KENT ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Minutes of Publications Committee, Saturday 19 March 2016, 11.00 a.m.

Present: Elizabeth Edwards (chairman), Peter Clark, Ted Connell, Terry Lawson, Sheila Sweetinburgh, Cressida Williams and Elizabeth Blanning.,

- 1. Apologies for absence: David Killingray
- 2. Minutes of the meeting held on Saturday 10 September 2016 were approved and signed.
- 3. Matters arising: none
- 4. Budget 2017

EE informed the committee that the entire budget of £3000 had been reinstated for this year following a previous misunderstanding at Council. Thanks to TC for his part in correcting this.

4. KAS Newsletter

The next edition has gone to the printers.

There will be an extra edition this year with a July 1 copy date. There was some concern expressed that this would require that KAS programme of events to be established by this date for its inclusion.

There has been some slippage in the dates of publication.

It was pointed out that it would be useful to know the proposed content of future newsletters prior to publication in order to coordinate with the production of *Archaeologia Cantiana* EE to liaise with Richard Taylor

5. AC vol.138, 2017 is nearly finished

It was agreed at Council that the Annual Report can from henceforth be omitted as published online. This gives leeway for an extra article.

AC vol.139, 2018: few contributions as yet. Deadline is September/October.

6. Hasted Prize:

- a) 2013: this is held up in publication
- b) 2015: revision continues
- c) Online publication of abstracts of theses: these are already accessible online which is acceptable for now.

7. Thirsk Prize (2016)

There have been no submissions for this year's prize.

There was general agreement that greater publicity is needed both at home and in Europe and that Transmanche submissions would be welcome.

8. Kent New Research and Publications Fund:

'Immigration and Emigration in Kent'

This publication is progressing well, with about ¾ of articles in an advanced state of readiness and one already complete. It will incorporate the entire conference proceedings plus extra material and a substantial and analytical introduction.

Figures and tables will need work.

One lecture will need to be transcribed once the recording is obtained.

EE to talk to BB re transcription costs.

9. Revised edition of *Historical Atlas of Kent*

Proceedings have reached an impasse as the History Press do not see any commercial future in a 2^{nd} edition.

Felt that this is a signature volume for the KAS and as such it needs to be up to date.

If a 2nd edition is to go ahead, KAS will have to commission and fund new cartography, etc.. Such funding might be obtainable next year: EE to speak to BB.

KAS holds the copyright of the content, History Press of the layout.

PC suggests approaching other publishers.

TL and DK to report back at next meeting.

10. Front Line Kent: Proposal from Victor Smith for a revised edition of the KCC 2001 book

This was agreed to be a good idea in principle although some idea of the costs involved will be needed before agreeing.

PC suggested that it might be better to wait until the new gazetteer of sites is completed. EE to put VS in touch with Andrew Richardson.

11. Dutch in the Medway 1667 conference

This will include three weeks of activities in the Historic Dockyard an a two-day weekend conference preceded by a Friday evening lecture for locals.

The Bridge Wardens have promised a very generous contribution towards publishing the conference proceedings in book format, but are not contributing towards the conference itself. Money from the Netherlands is promised towards both.

University of Kent is hosting the conference.

Funds are still needed for contributor expenses.

Agreed to recommend to Council that £500 is donated towards conference costs. EE to write a brief note to Council in respect of this, for consideration at meeting on June 10.

12. 800th anniversary of the translation of Becket's shrine

This will be celebrated in 2020.

A conference may be arranged for November 2020 but the core of activity will be in July with a stand-alone lecture series and a medieval weekend at Canterbury Christ Church University.

No details yet.

Note the possibility of contributing towards costs of the conference.

13. KAS eReport series. Proposal from Peter Clark

TC: certainly possible to provide citations for eReports (author; date of publication; title) Provision of DOIs more complicated; PC and TC to liaise and investigate.

13. Other Business

Members of the Committee stressed the importance of publication as central to the rationale of the Society.

CW: it is 50 years since the publication of *Canterbury Under the Angevin Kings*. There is to be a day event marking this at the Cathedral Archives on May 28. Proceedings possibly to be published.

EE: Chris Blair-Myers plans online publication of papers from the KAS Villas in the Roman Landscape conference. Add to agenda.

14. Date of next meeting: Saturday 9 September 2017 at 11 am in Canterbury, venue to be confirmed.