

# WEST CHRISTCHURCH RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

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Committee Meeting Minutes

Hall on the Hill: 6<sup>th</sup> May 2015 at 7.30 pm

In these minutes: ACRA=Affiliation of Christchurch Residents Associations; ARC=Amphibian and Reptile Conservation (previously known as HCT=Herpetological Conservation Trust); CBC=Christchurch Borough Council; CED=Christchurch and East Dorset; CQC=Care Quality Commission; DCC=Dorset County Council; DPCC=Dorset Police and Crime Commissioner; DWP=Dorset Waste Partnership; EDDC=East Dorset District Council; FOSCH=Friends of St Catherine's Hill; HENRA=Hengistbury Head RA; NE=Natural England; PC=Parish Council; RA=Residents Association; SBW=Sembcorp Bournemouth Water; SSSI=Site of Special Scientific Interest (Town Common and St Catherine's Hill for example); TPO=Tree Preservation Order; WCRA=West Christchurch RA; WW=Wessex Water

1. **Present:** Chairman Jim Biggin; David Barnett; Maureen Biggin; Sue Fotheringham; Malcolm Green; Chris Gordon; Steve Roberts;
2. **Apologies for absence:** none
3. **Minutes of last meeting:** The minutes of April 2015 were approved
4. **Resignation of Alan Parker:** the two letters from Alan Parker were discussed. His resignation was noted and *it was unanimously decided* that no reply to either was required
5. **Treasurer's Report:** David Barnett reported that to date expenditure exceeded income by £392.29 whilst assets stood at £7227.59. He also reported that Teacher's Building Society had reduced their interest payable on deposits
6. **Membership:** Maureen Biggin reported that: Bosley Way; Bronte Avenue; Dreswick Close; Fambard Avenue (North); Hestan Close; Huntingdon Gardens; Hurn Road; Katterns Close; Rydal Close; Surrey Close; and Walcott Avenue (North) had all been collected.
7. **Collectors:** Maureen Biggin reported that three collectors had left unexpectedly. The roads affected were shared between Maureen Biggin; Jim Biggin; Sue Fotheringham and Chris Gordon leaving only the Maundevilles unallocated
8. **ACRA:** David Barnett reported that the meeting with CBC Executive had taken place and full notes have been posted to the website. The DWP situation was discussed and it was agreed that we need to keep a watch for future developments
9. **Hall on the Hill:** Malcolm Green indicated there were no new developments
10. **Christchurch Hospital:** nothing to report
11. **Dorset Health Care:** Sue Fotheringham reported some problems, particularly as related to dementia sufferers. She will keep us advised of any developments
12. **Planning Issues:** the proposed **Meteor Park** redevelopment and the **Beagle-Morrison** appeals have both been accepted by Bristol and planning permission granted. In addition to CBC being charged expenses it was noted that by going against CBC Officer's recommendations in the way they did CBC Councillors on the Planning Committee had created a loss of business rates revenue and had potentially damaged CBC's reputation as a suitable place to set up a business. It was noted that the **Gun Club** application had been approved by CBC. Chris Gordon was thanked for representing us at the hearing.

- 13. St Catherine's Hill Arson:** Chris Gordon outlined a debriefing meeting scheduled to take place later this month at which the fire service, CBC, and others will review this major incident. It is likely that: the use of appropriately annotated maps; better disseminated information on access routes and issues; the system of on-site two way communication; and access to the Gun Club will all be discussed. The offering of a reward would probably not be helpful at the moment and *it was agreed* to leave that topic in abeyance
- 14. New School at Marsh Lane:** Steve Roberts reported there have been no new developments since our last meeting with DCC. The traffic counters have been put in place in roads close to the chosen site.
- 15. April Meeting:** another good turnout was noted and Steve Roberts was thanked both for an excellent presentation that many had spoken highly of and for waiving his usual presenter's fee
- 16. October Meeting:** noted that the Airport have agreed to give a presentation
- 17. June Management Meeting:** it was decided to cancel this meeting because of holidays
- 18. Defibrillators:** it was agreed that Chris Gordon would include us in an investigation he was undertaking for FOSCH into the potential supply of publically available defibrillators
- 19.** The meeting closed at 9.00 pm. Next formal committee meeting is on **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2015 at 7.30pm**, at the Hall on the Hill