

WEST CHRISTCHURCH RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

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Committee Meeting Minutes

The Hall on the Hill: 6th June 2012 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; DCC=Dorset County Council; DWP=Dorset Waste Partnership; EDDC=East Dorset District Council; FOSCH=Friends of St Catherine's Hill; 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; Maureen Biggin; Chris Gordon; Roger Hamilton; Eileen Lancaster; John Pendrill;
2. **Apologies for absence:** Janet Robson;
3. **Minutes of last meeting:** The minutes of 2nd May 2012 were approved.
4. **Treasurer's Report:** John Pendrill reported an excess of expenditure over income of £575.81. 2012 member's contributions had continued to arrive and now amounted to £248. Cash at bank is £5,668.51 (£4,000 on deposit at Teachers BS)
5. **Collection of Membership Subscriptions:** Maureen Biggin reported a problem with one collector. Jim Biggin had taken over and completed the shortfall. Subscriptions received in May were for Conifer Close; Darwin Avenue; Dukesfield; Elm Avenue; Katterns Close; Normanton Close; River Way (Central); Squirrel Close; Stour Way (East).
6. **Delegate to ACRA:** the quarterly meeting is next week.
7. **FOSCH:** nothing to report.
8. **The Hall on the Hill:** Eileen Lancaster reported progress on the new chairs; new equipment in the kitchen; the possible introduction of sun blinds into the conservatory.
9. **St Catherine's Hill Management Plan:** Jim Biggin confirmed that we had visited Council Offices and conducted our own review of the responses to the Plan. As a result the number of responses now stood at 197 rather than 180. Our analysis of those responses, broken down by geographical area, showed how different the views of people who live on or next to the hill are from other respondents. The full analysis has been posted on the website www.wcresidents.co.uk.
10. **Grazing Cattle on St Catherine's Hill:** the responses to the Plan showed this to be the most contentious area and this would be discussed at a meeting of interested parties next week
11. **Planning Issues:** following a discussion of the latest situation as we understand it, *it was resolved that* Roger Hamilton would write to the bus companies about the new fence at [151 The Grove](#).
12. **One-way System at Clarendon Road:** no developments
13. **Christchurch Hospital Development:** the newsletter giving details of proposed changes had eventually arrived with us (after the consultation period had closed!) and been posted to the website. We suspect we may now be on the circulation list.
14. **Safety Considerations at Wilverley Road:** no new developments

- 15. ACRA Meeting with CBC:** Jim Biggin and John Pendrill outlined the substance of these discussions. A detailed note has been posted to the website www.wcresidents.co.uk
- 16. Redesign of Website:** our current website has been in operation for 15 months and continues to be popular. However, as the scope of content has increased it has become more difficult to navigate the site. Eileen Lancaster is working on a new design that we hope to introduce next July
- 17. Public Meeting Thursday 25th October:** after some discussion of possible speakers *it was resolved that* we would invite Trelawney Dampney Managing Director of Eco Sustainable Solutions at Hurn to address the meeting as this would coincide with the new waste collection systems coming into effect in Christchurch. A second spot for CBC to cover anything of particular urgency would be considered closer to the time.
- 18. August Meeting:** it was resolved that we would only meet in August if there was a pressing need
- 19.** The meeting closed at 9.00pm. Next formal committee meeting is on **Wednesday 4th July 2012 at 7.30pm**, at the Hall on the Hill