

JUMPERS AND ST CATHERINE'S HILL RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

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In these minutes: BBC= Bournemouth Borough Council; CBC=Christchurch Borough Council; DCC=Dorset County Council; DPCC=Dorset Police and Crime Commissioner; DWP=Dorset Waste Partnership; FOSCH=Friends of St Catherine's Hill; PBC=Poole Borough Council; PC=Parish Council; RA=Residents Association; SSSI=Site of Special Scientific Interest (Town Common and St Catherine's Hill for example)

- 1. **Present**: Chairman Jim Biggin; David Barnett; Maureen Biggin; Sue Fotheringham; Malcolm Green; Liz Oliver
- 2. Apologies for absence: Chris Boatman; John Cooper;
- 3. Minutes of last meeting: the minutes of the meeting of November 2017 were confirmed
- **4. Accounts**: David Barnett reported excess expenditure over income of £716.87 and assets of £7,476.17.
- **5. Membership**: Sue Fotheringham confirmed that £223 of subscriptions were received in November bringing us up to £1,427 for the year to date. She described the remarkable success of the "sorry we missed you" cards and it was agreed that we would use them again in 2018.
- **6. Community Matters**: Jim Biggin reported that the e-mail newsletter was now going to 1,630 recipients.
- 7. Local Authority Reorganization: the committee discussed recent developments. Jim Biggin reported on: the meeting with David McIntosh; the increased involvement of local business; the Face Book page Yes, Christchurch; the second BBC-CBC-PBC joint committee meeting which he had attended (his notes of which are on the website). Key development to emerge from that was the freezing or possible reduction of Council Tax in Christchurch for a period of 4 to 7 years
- 8. The Referendum: Sue Fotheringham confirmed that the paper based Referendum Special newsletters had been delivered and Jim Biggin confirmed that the Referendum Special e-newsletter had been sent. The committee discussed the illegal leaflets and posters that had appeared (no named publisher, no named printer) and decided to report these matters to the Secretary of State once the referendum result is known.
- **9. Developments at the Airport:** the sale of the airport to The Rigby Group was discussed. It was decided to write a welcoming letter to them.
- **10. Christchurch Citizens:** the committee took a break from serious business to discuss the minutes of the Christchurch Citizens meeting of 4th December 2017 in which they accused us of not issuing accounts. It was decided not to inform them that our accounts are posted to our website every month or to ask them to supply us with the correct figures associated with Local Government reorganisation where they claimed we were using incorrect ones. The fact that they had called into question the integrity of CBC CEO David McIntosh was deplored.

- **11. Constitution:** the committee discussed: our objectives; the definition of a member; funding; the executive committee. Discussion of a draft should now be possible at the next meeting
- **12. Termination of Meeting**: the meeting closed at 9.15pm. Next meeting Wednesday 3rd January 2018