

WIMBORNE & COLEHILL HOME WATCH
Committee Meeting on Wednesday 14th October 2015 at 7.00 p.m
in the Allendale Café

1 Apologies for absence:

Joan Taylor, Henry Bartlett, John Burden, John Warren.

Present:

Graham Mallett (GM) Keith Baker (KB) John Shave (JS) Joy Ashmore (JA).

2 Minutes of January Meeting: JS proposed they be accepted, seconded by KB.

Matters Arising:

GM advised that Verwood & 3X Watch has closed due to lack of volunteers. Town/Parish Boundary changes took effect in May, so Stapehill West is now Colehill Hayes. Other changes along the boundary between Wimborne & Colehill wont affect our existing areas, which are arranged more by location of each Area Coordinator rather than fixed geographic area.

3 Chairman's update.

Treasurer's post. Due to the resignation of Anthony Dalton, the Chairman proposed that K. Baker be nominated to fill the post of Treasurer, seconded by JS.

Constitution: GM to check and amend the constitution which has not been updated for some time, for review at next meeting then ratification at the AGM.

Membership update: GM is going to assess the present Wimborne areas and re-organise into smaller areas as Henry is retiring in January. West St has a new Contact. Greenclose Lane & St Johns Hill are now part of C1.

Subscriptions for 2016 onwards: GM suggested that these should be £2 for 4 years ('bogof') as we should have sufficient funds for that period and still have up to £1000 left at the end. Accepted by KB, seconded by JS.

Dorset Alert. GM stated that he had tried, with the help of Elaine Ryan and Dorset Alert support staff, to resolve the problems some members were having in linking their registration to WCHW, but it was difficult to pin down exactly when the problem occurs. Another plea will be put in the next **Update** for people to link to WCHW, and GM will investigate any further reports of problems.

4 ADW update :

JS advised that there had been some reorganisation to local policing - Sgt Tim Travers now has Wimborne & Colehill, C/Mullen, Fe Centre, Fe/Parley Sgt Nick Lee has Verwood & 3X, Stour, St.Leonards.

Helen Brittain is on leave.

Elaine Ryan is now Volunteers Team Manager for the Volunteers Project.

5 Police update including PACT & SNT priorities, CSW and recent crime update: CSW is not operating currently. The SID device has not been used lately – it is faulty – awaiting another.

Due to the fact that there was no police presence at the Meeting it was not possible to get a current up-date, however JS stated that there were no reports of a rise in criminal activity in the area. There was a report of further shoplifting from Superdrug in the Square. Anthony Oliver had raised traffic issues again at PACT.

6 Council updates: Wimborne Minster Town and Colehill Parish – none.

7 Treasurer's Report :

The paperwork was signed for the takeover of the bank accounts by KB. GM has registered for online banking which should be up & running within a week.

8 Funding – items for consideration.

JS request funding for Wimborne PACT meetings. It was agreed we would offer £50/yr* and perhaps PACT could ask Wimborne Town Council for funds as well. (Colehill & Stour PACT meet at Furzehill Council Offices and are not charged).

9 Publicity and Events-

Surgeries: Colehill (moving to St Michaels Church Centre on Weds mornings rather than afternoons monthly) and Wimborne surgeries are continuing.

Leigh Park surgery take place occasionally, by notice in the Community Centre.

Sheduction: JS outlined towing arrangements for the 'Shed'. KB had volunteered some months ago to be another 'Shed' volunteer but is waiting for Brian Frecknall to arrange another training session.

GM asked if we could donate our stock old-type halogen 'Guardcam' to the Ferndown Community Office as we hadn't managed to sell it – agreed.

10 Any Other Business.

The subject of sending out Christmas Cards was raised and it was suggested that John Poat should be asked if he would to do it as usual. KB stated if John was not agreeable he would do it.

KB advised that Furzehill Residents Assoc is up & running with ca.70 huseholds.

Next meeting – probably March 2016, TBA.

The meeting closed at 8.17 p.m.

Post meeting notes: J Poat will arrange Christmas cards!

**£50 has been sent to Streetlight Project who host the Wimborne PACT meetings.*