

Dear Member,

It is now four months since you elected us as your steering executive committee and we feel that you would like to know what we have done on your behalf.

We have five sub-committees working under the executive committee with a member from the executive committee on each of the sub-committees.

These five sub-committees cover:

1. Conservation
2. Dee Estuary Scheme
3. Litter
4. Publicity
5. The Historical Aspect

The Conservation Sub-committee is concerned with the development of Parkgate as a conservation area. They are working very closely with Cheshire County Council on this project, and it is indicative of our position that Cheshire has asked for our opinions and is willing to consider them. This week, a representative from Cheshire County Council is coming to discuss the conservation project with the executive committee. In September, we are going to hold a members meeting when these views will be explained to members and you will have an opportunity of voicing your comments. There will also be a film on conservation. The date of this meeting will be announced later.

The Dee Estuary Committee had a members meeting on 17th April when Mr. John Noble spoke to us about the effect of a Dee Crossing on Parkgate. It was expressed that a Gayton Greenfield crossing would not be acceptable for the residents of Parkgate and a letter stating this view was sent to all bodies concerned in any way with the Dee Crossing.

The Litter Committee made itself known on April 23rd by organising the cleaning up of the foreshore of Parkgate. Any member who could not be there had adequate opportunity to read of our exploits via the local press and also the June copies of the Deesider and Liverpool Illustrated News. We are still working with the council on the litter problem and hope shortly bring out a report on our findings and suggestions for a design for permanent litter bins along the promenade.

The Publicity Committee works closely with and helps other committees when publicity is needed for a Particular project. Their activity is less spectacular but 'behind the scenes' a very valuable contribution to the Society.

The Historical Committee has been hard at work this month collecting material for a display we are having at the end of the month (see end of news letter). Also they are preparing to write a booklet on Parkgate stressing the Historical aspect. This will not come into fruition until next year because of the amount of work involved, but should be a 'best seller' when it is published.

Old Parkgate

30th July, 5.0 p.m. Members Only

1st and 2nd August, 11.0 a.m. – 7.0p.m.  
Open to the general public

We are holding a display; subject - Old Parkgate consisting of maps, photos, scenes, etc., to be held in and by kind permission of the Boathouse Restaurant. This promises to be a very interesting opportunity to see how Parkgate has retained so much of its historical past, and will also be a timely reminder to us, as we see the old pictures of our responsibility to look after this still lovely part of the Wirral coast line.

On Sunday 30th July, there will be a members only preview 5.0 p.m. onwards. We will have the special privilege of seeing original documents, letters, maps, etc. from the archives of the Records Office at Chester who are very kindly lending them for the members only meeting. Photostats of these irreplaceable documents will be available for the two public days which are the 1st and 2nd August when the times of opening will be 11.0 a.m. until 7.0 p.m.

One point has come to our notice and that is that some members may wish to be accompanied to meetings or have help with transport. Please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Blok at 336-3732, Mrs. Moore at 336-2882 or Mrs. Wall-Jones at 336-2420 and we will gladly help.

Finally, I have enclosed a membership form as I am sure we all know people who have the best intentions but who have not quite managed to get round to joining our Society. These forms, together with the subscriptions should be sent to Mrs. Moore, The Slipway, Manorial Road, Parkgate.

If you have any comments or contributions for future editions of this news letter, please contact The Hon. Secretary,

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