

JUMPERS AND ST CATHERINE'S HILL RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

<u>www.wcresidents.co.uk</u> Committee Meeting Minutes St Catherine's Hill: 6th September 2017 at 7.30 pm

In these minutes: BCC= 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; John Cooper; Sue Fotheringham;
- 2. Apologies for absence: Malcolm Green;
- **3.** Minutes of last meeting: the minutes of the meeting of 5th July 2017 were confirmed, the planned August meeting having been cancelled
- 4. Accounts: David Barnett reported excess expenditure over income of £1,019.33 and assets of £7,173.71. He analysed the effect of the forced change of name, the registration of the new name, and the application to the Intellectual Property Office to register the new logos. This additional expenditure of nearly £1,000 was considered an inevitable consequence of our response to the attempt to close us down and significantly less than the cost of any other course of action. Following input from our members and collectors, the Committee considered that the Association had benefited from a lot of good will and the image projected by the new logos.
- 5. Membership: Sue Fotheringham confirmed that the number of collectors remained adequate to the task and that all category A and B areas were covered as well as most of category C and D areas. Cash flow had been delayed by the hiatus caused by the change of name and to some extent by the weather. She remained confident of a good overall result by year end.
- 6. HSBC and Teachers BS: Jim Biggin confirmed that account names had now been changed
- 7. Autumn Public Meeting: the committee decided to organise a Public Meeting in October and to ask DCC to give a presentation on the development of the B3073
- 8. Autumn non-E-mail Newsletter: the committee decided to produce a newsletter for distribution in early October. It was decided that committee members would be primarily responsible for distributing the newsletters as the good will of our team of distributors had already been taxed to some extent.
- **9.** Hall on the Hill: Maureen Biggin outlined the problems associated with the Marlow Drive car park. The committee decided to write to the Landlord's Agent to request remedial action and to put them on notice of the dangerous state of the car park.
- **10.** Friends of St Catherine's Hill: Sue Fotheringham reported a great deal of activity associated with the forthcoming History Day. The committee agreed to give advance apologies to residents for any local disruption caused by the event.
- **11.** No Cold Calling Zones: in a written report Malcolm Green recommended that this idea would not be a practical proposition and the committee endorsed that view

- 12. Local Authority Reorganization: the committee discussed the recent developments. The decision by CBC Councillors to participate in the joint BBC-CBC-PBC committee meetings was welcomed. Their suggestion to BBC and PBC that Council Tax should be harmonised from outset was regarded as wholly impractical. Their decision to invoke *the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007* to explore the possibility of Christchurch having a Town Council within the new Unitary Authority was noted. Jim Biggin reported that he was hoping to meet with CBC officer Richard Jones to gain a better understanding of this.
- **13. Committee Membership 2018-19**: based upon the assumption that the new Unitary Authority will proceed and will be created in the period 2018-19 the committee discussed the potential impact upon our operations
- 14. Termination of Meeting: the meeting closed at 9.15pm. Next meeting Wednesday 4th October 2017