

# WEST CHRISTCHURCH RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

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Committee Meeting Minutes

Hall on the Hill: 5<sup>th</sup> November 2014 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; 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;
- 2. Apologies for absence:** Chris Gordon; Steve Roberts;
- 3. Minutes of last meeting:** The minutes of October 2014 were approved
- 4. Treasurer's Report:** David Barnett reported that the current account stands at £1046.70 and overall funds at £7945.56. The 2014 operating surplus to date stands at £374.17.
- 5. Membership:** It is believed that overall membership will be down on last year. Another collector has resigned making 2 so far this year. Subs have been collected during October for: Blythe Close; Canberra Road; Darwin Avenue; Dukesfield; Fairmile; Foreland Close; Glendale Close; Hillside Drive (West); Hurn Road (West); Lynton Crescent; Marsh Lane; Normanton Avenue; Oak Avenue; Old Barn Road & Lane; Orford Close; Perth Close; River Way Central and South; Sandy Lane; St Catherine's Hill Lane; The Maundevilles; Walcott Avenue
- 6. ACRA:** David Barnett reported that ACRA representatives were scheduled to meet with CBC Executive and also DCC Cllr Robert Gould. Jim Biggin confirmed that these meeting had taken place and notes would be posted to the website
- 7. Hall on the Hill:** no major developments
- 8. Christchurch Hospital:** noted that progress reports had recommenced and that after a long period of apparent inactivity things were once again happening
- 9. Navitus Bay:** Jim Biggin reported that Cllr Margaret Phipps would speak at the hearings on behalf of ACRA
- 10. Planning Issues:** Malcolm Green reported a quiet period with the results of a number of interesting appeals awaited
- 11. St Catherine's Hill Management and FOSH:** no report.
- 12. October Management Meeting:** a very well attended meeting. Many compliments had been received from residents both on the evening and in the days following. The news about land behind Marsh Lane now being the only site under negotiation for building a school was greeted with mixed feelings. The proposed improvements to A338 and B3073 were not new. The lack of any initiative to improve Hurn Road-Fairmile Road was not well received
- 13. New School at Marsh Lane:** the potential conflict between those wanting the school for their children and local residents who would object to the disruption of their

neighbourhood was discussed. It was decided that we should await (a) first the actual purchase of the land and (b) second the publication of detailed plans, before we took any action as an organisation

- 14. Buses X1 and X2:** the discoveries made by Councillor Phipps were noted
- 15. Antisocial Behaviour Act:** Jim Biggin outlined what CBC had told ACRA about the working of this legislation and its potential impact upon: the gun club; people running businesses from home; the fish and chip shop; and so on; were discussed. *It was resolved that* whilst we could assist residents to understand the process of making a complaint it is not our job to pass comment on the actual merit of the complaint
- 16. October 2015 Meeting:** it was agreed that we would aim for a date closer to the middle of the month than had been the case in previous years
- 17. Collectors Brochure:** Jim Biggin agreed to draft a brochure or leaflet that collectors could use when dealing with new residents
- 18.** The meeting closed at 9.00 pm. Next formal committee meeting is on **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2014 at 7.30pm**, at the Hall on the Hill