

FORCEDA

Federation of Residents of Christchurch and East Dorset Associations

Minutes of the inaugural meeting on **Wednesday 29th September at 7.30pm**

1. **Present:** Andy Glaser (Friars Cliff); Debbie Stephens (SAMRA); Mike Collard (SAMRA); John Pendrill (West Christchurch); Jim Biggin (West Christchurch); Dick Heaslip (West Parley)
2. **In attendance:** Margaret Phipps (Hurn Parish Council)
3. **Apologies:** John White (Christchurch Citizens); Robin Ede (Highcliffe);
4. **Adoption of Constitution:** the constitution was adopted unanimously
5. **Acceptance of money transferred from JCCRA:** the previous funds of the JCCRA amounting to £157.23 were accepted as a gift to FORCEDA subject to one outstanding invoice for £28.80 leaving a balance available of £128.43
6. **Appointment of Officers:**
 - 6.1. Chairman: John Pendrill of West Christchurch
 - 6.2. Secretary: Jim Biggin of West Christchurch
 - 6.3. Treasurer: Debbie Stephens of SAMRA
7. **Appointment of Delegates:**
 - 7.1. Delegate to Bournemouth International Airport: John Pendrill (West Christchurch) for the December meeting and Dick Heaslip (West Parley) thereafter. These changes to be notified to the airport by the secretary
 - 7.2. Delegate to Druitt Hall and Gardens Redevelopment: John White (Christchurch Citizens)
 - 7.3. Delegate to Christchurch Community Partnership: Malcolm Burton-Smith (SAMRA) – subject to confirmation
8. **Airport Transport Forum:** it was agreed that FORCEDA should apply to be represented on the committee
9. **Acceptance of minutes of JCCRA meeting of 14th September 2010:** the minutes were accepted unanimously by ex-JCCRA members present
10. **Registration of FORCEDA:** the secretary will register FORCEDA with CBC, EDDC and DCC
11. **Publicity for the new organisation:** it was agreed that the secretary will contact: Bournemouth Echo; New Milton Advertiser; Stour and Avon Magazine; Burton Parish Council; Ferndown Town Council; Hurn Parish Council
12. **Joint working CBC-EDDC – the current situation:**
 - 12.1. The new CEO of the joint administration will be David McIntosh of EDDC who formally takes over from 1st January 2011
 - 12.2. In the new joint structure Chief Officers have been reduced from 15 to 9 creating an annual saving of £300,000

- 12.3. The joint management of Revenues and Benefits has merged (to include North Dorset) under the original CBC manager (3 managers having been reduced to 1). A grant from Central Government of £450,000 has effectively paid for all the set-up costs. Performance standards during and immediately following the merger have been maintained.
- 12.4. More home-working using IT links is being actively explored
- 12.5. The merging of county-wide waste management facilities is being managed by Nigel Davies of CBC. CBC and EDDC will remain separate entities for budgeting and council tax purposes
13. **Meeting with new CEO and Officers:** the secretary will make initial contact
14. **Extraordinary Council Meeting of 29th September:** the content and suitability of the feed-back form was discussed and unanimously agreed to be inadequate; it was resolved that the secretary would raise this issue with the current CEO of both CBC and EDDC (*NB subsequent to the meeting it was discovered that other, more suitable forms, could be available and action was suspended pending the outcome of further investigation by Dick Heaslip of West Parley*)
15. **Housing Developments – West Parley and Roeshot Hill:** it was resolved that individual members should pursue green belt issues whilst FORCEDA should be used on cross-borough issues such as transport infrastructure
16. **Timing of future meetings:** the second Tuesday of December, March, June and September
17. **Keep Corfe Mullen Green and Keep Wimborne Green:** it was agreed that these organisations would be allowed to join FORCEDA without the payment of a joining fee
18. **Next Meeting:** December 14th at Ferndown Town Council Offices at 7.30pm

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