

Chairman's Notes

We are now in the second year of our existence, the membership at the end of the first year totalling 435. Paid up members for 1974 so far number 349. For those whose subscriptions are still outstanding, it would be appreciated if you could let any committee member have your 25p. You can be sure that someone has called at your house but did not find you in. Your co-operation in subscribing would be most welcome.

Following the Annual General meeting in March, we have had some changes on the Committee and it is hoped that the enthusiasm shown in the past will be maintained. However, as always, it is essential for you to let us know of any change (or lack of change) in our community which is causing concern. Your suggestions will be investigated and representations, where appropriate, will be made to the relevant bodies. Experience has shown that the voice of the Association is listened to much more readily than a number of individual requests although an individual approach is very often the best first step.

Our next public meeting (details below) is a follow-up to the talk we had last year on local planning policy and an interesting selection of slides will be shown. We hope that many of you will come along and make it an entertaining and lively evening.

John Dixon
Chairman

Quarterly Meeting

The next meeting will be at 7.30 pm. on Tuesday 11th June in the Lowry Hall. The subject of the talk, which will be illustrated with slides, will be The South Hampshire Structure Plan and its effects on Gosport in general and Lee-on-the-Solent in particular.

Current Topics

- (a) Planning
- i. The application for an 8 storey development on the Belle Vue site has been refused by the Gosport District Council. We will continue to keep a watchful eye on this and other projected developments on the sea-front in accordance with the Association's general policy for this important face of Lee-on-the-Solent.
 - ii. 67 Acre Site west of Common Barn Lane No detailed plans are yet available although surveying activities continue. Two houses in Russell Road are now empty and the general scheme of access and general roads agreed.
 - iii. It is understood that the pond by the Inn-by-the-Sea is not now in danger of being filled-in.
- (b) Pedestrian Crossing It will be remembered that we requested the provision of a pedestrian crossing opposite Solent Gardens. This request was turned down on the grounds of lack of sufficient traffic during the winter months. With the advent of the one way system (see next item) the traffic along Marine Parade has greatly increased and it is intended to renew the application.
- (c) One way Traffic System The impression being gathered by the Committee so far is that a large number of people are not entirely happy with the present lay-out of the system but only one letter has been received on the subject and your comments either verbally or in writing to any member of the Committee are urgently needed. It is only by hearing your views that a representative and constructive criticism can be given by the Association.
- (d) Diversion of Daedalus Traffic during Security Checks The problem of traffic congestion in the Daedalus area during security checks has been discussed with the Police and a follow-up letter has recently been sent to the Executive Officer there. It is hoped that a solution acceptable to the naval authorities, the police and the residents will be evolved.

X (e) Water Skiing Water skiing areas for 1974 have now been defined by the Queen's Harbour Master and new signs are in the course of preparation. It is anticipated that they will be ready for this summer season. The Association is not opposed to water skiing as such but there are a selfish and irresponsible few who cause danger to the users of both the beach and the water. Members could assist in this matter by immediately telephoning the police when they observe any flagrant and dangerous breaches of the regulations as posted. For the future the Association will continue to press for all licence holders to observe the speed limits, to conduct themselves with thought for others, not to waterski within a quarter of a mile of the beach and to have at least two persons in the boat at all times.

FOR INFORMATION

Dates of Quarterly Meetings

Tuesday 11th June 1974
17th September 1974
3rd December 1974

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