

## **Minutes of the OP Society Committee Meeting at the Naval Club** **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2016**

**Present:** R. Shuttleworth (President), R. Knight (Hon. Vice President), M. Rayner (Chairman), M. Dumas (Vice President), T. Garnier (Headmaster), C. Parry, M. Nicholson, P. Lawrence, A. Sterling, W. Donaldson, R. Meacher (Secretary), D. Metcalf, L. Howard, K. Hartshorn

**1. Apologies:** I. Williams (Vice President), L. Stephens (Hon. Vice President), P. Smitham (Treasurer), J. Greaves, A. Wells, F. van Niekerk, J. Fisher

The Chairman particularly welcomed Karen Hartshorn, the new Director of Development at the College, and David Metcalfe, Master in charge of rugby.

**2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting:** 13th October 2016 - The Minutes were approved.

### **3. Matters Arising:**

- The Chairman reported that there was a plan for some OP Spring drinks to take place at the Sydney Arms in Sydney Street but we are still looking for someone to organise this as a volunteer was not forthcoming at the meeting..
- Karen Hartshorn suggested that the difficulties in attracting more females were not unique to Pangbourne, and that it was a common problem across many public schools, which would clearly take some time to rectify, but would eventually work. Anna Sterling commented that the dinner with Sir Steve Redgrave proposed for 2017 would undoubtedly be a big draw.
- It was mentioned that the next OP Leavers event would be on 10<sup>th</sup> June (*since moved to 20<sup>th</sup> May, in order to maximise attendance*)

### **4. Chairman's Report**

- Following the AGM in October I am delighted to welcome Richard Shuttleworth as our President and Mark Dumas as a Vice President. I also welcome Andy Wells officially to the Committee as well as David Metcalfe and James Greaves. David is a Master at Pangbourne so gives us an additional close link to the College.
- We are delighted to welcome Karen Hartshorn to this meeting who whilst playing a very important role for the College will also have overall responsibility for the OP Society and we look forward working with her and her team going forward. I have already had the pleasure of meeting with Karen and discussing some issues and believe that her experience and expertise will result in the OP Society being well supported and more dynamic going forward.
- As most of you are aware Caroline Kemp has been working with us on an ad hoc basis and this agreement terminates at the end of March and will not be extended. Caroline has done an extremely professional job for the OP Society. The now regular email Newsletters have been mainly compiled and distributed by her. With regard to the Mansion House event she created the invitations, circulated them and has coordinated all the applications and financials. We thank her for all her assistance and wish her well in her future career.
- Our first Centenary themed event looms and I am pleased to say that we have at least 425 people coming to the Mansion House which is very heartening. The plan is that this event will be self-financing and to this end we have had some generous contributions from OPs which has enabled us to cover our fixed costs (some £3,000) and offer a subsidised price to those OPs and current Pangbournians attending under the age of 25. I am very grateful for this support which has enabled us to price the event competitively and to make it as inclusive as possible which was the desire of the Lord Mayor. During the evening the

LM/HM or myself who will announce that in 2017 on Founders Day there will be a new OP prize instigated to be called the " Nigel Hollebone Centenary Prize. " This is being funded by a donation from Nigel's estate and is underwritten for 10 years by this bequest. Cherry Jenkins will be at MH as well as Nigel's son, Andrew and daughter in law Emma as guests of the OP Society. The next area of focus for OPs will be the OP weekend on the 8th and 9th October 2016 which will take place at the College and will be discussed further in the Agenda under Centenary update. Centenary merchandise is still being finalised and is likely to be limited and affordable. We still have not established any definitive OP merchandise for Ladies except for the Paravicini and some generic cufflinks are under discussion as the existing stock has been sold.

- Our current Editor has produced a paper on the OP Magazine which we will discuss later in this meeting but I would like to take this opportunity to thank him on behalf of us all for once again masterminding its production and we should be in absolutely no doubt that 2017 will most definitely be his final edition. So far no OP has put his head above the parapet to take on this responsibility so it is a serious concern and has been prior to my becoming Chairman. As most will be aware Robin also does a terrific job editing the various OP stories and putting them on the website as well as all the obituaries. The Centenary Launch Party is an opportunity for Robin to launch the Centenary Book of Pangbourne which he has written and am sure he will get OPs on the way out after a drink if not on the way in!
- Currently we have 3,623 OPs of which we have lost contact with 550 totally (far too many who left the College in recent years). We have the email details of 1,694 and the postal details only of 1,379. Our acquisition of email contact details in recent months has been disappointing as for close to 1400 potentially their only contact with the College is via the magazine. We have found that the email newsletter has done wonders in letting OPs know what is going on as a vast majority do not look at the website except when prompted by the email newsletter. We certainly need to up our game on the other social media such as Facebook and Linked in and perhaps Twitter! OP rugby for example has its own Facebook site but unless you are made a friend you will not have any idea what is going on with OP Rugby and they do not communicate at all with the OP Sports representative or Committee.
- Another area related to the OP database is our ability to provide a decent careers network for young OPs. This database is not operational and this needs urgent attention. I am very pleased that Andy Wells is focusing on this area and I know that David Nicholson is also keen to get involved. Whilst Pangbournians will be looking for work experience they also need to know that we are there to help when they are finishing up at University and looking to start their careers.
- You will recall that the OP Society has given their wholehearted backing to the focus of the new swimming pool complex as the project to be supported in the Centenary year. This project requires a total of around £4 million pounds and the College is about to go to planning. I hope that the members of OP Society will do all it can to assist in the fund raising for this important project for Pangbourne to put it on a level playing field with the competition. The Headmaster will provide more details.

The Chairmen read out a letter of appreciation from Caroline Kemp. The Committee passed an unanimous vote of thanks for her assistance over the years. He also particularly commended Larry Howard for his tireless work on the OP Facebook page.

## 5. Secretary to the Committee

The Secretary advised of the latest obituaries (full obituaries on the OP website):

**Sam Hosegood (37-41)** died in October, 2015. He was 92 and always remembered his days at the NCP with affection. His good friend Erik Bjorkstrand (52-55) writes:  
"Sam left Pangbourne in 1941. During the Second World War he served in the Merchant Navy both in home waters and in the Far East. He experienced the Murmansk convoys and on D-Day

he was on a ship which sailed from Tilbury at midnight loaded with ammunition and destined for the Normandy beaches. The vessel was beached at high tide in the afternoon after the landings and discharged onto the sand before refloating with the tide.

After the war Sam left the sea and gained a university place to study engineering. So began a distinguished career in the power generation industry. He specialised in nuclear power and contributed greatly both to the research into, and the practicalities of, the building of nuclear power stations. In this context he presented (scientific) papers and became a Chartered member of both the Institute of Mechanical Engineering and the Institute of Chemical Engineering.

**David Wiseman (69 -73)** died peacefully in Tunbridge Wells hospital with his loving family beside him following a short illness on 7 October, 2015. He was 59.

Danny Lee (69-74) his good friend, represented the OP Society at the funeral. He writes:

“David Wiseman was born in 1956 and was the second of four boys. I first met him at Pangbourne College in September, 1969 (Macquarie division). As new boys, we were finding it hard to come to terms with senior school and the College regime. It did not help that the College was in transition from a Nautical College and this conversion was not easy on either the students or staff. We quickly became allies and engineered many subtle strategies to get the best of both worlds from the College and real life. Most importantly, we established a friendship which would lead to a wonderful and enduring connection between our families over the next five decades.

He was diagnosed with Epithelioid hemangioendothelioma (EHE), a very rare form of vascular cancer in December, 2014. This form of cancer accounts for only a fraction of all cancers (1% ) and is little understood. He was a brave man who bore his illness and misfortune stoically. He passed away in Royal Tunbridge Wells hospital on the 7th October, 2015 tenderly cared for by his wife and two daughters. It was a sad end to the life of a creative, quintessential family man and loyal friend who had much more to achieve and give in his life. He was an example to us all and will be badly missed

**Tony Sissons (49-53)** died peacefully in Harrogate on November 7th, 2015, following a long battle with Parkinson’s Disease. He was 80 and leaves behind his beloved wife of 36 years Roberta Sissons (Bobbie), three siblings, six children and stepchildren and 10 grandchildren. Raised in North Yorkshire, he attended the Nautical College, Pangbourne, leaving in 1953. He then entered the Royal Navy as a young engineer officer. At the age of 20 he joined the management of the family business, Sissons Bros Paints. He then moved to Kuala Lumpur where he became Director of the Far East division of the company. Later he became director of marketing for International Paints in Muscat and Dubai for six years.

**Charles David Cobb (35-37)**, the renowned marine artist, died peacefully at his home near Lynton on 18th June, 2014, aged 93 as recently communicated to the OP Society.

**Peter Butterfield (46-49)** of Culmhead, Taunton, According to his daughter Julia Ridge, has “moved house and since passed away.” He was a Chartered Accountant. We have no further details.

**Cdr. Russell Johnson (46-50)** RN died in 2010 according to his daughter Tamsin Kidwell. He was a BA Cantab., a Commander in ‘L’ branch and was awarded an OBE in 1984. We have no other details.

**Michael MacDowel (46-49)** died in January, 2016.

**D.R. Ford (36-40)**, a Lt Cdr MBE, DSC, RN, died in mid-December, 2015, aged 92. A full page obituary in the *Guernsey Press* stated in part:

*“With the death of Lt. Commander Derek Ford, Guernsey has lost a man who fought with distinction during the Second World War, and who was involved in the development of Commodore Shipping in Guernsey. Described as a ‘thorough gentleman,’ he was greatly liked and admired by his business associates and many friends. Those who knew him best said that Derek was ‘compassionate and kind’ both in his service in the Royal Navy and in commercial life later – qualities which never left him.”*

**Stuart Le Blanc Smith (33-37)** died on 13th January, 2016. Born on 31st December, 1919, at the time of his death one of the oldest OPs. For much of his life he farmed in Norfolk. His daughter Krista Hanratty, writes:

*"My father regaled us with many tales from his Pangbourne days. Early morning runs before breakfast followed by a cold shower seem to have remained uppermost in his memory. I can't think why. At some point around 1934/5 he suffered from double pneumonia (some connection there, perhaps?) and he maintains that the school band played a solemn march on the parade ground as he navigated perilously close to the shore of eternity.*

*We have many photographs of him looking very pucker in his uniform. After Pangbourne he joined P & O, but that didn't last too long because of the outbreak of World War Two, when he transferred to the RN Reserves. Many more photographs. Whilst going through dusty trunks in his attic in recent weeks, the family unearthed his striped Pangbourne blazer in mint condition.*

*The sea ran through his veins as strongly as the red stuff. He was born and spent his early years in East Portlemouth, across the estuary from Salcombe. His first solo voyage was paddling a bath tub across the estuary – and back – aged 5. We have the photos to prove it. In more advanced years, sometime during his eighties, he even built an 8ft clinker pram dinghy with lug rig in his barn in Norfolk, steaming the wood himself and sourcing everything through his own initiative. He christened her Frolic and she made her maiden voyage on his pond. I still sail her out of St Anthony in Meneage on The Lizard, where I spend frequent holidays. She's a rotten sail, only pointing up to about 45°, but very pretty and in a stiff breeze is worth launching. So an ancient mariner has joined many more. I wish the College continued success."*

**Colin Felton (23-26).** In February, 2016, Colin's son Simon got in touch with the College and the OP Society to pass on news of his late father. In a message he wrote: "After my father left Pangbourne in 1926 and following a short career as a Purser with the Orient Company, he "disappeared" with the Army in India and you had no record of him at all.

*"Colin Mark Felton was born in Ealing in 1908 and attended the Nautical College, Pangbourne between 1923 and 1926. He became C.C.C. of College in December, 1925. He was an accomplished sportsman, playing rugby and cricket and being Captain of both Boxing and Fencing and winning championships in both. He represented the College in the Amateur Sabre Championships of England and at the Royal Tournament Olympia in 1926. He was an active member of the Debating, Dramatic, Orchestra, Meteorological and Geographical Societies.*

*On leaving Pangbourne he became an Assistant Purser with the Orient Company but by mid-1930 he had left the sea and joined the regular Army and the East Surrey Regiment. This may have been because he was found to be colour-blind and unable to continue in his chosen career. When later he played billiards he said that although he couldn't see the colours, the balls all seemed to be a different shape!*

*In 1931 he was posted to India and remained there serving with the Scottish Regiment, the Dorsetshire Regiment and finally the Duke of Wellington's Regiment. He was seconded and serving as a Sub-Conductor in the Indian Army Corps of Clerks in Rangoon when the Allied retreat from Burma began in 1942. When the airfield at Mytkiyana was bombed the refugees of all backgrounds and races, soldiers and civilians, had to walk out over the most northern passes between Burma and Assam in appalling monsoon conditions, very many dying on the way.*

*My father was picked up by the trackside but died soon after in a Mission Hospital in Gauhati of malaria and exhaustion. In addition to the regular War Medals he was awarded the North West Frontier Medal 1936-1937 and the Burma Star. Having no known grave, he is commemorated in the Taukkayan War Cemetery outside Rangoon. In 1939, in Rawalpindi, he married May Payn and had one son. They were subsequently evacuated to the U.K. on the requisitioned troopship s.s. Mauretania."*

**Lynn Connell (53 -55)** passed away on 10th February, 2016 after a long illness according to a Death Notice was in the New Zealand Herald on 15th February. In the 1990s and early 2000s Lynn was the OP Rep. in Auckland. A celebration to remember Lynn was held at Mt. Eden on 18th February. Nick Edwards, who replaced Lynn as OP Rep in Auckland, attended the event on behalf of the OP Society.

LCS writes: *“Lynn became a solicitor and worked in London as legal adviser for Ralli International. In 1972 he was married with two daughters and a newborn son. He attended the OP reunion in Auckland in 1992 and appears in the photo (below) on p15 in the 1993 magazine and is named as an expert on international law. His later life was ruined by ill health. He had had an operation for cancer of the throat and used a voice box. There was no doubt about his devotion to the College as he was visited Pangbourne every couple of years. We remained in contact despite his illness and last Christmas I had an email as usual to which I replied. I liked and admired Lynn tremendously.”*

## 6. Headmaster's Report

- Since my last Report, life has been busy at the College! From an OP perspective, the highlight must be the opportunity for the Marching Band to take part in the Lord Mayor's Show in mid-November. It was a foul day but that did not spoil the atmosphere and the students came back buzzing and feeling deservedly proud of their achievement. I am pleased that they will have another chance to impress the Lord Mayor later in the year when Lord Mountevans is Guest of Honour at Founders' Day on 9 July 2016.
- Intellectually, a notable highlight was that a Pangbourne student won the England & Wales Schools Writing Competition 2016. This is a national non-fiction writing competition for students aged 16 to 18. Young people from all over England and Wales submitted entries and Simone Greatorex was judged the winner! Her article, *Living with Dementia: A Carer's View*, was described by the judges as “a brave and poignant piece with an impressive quality of emotional honesty.” Simone's article can be read online at [www.youngprogramme.org/winning-paper](http://www.youngprogramme.org/winning-paper)
- In sport, we are having a good year. The girls had a very successful season of hockey – arguably the best yet for the club as a whole – with strong performances by the senior teams and the U14s, in particular; the latter group have also swept all before them in netball this term. On the river, the girls' quad has been unbeaten with three wins, including being the fastest women's crew at both Pangbourne and Burway Heads. Rory Harris was invited to attend the GB pre-Christmas sculling camp in Spain, on the basis of his performance in long-distance trials, and Ed Digby became the Year 11 500m Indoor Rowing Champion in December, finishing over 2.5 seconds ahead of his nearest rival with his time of 1min 24.7s. In riding, a team has qualified for the Royal Windsor Horse Show in May, beating over 40 other teams to win the 90cm class by more than five seconds – a huge margin. Josie Symons was crowned Intermediate National Champion in Showjumping at the NSEA Schools Championships. In rugby, Will Vaughan and James Costin-Pratt were selected for the Independent Schools RFC England U18 Lambs. So far they have represented the Lambs three times, on the first occasion of which Will Vaughan was declared Man of the Match.
- After a steady start to their season, the 1st XV have had a very good run in the NatWest Schools Cup U18 Vase competition, this term settling an old score with Churcher's College, 22-16, who triumphed in the annual fixture under lights in November, and beating Cokethorpe 20-13 to secure a place in the Quarter-Finals. The draw for the last eight was televised live and on Thursday, 11 February, the 1st XV travelled to Downside School, where they delivered a magisterial performance – some of the finest rugby I have seen from a Pangbourne side – to win 29-7. This is the furthest that the College has progressed in the competition since 2002 and the Semi-Final will be played against St Ambrose's College at Saracens' Allianz Park Stadium on Saturday, 27 February, at 1.00pm. Supporters will be welcome!
- Musically, a Brass Day on Sunday, 31 January, began quietly with a masterclass for eight students with James Fountain, Principal Trumpet of the Royal Philharmonic

Orchestra, and ended spectacularly with two concerts by The Army Corps of Music's Guards Brass Ensemble and The Enfield Citadel Band, the latter conducted by Mr Jonathan Corry, our Bandmaster. Solos were provided by Finley South-Klein, Bethan Smith and Sam Turner from the College, and the final item – an arrangement of Tchaikovsky's 1812 Overture – ended the day with a bang, literally, as fireworks were ignited in the Chapel. It was a memorable occasion and I am delighted to report that £1,335 was raised for The Salvation Army and The Royal British Legion – to which the morning's Chapel collection was added.

- Looking ahead, there are two further musical events which may be of interest to OPs:
- The Piano Festival 2016, 27/28 February. Fourteen College students will be among over 110 students aged 7-18 years old from around the South East taking part in The Piano Festival 2016 at the College on Saturday, 27 February (9.15am to 4.30pm), and Sunday, 28 February (1.55pm to 6pm). This year's adjudicators are Mr Victor Sangiorgio and Mrs Pamela Chilvers: both are very experienced musicians, adjudicators, ABRSM examiners, and well known in the piano world. The Piano Festival Reception will be in The Harding Communications Centre. Anyone is welcome to attend as a member of the audience.
- Celebrity Piano Recital. On Thursday, 31 March, at 7.30pm, Leslie Howard, one of Britain's finest, internationally-acclaimed pianists, is coming to give a recital in the Chapel. Annual re- engagements on five continents and a 130-CD discography attest to his popularity. This recital forms part of Pangbourne's Easter Piano Course, which invites promising young pianists from all over the world to study with leading pianists.  
He will be playing:  
Fifteen Variations and Fugue on an Original Theme in E flat major, Op 35 Eroica, Beethoven Suite From Holberg's Time, Op 40, Grieg  
Variations on a motif by J. S. Bach Weinen, Klagen, S180, Liszt  
Fantasy on themes from Mozart's Figaro and Don Giovanni, S697, Liszt  
Tickets cost £18, which includes wine and canapés in the interval, and can be obtained from [wegottickets.com/event/338352](http://wegottickets.com/event/338352)
- On the charitable front, during the last three years we have established a link with the Nabugabo Community Learning Centre (NCLC) in Uganda. Our aim is that this link should be long-term and later this year 31 Sixth Form students will travel to NCLC for three weeks, where they will be completing five projects, including construction of a house and a new latrine block. On Saturday, 6 February, a Charity Dinner was organised by Mr Colin Hearn, the RSM, and the students to raise funds to purchase the materials needed for the projects. Sir Ranulph Fiennes, arguably the world's greatest living explorer, was the guest speaker and spoke powerfully about some of his exploits. Throughout the evening, various fundraising games, raffles and auctions were held which, when added together, raised an incredible £19,357 for Nabugabo.
- In drama, this year's College production, an adaptation of John Buchan's classic adventure, *The 39 Steps*, was a hit! With a cast and crew drawn from Form 4 and above, it was polished and witty, drawing hoots of laughter from members of the audience. The staging was slick, making effective use of a small selection of props, and the cast were convincing as the story moved from London to the Highlands and back again.
- Moving to more strategic matters, after many weeks of negotiation, I am pleased to report that the Eastern Planning Committee of West Berkshire Council have given approval for the installation of lights on the Jubilee Pitch, or Astroturf. Work will begin soon to install the masts and lights. Some planting will need to be completed before we are allowed to switch them on, and we are not allowed to disturb the flight path of bats between May and August inclusive (!), but we can look forward to being able to see what is happening on the pitch throughout the hockey season in future – and the boarders will be able to use the facility in the evening.

Additionally, the Governors have given approval to take the swimming pool project to planning application stage. The design is taking shape and I hope to be able to share this with parents, alumni and others in the Pangbourne community later in the academic year.

- Karen Hartshorn, our new Director of Development, has now taken up her post as Head of the new External Relations Department at the College. She has made a strong start and is looking forward to getting to know OPs in the weeks and months ahead. She will be attending meetings of the OP Society Committee. At the end of March we will, sadly, be bidding Caroline Kemp “Farewell” after six years running the Alumni Office with quiet efficiency. The search for her replacement and for a Database Assistant, both of whom will be based at the College, is currently underway.
- The Centenary Launch Party at Mansion House promises to be a special occasion, and I am sure I am not alone in wanting to see Robin Knight’s book! A decent number of OPs and Honorary OPs from the College will be attending and we look forward to meeting many others then.

## **7. Hon. Treasurer’s Report**

- The Secretary reported on the Hon. Treasurer’s behalf that that the funds in the OP Account stood at **£47,654** as at 31st February.

## **8. Social Committee Report**

- There were no matters not covered by the Centenary programme

## **9. Sport Committee Report**

- There was considerable discussion about potential sporting fixtures for the 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> October. Having discussed matters with Terry Walden, it appeared that the 1<sup>st</sup> XV would be committed elsewhere, making it unlikely that there could be a College vs OP match. Charlie Parry suggested that it might be possible to have an OP vs OP match, as well as racquets or tennis.
- Karen Hartshorn pointed out that universities would have resumed by this point, making it likely that recent OPs might have problems attending.
- David Metcalfe suggested that an OP match after Divisions on Sunday might be a possibility.

## **10. Centenary Programme**

- **Mansion House event Friday 11th March 2016**  
The Chairman reported that this was fully subscribed.
- **OP weekend 8/9th October 2016**  
Karen Hartshorn table a detailed programme of planned events (Annex A)
- **100 Years exhibition**  
Karen Hartshorn drew attention to the photographic exhibition, which had been organised by Alex Garnier.
- **OP Centenary Dinner at the College, Friday 21 April 2017**  
Anna Sterling reported that Sir Steve Redgrave had agreed to be the guest of honour at this event, and that it was proposed to hold the dinner in Drake Hall. The Chairman thanked her for her considerable efforts in arranging this.

- **Centenary Service at Pangbourne - Planned for 4th May 2017**  
The Chairman reported that further details would be circulated in due course
- **Australasian Centenary Celebrations 24/26 February 2017**  
It was noted that this event was well subscribed, with some 46 participants currently committed to attend.
- **Hong Kong event**  
The Chairman reported that Michael Duck had offered an event in Hong Kong, potentially on the 1<sup>st</sup> March 2017
- Robin Knight reported that Edward Bence was arranging a West Country reunion at the Bury Head hotel in Spring 2017

## 11. Communication: Website and Magazine Report

- Magazine - Robin Knight reported that there had been an inexplicable 30% drop in the numbers of magazines distributed in the UK.
- It was noted that Caroline Kemp would send out the email newsletter later on in the week.
- The Chairman reported that it was proposed to have a detailed discussion of the website in May

## 12. Honorary OPs:

- The Headmaster reported that there was a considerable backlog of those who merited the status of Honorary OPs, and that there were many who were aggrieved that Andy Temple had been granted the status, whereas others with a similar length of service had not. The committee discussed the problem, and felt that, whilst it should not be bestowed automatically, considered that it would be a reasonable expectation after ten year's service, subject to ratification by the OP committee
- There was a view expressed that becoming an Honorary OP should not be used as a long-service medal by the College. However there was overwhelming support for the HM from those present and carried that the below list of people be notified that they had been appointed Honorary OPs with immediate effect. The HM made the point that we were one family and that it would help strengthen the bond between the OP Community and the College.
- Wendy Saddington - Master of Harbinger for 20 years
- Gail Webb - Matron of Hesperus for 19 years
- Robert Pickett - Head of Chemistry and a 6th Form Tutor, in his 17th year at the College
- James Bamforth - Head of Sixth Form and formerly Housemaster of Macquarie for 9 years, now in his 15th year at the College.
- Susan Barton - Head of English as an additional language, now in her 16th year at the College

## 13. War Memorials -

- Joint Training Ships Memorial, National Memorial Arboretum  
It was reported that the rededication would probably take place on Saturday 3rd September 2016, and that the Society would be contributing their share which is estimated to be around £250 for these works. Richard Shuttleworth is co-ordinating this project with David Parsons.
- It was reported that Colin Felton's (1923-1926) name was to be added to the College memorial. Phillip Plato, a former CCCC had expressed concern in writing about the condition of the Memorial exhibited in the Falklands Chapel for those 177 OPs who fell in the Second World War, which will rise to 178 with the

addition of Colin Felton. He expressed a willingness to donate £1,000 for any costs associated with either relocating, restoring or cleaning it.

#### **14. Any Other Business**

- It was reported that Harry Sykes's granddaughter had visited the college, and had been able to view the Harry Sykes room.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 1930.

#### **Committee Meeting Dates for 2016**

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2016 – Committee Meeting at the Naval Club**  
**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2016 – Committee Meeting and AGM at the College**