



JUMPERS AND ST CATHERINE'S HILL RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

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Committee Meeting Minutes

St Catherine's Hill: 4th April 2018 at 7.30 pm

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; Maureen Biggin; Sue Fotheringham; Malcolm Green; Liz Oliver
2. **Minutes of last meeting:** the minutes of the meeting of March 2018 were confirmed
3. **Accounts 2018:** a small amount of expenditure had been required to renew the website licence. Assets stood at £7,647.72
4. **Subscriptions 2018:** it was agreed that a subscription rate of £1 per household would be recommended to members
5. **Membership:** Sue Fotheringham confirmed that the Spring Newsletter for non-e-mail members together with the Supplement on Local Authority Reorganisation have been distributed. She has also completed her preparations for 2018 collections
6. **Local Authority Reorganization:** the committee discussed recent developments.
 - 6.1. Jim Biggin reported on the 13th March Extraordinary Council Meeting of CBC at which it rejected its own position statement (see minute 8.2 of our March 2018 committee meeting) and instead opted to revisit the QC to once again explore the possibility of requesting a Judicial Review. The subsequent meeting was attended by CBC Council Leader, Deputy Leader and four officers including David McIntosh and Ian Milner. The local MP was also in attendance. After the meeting the Council Leader reported that the QC had reaffirmed her advice that CBC has no grounds on which to seek a Judicial Review. Her written judgement is not yet to hand.
 - 6.2. Jim Biggin reported on the Bournemouth-Christchurch-Poole Joint Committee of 20th March (notes of which are on our website). The most significant points were: the reaffirmation that any resident receiving care from DCC would not have to reapply to the new council but rather would transfer seamlessly; the initial estimate of what providing services to Christchurch costs DCC had shown a funding gap of around £1 million per year; the 16th April meeting should receive key papers on disaggregation and council tax harmonisation. It was noted that Councillor David Jones (Christchurch representing DCC) had resigned from the Joint Committee. This development was not considered detrimental to our members.
 - 6.3. The Structural Change Order was laid before Parliament on 29th March. It can be read on the Future Dorset website <https://futuredorset.co.uk/news/>
7. **Hall on the Hill:** it was noted that planned resurfacing of the car park scheduled to commence by 1st April 2018 had not yet started

- 8. Friends of St Catherine's Hill:** Sue Fotheringham confirmed that she had agreed to join the Friends Management Committee. She was asked to explore the possibility of one of their members joining our committee. The special monument by the trigpoint on the Hill has not weathered well and the Friends are considering what can be done.
- 9. Spring Meeting:** Malcolm Green has distributed the posters
- 10. Assisting the Webmaster, Facebook and Twitter:** after some discussion Sue Fotheringham agreed to consider taking on this role and to discuss matters with webmaster Eileen Lancaster
- 11. CBC WW1 Event:** following Malcolm Green's report it was agreed that we would publicise this event
- 12. National Business Register:** our registered name is up for annual renewal at a cost of £96. It was agreed that we would renew our registration
- 13. Use of Hall on the Hill:** it was decided that we will revert to using the Hall on the Hill for our monthly management meetings
- 14. Termination of Meeting:** the meeting closed at 8.35pm. Next meeting Wednesday 2nd May 2018