Minutes & Action Points of IHBC South Branch Meeting held on the evening of May 4th 2016 at The Swan, East Ilsley.

Present
Jonathan Clarke, Alison Davidson, David Birkett, Morweena Breen-Haynes, Gill Butler

The Wool House, Tudor House and St Michael’s Church Visit.

This event went very well and the write up is to be circulated to all South Branch members with a reminder of the next event at Hartwell House. JC / MM

Hartwell House and Gardens Tour

Is all set up for May 20th.
Flyer and Booking form to be produced a.s.a.p. MB-H
To be sent to Marian, Alison and Jonathan for further circulation.
The focus of this event is networking
Marian has kindly offered to keep tally of people wishing to attend. MM

Shaw House AGM – Planning Debate / Discussion

Has been booked for October 7th, 9-30am to 4-00pm
Sandwiches, tea and coffee have also been reserved.
Alison and Kevin are the key drivers of this event and will begin to book suitable speakers.
The crux of the days conference is about how different parties can work together most effectively in the best interests of historic buildings.
Speakers will represent different interests, such as David presenting the architects view, with key players representing, Planning, Conservation, Clients, and Historic England.
Gill is going to approach the Newbury Society to see if they can supply a good local speaker.
Part of the day must be set aside for the AGM as well as a discussion to encourage audience participation. GB

Bursledon Brickworks – “Lime Crime” Event

Has been booked for November 18th with a conference room upstairs and demonstration areas below.
The focus is to be on Lime use in old buildings, recent learnings from past mistakes to be helpful for both experienced practitioners and novices.
Key speakers will need to be identified but this can wait until Sarah is fully better. SH
**Worcester Summer School – People Power**

South Branch are keen to sponsor 1 individual for the whole school who can best make a good case for securing the generous funding. This is to be publicised as a separate e-mail to all South Branch members. Jonathan to discuss with Emilia. JC / EM

**South Branch Membership**

Jonathan is to discuss with Carla Pianese having already exchanged e-mails with Seán O’Reilly on the same topic. The feeling in South Branch is that universities and places of learning focusing on conservation are not supplying the numbers of new members as in the past. JC

**Next Meeting**

Thursday June 16th 7-00pm, Venue TBC JC

**Other Matters**

Alison updated us on the Council+ meeting in Derby, the day before. We feel we can supply one person to attend the next Branch Connection Day but this might be better if it was a more localised occasion rather than a national event. JC

The issue of whether we can pay speakers to come to our events was discussed and the consensus was that this should be allowed provided sufficient funds are available. Probably best to review on an event by event basis. JC / DB

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