Nayland with Wissington Conservation Society

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Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday 9th March 2010 in Nayland Village Hall

1. Present: The Chairman, Committee members and about 60 members and friends.

2. Apologies: Mrs. M. Fairhead, Mr & Mrs. D.Heigham, Prof. & Mrs. P. Grootenhuis, Mr. & Mrs. J. Wilson-Smith, Mr. & Mrs. B Stanton, Mr. & Mrs. M. Hunter, Mr. & Mrs. F. Jones, Mrs. T. Moule, Mrs. B. Wakefield.

3. Minutes of the Previous Open Meeting were approved and signed. Proposed: Pip Neave

Seconded: Sheila Grove-White

3. **Matters Arising:** There were none.

4. Chairman's Report: Circulated in advance. Taken as read.

The Chairman outlined the **Programme for 2010**:

June: False Fronts on Suffolk Houses October: Made in Ipswich

Open Gardens 13th June: If anyone would like to open their garden, please get in touch with

Andora or any Committee member.
Joint Meeting: Stag Beetles
Chairman's Update:

Living in a Conservation Area leaflet is almost complete and will be available at the next meeting.

Meadow: Fencing has been repaired and the Environment Agency have begun dredging the river.

Nayland Book: Sad to report that Leigh's wife died in February. However we hope to get back on track with the book this summer or in the near future.

Horkesley Park planning meeting is expected shortly. Further information available on the Colchester Borough Council website.

5. Treasurer's report:

These were presented by Richard Cave. Both the Society's Accounts and those of the Land Company were Approved: Proposed: Suki Cohen Seconded: Jennie Hoskins Carried unanimously. The Chairman then bade farewell to Richard and thanked him for his work as Treasurer. He is retiring this year due to other commitments. The Chairman presented him with a bottle of wine as a token of thanks.

6. Election of Chairman, Officers and the Committee for 2009/10.

Chairman: John Alexander proposed by Barry Wakefield, who also proposed a vote of thanks.

Seconded: Andrew Eldridge.

The following officer and Committee members were proposed and seconded and approved unanimously:

The Vice-Chairman Martin Wright Hon. Treasurer: Jennie Jenkins Hon. Secretary: Andora Carver

Committee Members: Clemency Doxey Margaret Dowding

Pauline Heigham Jill Badman

Andrew Eldridge

The Chairman thanked Prue Hardy for her local contribution to the Committee for the last 18 years. We would be delighted if she could become an Honorary Committee Member and continue to keep in touch with what goes on.

Jennie Jenkins and Clemency Doxey were welcomed onto the Committee

7. **Any Other Business:** There was none

The Meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Barry Garnham then gave a fascinating demonstration of cutting and assembling a coloured glass panel. The process starts with a paper plan with lines for the glass joins. Glass is cut using a diamond cutter and special pliers. Lead comes in 6ft. "canes" and when stretched becomes strong enough to stay rigid. It is lined up round the glass pieces, opened up and the glass fitted in, held in place with horseshoe nails. The lead is folded over and soldered at the joins, tallow having been rubbed into the soldering areas to prepare the lead. The solder strip is composed of tin and lead mixed. Finally leaded light cement is used to fill the gap between the glass and lead strip, which also waterproofs the panel. Barry is kindly donating the panel he made to the Society and it will be on view at future meetings.