Garden Room More Info S18/0087 9 Barn Hill Swimming Pool
	S18/0941 St Augustine's Church Hall Variations to S17/0056
	S18/0892 Tivoli Cottage, 5 Wothorpe Rd. L.B. consent for creation of 2 nd floor + R. Lts
	S18/1016 1 Cheyne Lane Alterations to Shop Front and Flats
	The Planning Sub-Committee's report had been distributed to members and was accepted in full. In
	response to SKDC the Chairman would use John Smith's comments on S18/0087 as they stood. (GG)
	The Chairman would also emphasis that we had not been notified officially about S18/1016. (GG)
	• Kettering Road An email had been received from a John Trotter re. the Kettering Road development. David Heeley had been asked to make contact with him to establish his role in this.
	The Barn Hill Ramp. This application was going back to the SKDC Development Management
	Committee for a decision. We would not be able to speak again but the DMC Chairman had been
	made aware of our concern for Mrs Barry in a copy of a letter sent to the case officer, Phil Jordan,
	by the SCS Secretary.
0618/7	TREASURER'S REPORT
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	 Mallory Lane. Cheque to Harrison and Dunn had been settled. Brochure Printing. Cheque for £74 for printing of 300 was given to Andrew Beeson at the end of
	the meeting.
	 Funds Balances. Total funds in reserve c. £8 000 of which £2 000 is committed to Urban Group. Running Balance. It was considered that c. £5 000 was sufficient.
0610/0	MEMBERCHIR CECRET A DAYC DEPORT
0618/8	MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT
	 New members. Three since last Committee meeting, John & Yvonne Pini and Eric West, bringing the membership up to 212. The Privacy Policy and Data Protection Notices. These had been distributed.
	The Gift Aid appeal. This had produced two positive responses.
	• Blind Copy. The Chairman reminded Committee members that any correspondence by email to more than one person should be sent by Blind Copy. This would obviously not apply to Committee notices etc.
0618/9	COMMITTEE ROLES
	 Chairman. Tim Lee was considering putting his name forward and asked about the ballot procedure. He also asked about membership numbers.
	Ballot Procedure. It was agreed that persons not known to the general membership who were putting up for office should write a few lines about themselves for the ballot papers.
	• Events Coordinator. The Chairman mentioned that a top priority would be to appoint an Events Coordinator.
0618/10	MARKETING
	New Brochure. Carol Meads distributed copies of the new brochure which was received with
	acclaim by Committee members. Carol was thanked heartily for all her efforts in this regard.
	Brochure Printing. Andrew Beeson was thanked for having got the brochure printed at such a page public printing.
	 reasonable price. Brochure Distribution. Carol was drawing up a list of suitable distribution points. (CM)
0610/11	DEVIEW OF EVENIES
0618/11	Nelson Blue Plaque Event Sunday 13 May 2018. A short report was received from Jocelyn Chatterton who wished Andy Moore, his wife and Mike Socket to be thanked for their help on the day. It was disappointing that the Mercury had omitted to mention SCS in its report. She had written but as yet had received no response. The Committee wished to thank Jocelyn for all her efforts in this regard. Blue Badge Tour of Cambridge. Ten members had gone on what was an excellent visit, largely thanks to Liz Hoddard, the Blue Badge Guide who led the group.
0618/12	SCHEDULED EVENTS
	Saturday 23 June 2018. St Leonard's Priory Party. All is in train for this event. Saturday & Sunday 8 & 9 September 2018. Heritage Open Days. Carol Meads had organised with Stephen Johnston for Father Gavin Cooper to lead St Mary's Schola in a Compline Service at St Leonard's Priory at 4.00 pm. on the Sunday. This was welcomed by the Committee. Thursday 11 October 2018. AGM. The Chairman aimed to have all the paperwork ready by the end of August in order that it could go out with the September Newsletter. (GG) Chairman's Talk Thursday 22 November 2018. Browne's Hospital had been booked.
0618/13	FUTURE EVENTS
5010/10	• Film re. Anne-Marie Evans. This would be a joint event to be held with the St Peter's
	Community Group at the Masonic Centre. The Secretary to liaise with Tom Nottidge and the Historical Society (Mike Sockett) re. date etc. (SEC)
	 Harrier Heritage Exhibition. David Taylor described an excellent visit he had had with a group. He agreed to try to organise a visit by SCS members in the Autumn. (DT)
0618/14	AWARDS
	• List of Potential Awardees. The Secretary agreed to draw up a list for consideration at the July Committee meeting. (SEC)
	• Agenda Position. The Chairman asked that this item should be well up the agenda in July. (SEC)

0618/15	HISTORIC SITES APP PROJECT
	 The Project. Tim Lee described the project in detail. It involved a map of Stamford where historic building icons could be hovered over thus bringing up a written description. More descriptions were needed if the Stamford New College students, who were developing the project, were to do an acceptable job. Peter Stean recommended using the Royal Commission book on Stamford which he offered to lend to Tim. (PS) Software. Tim asked if the College could have £49 for software to help with the project. The Chairman agreed in principle but said she would like to know what it was first. Prize. Tim asked if the SCS would fund a Wacon as a prize for the winning student. It was agreed that we could fund a prize.
6518/16	AOB NOT ALREADY ON THE AGENDA
	 Stamford Welland Academy Festival of Thought. Carol Meads agreed to send details to Committee members. (CM) Town Grass Cutting. David Taylor advised that grass cutting of verges etc. in the town was being cut back by LCC and that the Town Council was taking over much of it. He also confirmed that the contract for the Big Clean effort in the town had been awarded to a new contractor.
0618/17	DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING Wednesday 11 July 2018 at 7.15 pm. at 2 Cobblestone Yard



PRESENT

0718/1

STAMFORD CIVIC SOCIETY

(Registered Charity No. 242571)

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

of the meeting held at 10.00 am. on Wednesday 11 July 2018 at 2 Cobblestone Yard

	Gwyneth Gibbs (in the Chair), David Langridge (Secretary), Martin Lander (Treasurer), Paddy Jelen, David Lankester, Carol Meads, Andrew Moore, Andy Moore, Graddon Rowlands, Mike Sockett, Peter Stean, David Taylor and Michael Thompson.
	The Chairman welcomed Jim Mason as an observer.
0718/2	APOLOGIES Andrew Beeson and Jocelyn Chatterton.
0718/3	MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 13 JUNE 2018 The Minutes were accepted as a correct record.
0718/4	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA There were no matters arising.
0718/5	URBAN GROUP REPORT David Taylor reported that he had stepped down as Chairman of The Urban Group, a position taken up by Andy Moore. Andy then explained the functions of the Urban Group, primarily for the benefit of Jim Mason who was new to the workings of the SCS Committee and Sub-Committees. Terms of Reference for the Group were still under discussion. The following items were then discussed: • Water Street Project. AM felt that there had been a generally negative response at the public consultation meeting which had disappointed the members of the Urban Group. This disappointment had filtered back to local residents, many of whom were hoping that the whole project wouldn't therefore be abandoned. While the strong support for the retention of the Sensory Garden at the meeting did present a problem other members of the SCS Committee who had been present at the meeting then expressed varying views on how the project might proceed. Total abandonment was not a favoured option. The Urban group was meeting later in the day to consider how it should move forward and a further public meeting, together with some on-site viewing by locals, seemed appropriate. A piecemeal approach to the project over years was not favoured. • Red Lion Square. The Urban Group was continuing to lobby on this problem. • Lights on RLS. It was noted that these were now in place. • Other Issues. All other issues currently part of the Urban Group's brief were being monitored. (AM) agreed to send the minutes of the Urban Group's previous meeting to the Chairman and Secretary.
0718/6	PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT \$18/0179 Barn Hill Methodist Church Access Ramp \$18/1202 United Reform Church Repairs to Star Lane Archway \$19/1197 31B Scotgate Replacement windows There were no issues with the above applications other than the fact that John Smith had written to say that in the case of \$19/1197 he felt that the use of mock, stuck on, glazing bars for large sheets of double glazing might be regarded as something of a fraud.! This was left with the Planning Sub-Committee to discuss. • Development to the South of Kettering Road. As time for Kier Homes had currently run out a local builder, Simon Boon, had put forward a plan to build five houses, of a design in keeping with the conservation area, on one of the two available plots. A Neighbourhood Plan was being developed but would not be completed in time to have any influence. The STC and SKDC were still in favour of de-allocating totally. Ian Campbell, of the Stamford! - Protect Our Green Space group, was still opposed to any development at all in the area. Should the SCS become involved at this stage? It was still possible that there could be twenty nine houses built therefore perhaps we shouldn't object to five that were in keeping. In future a small number may well be built on the second plot. Decided to bide our time for now.
0718/7	TREASURER'S REPORT

	• End of Year. The SCS financial year ends on 31 July and the balance will be marginally less than
	at this time last year, largely owing to 50 th Year expenditure carrying over, the Nelson Dawson Plaque and the Mallory Lane Project. There are still reserves of £8 – 9 000 including £2 000 protected for the Urban Group. This was felt to be satisfactory. • Citiscape Maps. Query still ongoing.
0718/8	MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT
0,10,0	Number of members down from 212 to 208 in the past month.
0718/9	AWARDS The Secretary tabled a list of proposals made over the last few months. It was decided to make eight awards as follows:
	 ANN ELLIS. For her relentless determination in inaugurating Stamford in Bloom and thereby enhancing Stamford's Green Spaces. MICHAEL THURLBY. For his contribution to the enhancement of the Red Lion Square area.
	• IAN CAMPBELL. For his efforts to protect our heritage in founding Stamford! Protect Our Green Space.
	 DAVID DUNN. For the inspirational Mallory Lane Project. JOHN REGIS. For his help in maintaining Stamford's heritage, especially with regard to the Albert Bridge.
	• SIMON HARRIS. For his innovative architectural work in Stamford, particularly Marshalls Yard and the Priory Road House.
	 XXXXX XXXX. For her inspirational work in restoring the Christian Bookshop. (SEC) THE ST. PETER'S COMMUNITY GROUP. For its untiring efforts in maintaining the appearance of its area, particularly with regard to the Bastion and St Peter's Green. The Treasurer to let the Secretary know the details of the Christian Bookshop owner. (ML)
	Nelson Dawson Blue Plaque house owners to be invited to the AGM. The Secretary to send letters to the award winners. (SEC)
0718/10	COMMITTEE ROLES Chairman. Ongoing.
	Events Coordinator. The Secretary proposed that after the AGM a small sub-committee should be formed to carry out this role. Approved.
0718/11	MARKETING
	• Copyright Libraries. The Chairman to ask the copyright libraries if they would like past and current copies of the Review. (GG)
	Brochure Distribution. Carol Meads had distributed copies of the new brochure to appropriate venues and asked for further suggestions for suitable locations.
	• 2018 Review. Design and setting of the 2018 Review could be a problem. Carol Meads would speak to Paul Eastwood at an appropriate time in the future. If Paul could not manage it we could use a commercial concern. As a fallback David Taylor said that his business could cope with the design, setting and printing. This was much appreciated. Decision at the August Committee. (CM)
0718/12	REVIEW OF EVENTS
	Saturday 23 June 2018. St Leonard's Priory Party. A good event enjoyed by about fifty members and guests. Some comments were made about the state of the fabric of the building but John Smith had said that any problems were purely cosmetic.
0718/13	SCHEDULED EVENTS
	Saturday & Sunday 8 & 9 September 2018. Heritage Open Days. All in train. Anabel Morris had offered to help and this was welcomed by Carol Meads. Secretary to email Anabel. (SEC) Thursday 11 October 2018. AGM. Paperwork would be ready to go out with the September Newsletter.
	Tuesday 25 September. Film re. Anne-Marie Evans. Secretary to email reminder. (SEC) Chairman's Talk Thursday 22 November 2018.
0718/14	FUTURE EVENTS

	Harrier Heritage Exhibition. David Taylor to investigate possibilities. (DT) Future Talk. Peter Stean was exploring the possibility of a talk by a building Inspector who had worked in Bristol. (PS)
0718/15	AOB NOT ALREADY ON THE AGENDA
	None
0718/16	DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING
	Wednesday 08 August 2018 at 7.15 pm. Cobblestone Yard will not be available. Secretary to organise alternative. (SEC)
	Chairman. Away. Carol Meads to chair. (CM)



COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

of the meeting held at 7.15 pm. on Wednesday 8 August 2018 at 3 Exeter Court, St Peter's Street

0818/1	PRESENT Carol Meads (in the Chair), David Langridge (Secretary), Martin Lander (Treasurer), Paddy Jelen, Andrew Moore, Andy Moore, Graddon Rowlands, Mike Sockett and Peter Stean. Jim Mason was again present as an observer.
0818/2	APOLOGIES Andrew Beeson, Jocelyn Chatterton, Gwyneth Gibbs, David Lankester, David Taylor and Michael Thompson
0818/3	MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 11 JULY 2018 The Minutes were accepted as a correct record.
0818/4	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA The Treasurer reported that he had got no response from his email and telephone queries to Citiscape maps. He would send details to the Secretary who would write formally to Citiscape. (SEC & ML)
0818/5	URBAN GROUP REPORT Minutes of the meeting held on 18 July 2018 and the extraordinary meeting held on 31 July 2018 had been sent to Committee Members. The Urban Group Chairman, Andy Moore, updated Committee Members on a number of issues. • Water Street Project. AM confirmed that the project had been cancelled. Group Members had been very disappointed at taking this line of action but had felt that they had no alternative. A number of very unsupportive emails had been received and it had been felt that proceeding further was just far too difficult. (He did point out, however, that an equal number of very supportive emails had been received.) A number of comments, most particularly relating to procedural issues, were made by various Committee Members. Also, Peter Stean asked if we could do some bits of the project. AM felt not as there were too many opinions on everything at present. Discussion then centered on the formal relationship between the Urban Group and the SCS Committee. The Chairman ruled that the Urban Group Terms of Reference, still being developed, were a matter for the next Chairman and the next Committee and should therefore be raised again after the AGM in October. The Chairman asked AM to write a short paragraph for GG for the next Newsletter. (AM & GG) AM made the final point that the door was still open but that Water Street residents would need to make the next move. • Other Urban Group Issues: Red Lion Square. LCC were in no rush! Still on the Urban Group agenda. Horseshoe Lane. Ongoing. St Michael's Church Lighting. Ongoing Signage. Ongoing. Bottle Lodges. Ongoing. Sheepmarket Parking. Ongoing High Street Olive Tree. Many thanks to Duncan Lingard for keeping it watered. New High Street Tree. Local businesses were helping with watering. Bastion Green. Poor trench work appeared to have settled. Poor condition of some seats in the Town. Town Council to be asked to clean/renovate. (UG) High level of the Mill Stream adjacent to Bath Row. Chairman to ask Amanda Billington what the
0818/6	PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT

	S18/1109 Kingsmill Internal alterations and external works S18/121 54 St. Leonard's Street Change of colour to external rear walls S18/1207 Off Kettering Road Erection of 5 detached houses S18/0892 Tivoli Cottage, 5 Wothorpe Road Creation of 2nd floor + 2 roof lights S18/1290 10 Maiden Lane Demolish and erect listed rear extension S18/1053 3 St Mary's Place Enlarge approved summer house S18/1358 14 St. Mary's Hill Change of use S18/1358 14 St Mary's Hill Alterations to shopfront S18/1417 Cemetery Lodge, Radcliffe Road S18/1417 Cemetery Lodge, Radcliffe Road S18/1350 Station House, Stamford Station Siting of plaque S18/1253 6 High Street Change of use of 1st Floor + Ext. alterations S18/1254 6 High Street Change of use of 1st Floor + Ext. alterations S18/1210 Priory View, Priory Road Demolition of Bungalow + erection of 2 storey S18/1906 Grifins, North Street Demolition and erection of extensions The Planning SubCommittee's August Report had been sent to Committee Members. The Chairman to send comments to SKDC. S18/1207, S18/1906, S18/1253 and S18/1254 all had specific
	comments. Others were all <i>No Comment</i> apart from \$18/1417 and \$18/1350 on which we had yet to hear from the Planning SubCommittee as they had arrived too late for regular consideration. Comments on these latter two are due to SKDC by 24 and 28 August respectively and if anything is received by 14/08/18 the Secretary would forward to SKDC. After that date GG please send. (see AOB below) (SEC & GG)
0818/7	TREASURER'S REPORT The Treasurer presented the Annual Accounts for the year ending 31 July 2018 which have yet to be examined independently. These are appended to these minutes. New bank signatories would have to wait until after AGM elections and the following Committee Meeting whence a minute directing changes to be made would be available.
0818/8	MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT Number of members up from 208 to 211 in the past month.
0818/9	AWARDS The Secretary had not yet sent out letters to the awardees as he still did not have up to date information on the Christian Bookshop situation. The Treasurer would send all the information he had to the Secretary who would then act. (ML & SEC)
0818/10	COMMITTEE ROLES The Secretary suggested Melissa Thompson and Anabel Morris as potential Committee Members and these were approved although it was felt that Anabel might well decline to be put forward. The Secretary agreed to write to both. (SEC) Other Members were invited to put forward names. AM said that some of the Urban Group Members might be happy to be put forward. Committee Members to take individual action on this.
0818/11	MARKETING 2018 Review. Design and setting of the 2018 Review. The Chairman (CM) tabled a document on Design and Content for the 2018 review. This will be sent to all Committee Members. (SEC) The Chairman (CM) hoped to be working on design and production with David Taylor.
0818/12	REVIEW OF EVENTS No Events to be reviewed
0818/13	SCHEDULED EVENTS Saturday & Sunday 8 & 9 September 2018. Heritage Open Days. All in train. The Priory would be open from 1200 to 1600 on both days and on Sunday Compline would be sung by St Mary's Schola at 1600. Volunteers for the afternoon would be welcome. Thursday 11 October 2018. AGM. Paperwork would be ready to go out with the September Newsletter. Tuesday 25 September. Film re. Anne-Marie Evans. Secretary to email reminder on 3rd September next. (SEC) Chairman's Talk Thursday 22 November 2018.
0818/14	FUTURE EVENTS Peter Stean still had in hand the possible talk by the building inspector who had worked in Bristol.

	No detail yet on the possible visit to the Wittering Harrier Exhibition.
	A £ 600,000 appeal was being made for the renovation of St Mary's spire. It was possible that Fr. Gavin Cooper might give a talk on this project. GG to ask him. (GG)
	Mike Sockett asked that meetings on first Thursdays in the month could be avoided if possible as this was The Stamford and District Local History Society's regular meeting night.
0818/15	AOB NOT ALREADY ON THE AGENDA
	 Favourite Conservation Area Competition Civic Voice had asked the Stamford Civic Society to enter this competition stating in detail why we think that the Stamford Conservation Area is the best in the Country. The Chairman (CM) agreed to start this off, hopefully in conjunction with John Smith. (CM) World Heritage Status Graddon Rowlands suggested that Stamford might apply for World Heritage Status. The Chairman felt that should we be nominated as a favourite conservation area this could well be the next step. Extra Day for Stamford Fair Graddon Rowlands felt that we should express opposition to the idea of extending the fair to all day Sunday. After some discussion it was agreed that the Chairman (CM) should write to SKDC stating that while we had no objection to the fair in its totality we did feel that an extra day was a bridge too far. (CM)
	• Secretary Away The Secretary said that he would be away from Stamford from 15/08/18 to 01/09/18 inc. and while up until 25/08/18 he would be contactable by email after that he would be in the far west of Ireland and completely isolated from any form of communication other than person to person.
0818/16	DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING
	Wednesday 12 September 2018 at 7.15 pm. at 2 Cobblestone Yard.



COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

of the meeting held at 7.15 pm. on Wednesday 12 September 2018 at 2 Cobblestone Yard

0918/1	PRESENT Carol Meads (in the Chair), David Langridge (Secretary), Martin Lander (Treasurer), Andrew Beeson, Jocelyn Chatterton, David Lankester, Andrew Moore, Mike Sockett and Peter Stean. Jim Mason was again present as an observer.
0918/2	APOLOGIES Gwyneth Gibbs, Paddy Jelen, Andy Moore, Graddon Rowlands, David Taylor and Michael Thompson
0918/3	MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 8 AUGUST 2018 The Minutes were accepted as a correct record.
0918/4	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA Favourite Conservation Area Competition. Final draft has now been submitted. Carol Meads will send a copy to the Secretary for records purposes. (CM) World Heritage Status. Leave consideration of this to the new Committee after the AGM. Jocelyn Chatterton said she felt it would be a disaster owing to the probable great increase in visitors to the Town. (SEC) Extra Day for the Mid Lent Fair. Carol Meads had written to SKDC but had not yet received a reply. Millstream. Carol Meads had written to Amanda Billington but had not yet received a reply.
0918/5	 URBAN GROUP REPORT Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 14 August 2018 had been sent to Committee Members. As no member of the Urban Group was present there was no review of recent developments with Urban Group projects. Water Street. David Lankester said that it was a pity that this project had been stopped as there had been much to commend it. Citiscape Maps. Martin Lander had nothing to report as it appeared that no progress had been made. Signage in Stamford. Peter Stean said that SKDC had done some very good work on this. A recent meeting had produced a good set of proposals and work was progressing. SKDC were sponsoring a new Brown Sign on the A1 which was being managed by LCC Highways Department.
0918/6	PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT S18/1545 Kingsmill Listed Building Consent for Proposed Wine Store Internal Alterations S18/1443 Water Street Internal Alterations S18/1449 All Saints Street Internal Alterations S18/1455 St Leonard's Street Listed Building Consent for Rear and Side Extensions S18/1377 Scotgate Demolition of Extensions, Erection of 8 dwellings and Conversion of Multiple Dwelling House to Single Dwelling • S18/1535 7 High Street St Martin's Shopfront Painting • S18/1500 35-36 St Mary's Street Development Article 4(1) Direction proposal for the Stamford Conservation Area
	The Planning SubCommittee's Report of 6 September 2018 had been sent to Committee Members. The Planning SubCommittee had made a number of approving comments. Chairman to send positive responses (although this may not be strictly necessary). (CM)

	With regard to S18/1500 it was felt that it was a poor application and that there was insufficient information to come to any conclusions. S18/1535 was acceptable but reference should be made to the Shopfront Guide, particularly re. the raised lettering on the sign. Chairman to write to SKDC to this effect and also check if we had had an application for The Old Barn in St Mary's Passage. (CM)
0918/7	TREASURER'S REPORT The 2017/2018 accounts had been examined. The Treasurer will print 50 copies for the AGM. (ML) A minute approving the signing of cheques by Andrew Moore would be incorporated in the November Committee minutes. (SEC)
0918/8	MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT Number of members from 211 at the last Committee Meeting to 210 (One member having died in July). Andrew Beeson had raised the question of possible Corporate Membership. To be discussed by the new committee at the next meeting. (SEC) Secretary to let Carol Meads have current and new membership figures for the 2018 Review. (SEC)
0918/9	AWARDS Most had accepted. Secretary to chase up the last three and draw up a list for the AGM. (SEC)
0918/10	COMMITTEE Standing down from the Committee at the AGM were Mike Sockett and Martin Lander. Both were thanked by the Chairman for their loyal service to the Society over the years. David Taylor wished to remain on the Committee. Paddy Jelen had three persons who would like to join the Society and possibly be considered for Committee membership at some time in the future. They may come to the AGM but not vote. The Secretary would make suitable voting/election arrangements for the AGM when all Committee nominations were in. One member had approached the Secretary with a view to standing as Chairman. It was agreed that the Secretary would send the Person and Job Specifications that had been used for the press release. (SEC)
0918/11	MARKETING Everything is in train for the production of the 2018 Review with the exception of one page to be completed and some statistics to be added.
0918/12	 REVIEW OF EVENTS Saturday & Sunday 8 & 9 September 2018. Heritage Open Days. All went very well with much help from Committee members as well as Melanie Sockett and Anabel Morris. It was agreed to let it be known that we would be interested in taking part again next year (Friday 13 – Sunday 22 September 2019).
0918/13	Anne-Marie Evans Film Tuesday 25 September 2018. The Secretary had sent out a follow up to the Newsletter letting members know that tickets (free) would be required and that they could be obtained from Barbara Keene. AGM Thursday 11 October 2018. Tasks as follows: Secretary – Liaise with the Town Hall on what was required, sort out reserved seats for awardees, prepare a list of awardees and their reasons for the award, prepare an annotated (SO and paid) list of members for the Treasurer, prepare an extended agenda for Orlando, be upstairs to greet awardees and take minutes. Jocelyn Chatterton – be upstairs to greet guests and members. Organise and serve nibbles. Make a presentation on the Nelson Dawson Plaque. Mike Sockett – Organise and serve drinks. Peter Stean and Graddon Rowlands – Greet downstairs and make sure register is signed. Chairman – Chair the Meeting. Carol Meads – Prepare a sheet introducing all the new Officers to go on seats. Other Committee Members – make themselves generally useful! NB. Be there by 1845 at the latest and be wearing name badges (including Andrew Moore). Chairman's Talk Thursday 22 November 2018.
0918/14	FUTURE EVENTS No further suggestions since the last Committee Meeting.

0918/15	AOB NOT ALREADY ON THE AGENDA
	Handover of Chairmanship. The current Chairman would liaise with the successful candidate. Stamford Welland Academy. The Academy was keen to work with the Stamford Civic Society on a joint Arts project. Next Committee Meeting. (SEC) Ellys Manor House. A petition was being organised against what was regarded as unsuitable development. As the Manor was close to Grantham it was not regarded as being strictly our concern. Unlisted Buildings in a Conservation Area. David Lankester advised that such buildings might well require planning permission in the future.
0918/16	DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING
	Wednesday 14 November 2018 at 7.15 pm. at 2 Cobblestone Yard.



COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

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1118/1	PRESENT Jim Mason (in the Chair), David Langridge (Secretary), Andrew Moore (Treasurer), Andrew Beeson,
	Paddy Jelen, Carol Meads, Andy Moore, Graddon Rowlands and David Taylor
11118/2	APOLOGIES Jocelyn Chatterton, David Lankester, Tim Lee, Peter Stean and Michael Thompson
1118/3	MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 12 SEPTEMBER 2018
	The Minutes were accepted as a correct record.
1118/4	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA
	• Favourite Conservation Area Competition. Carol Meads was complimented on the excellence of her presentation for this event. Although SCS had not been as successful as we had hoped, only coming fifth of the eighteen submissions shortlisted, it was none the less a very worthwhile effort which might well be used in a future SCS Review. Some doubts were expressed over the judging criteria.
	• World Heritage Status. It was agreed that this would involve a huge amount of work and some reservations were expressed about the merits of such status for a small market town. However, it was agreed that Graddon Rowlands should investigate further and report back at the next Committee meeting. (GR)
	• Extra Day for the Mid Lent Fair. This proposal had been declined by SKDC.
	Millstream. See Urban Group Report.
	• Stamford Welland Academy – Joint Arts Project. This did not appear to be progressing at present and it was agreed that SCS should not be proactive in this project but wait until SWA got back to us.
1118/5	URBAN GROUP REPORT Minutes of the Urban Group (UG) meetings held on Wednesday 19 September and Wednesday 24 October 2018 had been sent to Committee Members. The Chairman made a number of comments on items listed in the minutes of the two previous meetings. Andy Moore, Chairman of the UG, having reported that the money owed by Citiscape Maps had been paid by Bank Transfer, then expanded on the following: • The Millstream Project. This was being moved forward by a small team led by Amelia Billington who had now become a member of the UG and who would be reporting on progress at the next UG meeting. It was agreed that the SCS Committee should stand back until it saw how the project was moving but the Chairman did emphasize that SCS should be more than just interested. It was also agreed that this would be a UG project and that the SCS should act as Banker and Registered Charity for the project. • Bottle Lodges. While the bollards were still to come this was viewed as a success story. • Signage and Pedestrianisation. Ann Fitzgerald, who had joined the UG, was liaising with Cllr Robert Foulkes in this regard. • Historic Sites App. This project was being moved forward by Tim Lee and Graddon Rowlands in conjunction with Stamford New College. It was suggested the when the App was in use it should indicate that SCS was involved in its production each time it was activated. • Memorial Benches. The Treasurer reported that funding for the Army benches was marginally oversubscribed. As Don Lambert was now seeking funding for a new project, Airforce Memorial Benches, he proposed that the £200 donation from SCS should be moved to this latter project. This proposal was seconded by the Secretary and agreed unanimously. The question of future maintenance was raised and David Taylor agreed to investigate who would be responsible, SKDC or STC. (DT)
	St Michael's Churchyard Floodlights. Andy Moore hoped that these would be funded by the
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Skells Trust.

• Horseshoe Lane Lighting. The Cosy Club management had agreed to fund this.

The Secretary then raised the question of the unsightly rubbish bins beside the Riverside. Members pointed out that this was caused by the first-floor flats and that the letting agency involved was anxious to find a solution to the problem and was writing for guidance. The situation was complicated by the fact that it was LCC land but SKDC provided some of the bins and another was provided by a private company. David Taylor agreed to look into the matter and the Secretary agreed to write to the member who had raised it with him. (DT, SEC)

The Secretary also raised the question of the historic gate between Bath Row and Warrenne Keep which had now been replaced by a sheet of chipboard. Carol Meads pointed out that planning permission had been sought some time ago and that it was probably being repaired/renovated prior to being replaced.

1118/6 PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT

The Notes from meetings held on 04 October 2018 and 08 November 2018 had been sent to Committee Members.

S18/1388 5 Red Lion Street **Sub Division of Maisonette** S18/1389 5 Red Lion Street **CCTV** in Station S18/1722 Stamford Station S18/1716 64 High Street **Shop Fitting & Signage** S18/1801 43 St Mary's Street Alterations and Extension to Restaurant S18/1804 34 Conduit Road (Guide HQ) **Erection of two buildings S18/1743 10A Water Street Replacement Windows and Patio Doors S18/1886** 1 Cheyne Lane Repairs & Alterations to North Boundary Wall S18/1831 14 Rutland Terrace LBC Demolition, Erection, Renovation & Alts. S18/1867 Flat 12 Lord Burghley's Hosp. **Installation of Secondary Double Glazing** S18/1753 24 St. Leonard's Street **Demolition, Erection, Dormers & Alterations** S18/2017 24 St. Leonard's Street S18/1558 5 Castle Street Alteration to Signage S18/1990 10 Bath Row **Replacement Front Porch** S18/2055 St Michael's Church Unit 3 Repl't Signage, Repair Storefront & Int. Refit S18/2050 6 St George's Street Replacement Stone, Re-pointing & Cleaning

Carol Meads had already dealt with the items on the report from the Planning Sub-Committee meeting held on 04/10/18, ie. first four on the above list. The Chairman will deal with the following thirteen items, ie. those on the report of the Planning Sub-Committee Meeting held on 08/11/18, having consulted with the Secretary on procedure. (JM & SEC) The Chairman would also draw SKDC's attention to the fact that SCS was not receiving all the planning applications for the Conservation Area. (JM)

Internal Fit Out

1118/7 TREASURER'S REPORT

S18/2044 The Riverside

Current balances were £5 029 in the current account and £6 744 in a Melton Mobray BS account of which some £2 000 was earmarked for Urban Group projects.

The Treasurer proposed to move the funds in the Melton Mobray BS to the Nationwide BS in Stamford. This was approved. (TREAS)

It was reported that the procedure for STC part funding for SCS projects would be changing. Rather than a block grant of £1 000 pa. being given funding for individual projects would have to be sought.

David Langridge (Secretary) proposed, and Carol Meads seconded, the following motion: That two of the three authorised HSBC bank cheque signatories should be changed. Andrew Roy Moore (Treasurer) to replace Martin Lander and James Edward Mason (Chairman) to replace Gwyneth Gibbs, and that Andrew Moore should arrange for these changes to take place.

The motion was carried unanimously. (TREAS)

1118/8 **MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT**

The Membership Secretary reported that the number of members currently stood at 217. Members joining since the September Committee Meeting were Mr Chris McLeod & Ms Ann Fitzgerald, Dr Mike & Mrs Delyth Dronfield, Mr Clive Sherwood and Mr James Eastaway.

Corporate Membership. The pros and cons of possible corporate membership were discussed and Andrew Besson volunteered to produce a paper for discussion at the December 2018 meeting. (AB) COMMITTEE A number of key Committee positions were currently vacant and considerable discussion ensued. The following were the main conclusions reached. Of paramount importance was the appointment of an Fivents Coordinator working as lead in a subcommittee of three. While nebody had volunteered for this position Graddon Rowlands, who had taken on this role for many years in the past, was willing to act as coordinator for the next six months. The two other members suggested were Tim Lee and Jocelyn Chatterton. (Jocelyn had indicated that she was willing to foot after refreshments at meetings and the Secretary said that his wife was happy to stand in when foocelyn was away). Tim and Jocelyn to be approached. A new team of two was essential to produce a 2019 Review. No volunteers as yet. David Lankester was suggested as the person to handle education establishment flaison. Other vacant positions to be filled as soon as possible. MARKETING Carol Meads reported that the 2018 Review was currently with the designers, Inception Design. Due to increased design costs this year a reduced print run had been envisaged. However, the Chairman pointed out that this was by far our best unfacting tool and so it was decided to run an extra fift copies over and above the current planned surplus of about thirty. (CM) The Review would be printed before Christmas and distributed, largely by hand, early in the new year. Discussion then centred around the use of Social Media as a marketing tool. David Taylor agreed to take on the position of SCS Social Media Executive! REVIEW OF EVENT The AGM and Awards Ceremony had gone well. The question of whether or not the Urban Group Chairman should have a slot at the AGM was raised as was the number of Awards and the frequency of Award distribution. It was decided to discuss Awards at the May Committee		
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	 agreed that we should and Andrew Beeson agreed to contact Peterborough Civic Society with a view to seeking advice to move this forward. To be put on the agenda for the next meeting. (AB, SEC) Ann Ellis had questioned the state of the frontage of Stapleton & Son, Solicitors in Broad Street. The Secretary informed the meeting that he seemed to have acquired an additional email address – info@stamfordcivicsociety.org.uk and that it was producing a significant quantity of mail. He was given authority to use his discretion in responding to, distributing or deleting this mail. Barbara Keene had asked the Secretary if SCS would like to hold copies of the Anne-Marie Evans film for sale. The Secretary had declined this on the grounds that sales at the Arts Centre would be a sufficient outlet.
1118/15	DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING
	Wednesday 12 December 2018 at 4.00 pm. at 2 Cobblestone Yard.



COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

of the meeting held at 4.00 pm. on Wednesday 12 December 2018 at 2 Cobblestone Yard

(Please note that the initials of persons required to take actions are indicated in (Bold) type)

1218/1	PRESENT
1210/1	Jim Mason (in the Chair), David Langridge (Secretary), Andrew Moore (Treasurer), Andrew Beeson, David Lankester, Tim Lee, Carol Meads, Andy Moore, Graddon Rowlands and David Taylor.
1218/2	APOLOGIES
	Jocelyn Chatterton, Paddy Jelen, Peter Stean and Michael Thompson.
1218/3	MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2018
	The Minutes were accepted as a correct record.
1218/4	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA
	There were no matters arising.
1218/5	COMMITTEE
	The Chairman led a discussion on the structure of the Committee. He began by stating that he saw the
	Civic Society as being very important to Stamford both strategically and from the point of view of retaining
	the towns heritage and unique character. The Society interacted with many high-profile local persons, for
	example in local government, the professions and the general public. As such it needed to present itself as
	being structured as a proficient business and charity. He therefore visualised the Committee being
	organised as follows:
	A Financial Services Group. The Treasurer, providing services to other groups.
	A Technical Group. The Planning Sub-Group.
	An Administrative Group. The Secretary, providing services to other groups.
	An Action Group. The Urban Group, which would seek to improve the aesthetics and facilities of
	Stamford and be fully integrated with the Committee availing of services provided by other groups.
	A Business Planning Group raising the profile of the Society in a variety of ways. The chairman of the Urban Group, Andy Moore, expressed some concern about the possible opposition and
	delays to Urban Group projects that this structure might cause. However, he was assured by the Chairman
	that this would not be the case and that being an integrated part of the Committee could only be of benefit to
	the work of the Urban Group.
	The Chairman summed up this part of the discussion by saying that we did need to be seen by our members, and by the wider Stamford public, as a fully integrated body. This was accepted by the Committee.
	Discussion then centred round the work of the Business Planning Group. Tim Lee, the leader of this group,
	stated that there appeared to be no business plan for the Society and that this was essential before a
	marketing strategy could be developed. He then made a number of observations, viz: That the Society
	currently had just over 200 members which was similar to civic societies in other similarly sized towns; that
	the Society needed to be more integrated with other Stamford organisations, eg. U3A and the Arts Society;
	that we needed a more modern joining system, eg. to make BACS available for payment of subscriptions
	etc.; that civic pride should be a focal point of our mission statement and that we could look to Civic Voice
	as good practice when developing that statement. This was all accepted by the Committee.
	Graddon Rowlands, David Taylor and David Lankester agreed to join the Business Planning Group and
	Andrew Beeson agreed to support it. Tim Lee agreed that the group would produce papers for the
	Committee to consider at future Committee meetings.
	Andrew Beeson then produced an excellent paper on Corporate Membership which was approved by the
	Committee. After some discussion it was agreed that the Business Planning Group would draw up a target

list of suitable local businesses for consideration by the Committee at a future meeting. However, it would

be essential to have a Business Plan in place before endeavouring to attract corporate members.

Given that Society events would form a significant part of the Business Planning Group's activities a draft plan for events in 2019 was considered at this stage.

1218/5 Cont.

January Stamford's Medieval Churches - Fr Gavin Cooper. (DT) to arrange.

February The Neighbourhood Plan/ Urban Character Assessment. (DT)

March Members' Evening - Cllr Matthew Lee presentation.

April Longthorpe Tower talk. (GR) to arrange.

May Visit to Wittering RAF base. (DT) to arrange

June Midsummer Party at St Leonards Priory. (PJ & TL) to arrange.

July John Culverhouse - Burghley Walled Garden etc. (DT) to arrange.

Michael Cross or alt. - The Georgian Festival. (DT) to arrange.

September Visit to Ketton Cement. (JM) to arrange.

October AGM. (JM) to ask President to suggest speaker.

November Gil Darby on local topic if possible. (GR) to arrange.

December Seasonal Reception.

Events should be scheduled, where possible, on the second, third or fourth Thursday of the month.

Possible alternative speakers: Alan Short, Ross Thain, Jill Collinge, Stuart Orme and Simon Harris.

Alternative possible topics: Malcolm Sargent, Red Arrows, Stamford Companies and Priories of Stamford.

(TL) to research possible speakers.

It was suggested that the Heritage Weekend be added to the programme. (CM) to send details to (TL).

Possible participation in the Georgian Festival and a visit to Hatfield House were also suggested.

The Secretary showed Committee members a draft programme card that could be sent out with the Review in January. This was agreed. (GR) to let (SEC) have the programme in as much detail as possible by the end of December.

There was then some discussion on the venue for regular meetings. While Browne's Hospital was undoubtedly delightful there were considerable accessibility problems. Might the Arts Centre be an occasional alternative? It was felt that the Arts Centre Blue Room might well be very suitable.

The Secretary reported that the owner of Primrose Cottage (the new Simon Harris designed property on Priory Road) had offered an invitation to a group of about 20 persons to look round. The Secretary agreed to liaise with the owner with a view to organising a group of Committee members (plus significant others!) to look round early on a Committee afternoon in, say, April or May 2019. (SEC)

1218/6 URBAN GROUP REPORT

Minutes of the Urban Group (UG) meeting held on Wednesday 21 November 2018 had been sent to Committee Members.

The Urban Group Chairman made the following comments:

The Millstream. The Steering Group was meeting on Monday 17 December 2019 and Andy Moore and David Lankester would be attending to represent the Urban Group.

Red Lion Square. A letter had recently been sent to 30 national experts and some useful replies had already been received. Lobbying was ongoing. Graddon Rowlands and David Taylor were meeting with Nick Boles on Thursday 10 January 2019.

Horseshoe Lane. Three lanterns were now to be fitted as a left over from RLS had been found.

Bottle Lodges. Still ongoing.

Sheep Market Bollards. Still ongoing.

Riverside Bins. The bins were being removed and in future bags would be picked up by SKDC.

Signage Project. The Secretary would contact Andrew Norman of InvestSK to suggest he contacts Jill Collinge with regard to *Ambassadors*. (SEC)

Priory Maintenance. The Urban Group would continue to monitor the state of the fabric of the Priory.

Olive Tree Watering. Although he had left the Urban Group Duncan Lingard had agreed to continue

	watering the olive tree in the High Street
1218/7	PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT The Notes from meeting held on 06 December 2018 had been sent to Committee Members.
	S18/2066 31 St Peter's Street Replacement Shop Window S18/2066 2 St Mary's Hill LBC for Removal of Stone Wall & Replacing Coping S18/1295 31 St Peter's Street Replacement Hardwood Sash Windows (S18/1770 Greengates St Leonards Street New Frontage)
	The Chairman had forwarded the Planning Sub-Committee's comments to SKDC. However, he said that he would prefer to meet with Ian Wright rather than to just send a version of John Smith's suggested letter.
1218/8	TREASURER'S REPORT Current balances were £5 177.07 in the current account and £6 744.58 in the Melton Mowbray BS account of which some £2 000 was earmarked for Urban Group projects. The Treasurer also stated that £2 591.58 of the balances consisted of receipts for the Don Lambert War Bench Project and therefore the available balance at 12/12/18 was actually £9 330.07
	The Treasurer reported that he was currently endeavouring to sort out the list of members who had signed up to Gift Aid.
	It was agreed to discontinue the practice of requiring bookings for speaker events at Browne's Hospital as so few did this that it had become irrelevant!
1218/9	MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT The Membership Secretary reported that Pam Sharp had died since the last Committee meeting and membership therefore currently stood one less at 216.
	Corporate Membership. This was dealt with under 1218/5 above.
1218/10	MARKETING Carol Meads distributed copies of the recently printed 2018 Review which were received with acclamation!
	Carol then mentioned her appreciation of the help given by David Taylor and Andrew Beeson in the production of the Review.
	The Chairman was to draft a letter to go with the review, Andrew Beeson would get it printed, Tim Lee would check the list of those other than members who would receive copies which Carol would then pass to the Secretary who would then print the labels. (JM, AB, TL & SEC)
	Programme cards would be printed by the Secretary and passed to Carol. (SEC)
1218/11	REVIEW OF EVENT Thursday 22 November 2018. Gwyneth Gibbs Did Dr Fennell Save Stamford? It was felt by all members who attended that this had been an excellent event and an enjoyable and fitting occasion to complete Gwyneth's eleven years as Chairman.
1218/12	SCHEDULED EVENTS There were currently no imminent scheduled events.
1218/13	FUTURE EVENTS This was dealt with under 1218/5 above.
1218/14	BUSINESS PLAN This was dealt with under 1218/5 above.
1218/15	AOB NOT ALREADY ON THE AGENDA As the Chairman guillotined the meeting at 6.03 pm. AOB was carried over to the January 2019 Meeting.

1218/16	DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING
	Wednesday 09 January 2019 at 4.00 pm. at 2 Cobblestone Yard.