



## **FCOC Meeting 7 July 2015**

1. Welcome & Apologies; Phil Fletcher (holiday),

Present; JE, TB, AB & DS

Welcome to David on his first committee meeting as a member of the executive committee.

Special hello to Terry Cordery representing FTC.

2. Minutes of the last meeting; taken as read

3. Matters arising from the minutes. Need to pick up on a few points which can not be addressed tonight due to Stuarts resignation. JE and TB to pick up on this

4. President's Report; JE has been made an honorary of Rotary. Stuart has had to resign due to staff shortages and pressure of work, this creates a concern over the Xmas event. Need someone at the Mayors Civil Service; AB will go along as a Chamber Representative. Ferndown in Bloom representative is required from Chamber , AB is happy to do this as a short term measure and enjoys horticulture. AB will contact Ferndown & Bloom to advise them that he is now our representative. Donna Nicholson of Paradox Photography has expressed an interest in joining the committee, it is proposed that she first become a member and come to the next meeting as a member. We will then all get a chance to meet her and then vote on her becoming an executive member. Those present have no objections to Donna's membership and subsequent Executive committee member.

5. Treasurers report;

£100 paid to Barrington for room hire for the first two quarters of 2015.

£49.50 paid to Barrington for the members & guest drinks at the last two meetings.

£162 paid to Mags for Dorset for web hosting ( 1 year)

£40 received from PFP leisure, £40 received from Barrington for their membership and £40 received from Easy garden for their membership.



We now have 38 members for this year.

Balance is £4185.80, Pram Race funds £907.20, True Balance £3,278.60

Having looked at the options in connection with affiliating with DCCI and BCOC it was agreed in a special committee meeting in June that we should formally apply to DCCI and TB has now instigated the necessary application process. Ian Girling, DCCI chairman will also be arranging to meet with the Ex Committee to discuss in first hand the benefits of DCCI membership and what it can do for our members

6. Membership; New member called Kerry Maunder from Wimborne , she is a Health Nutritionist but she lives in Wimborne is this an issue. JE to find out precisely what she does to see if it clashes with a current member. Ashley’s Fish and Chips wants to join and no objections from the committee.

7. Golf Day Report; Really enjoyable day, well received, Phil to tell us next month how it went financially etc.

8. Charities; JE feels that we need to have a defined charity or charities for Chamber to support which will avoid any confusion over donations. Those not involved directly with local charities will review this and make a decision at the next meeting.

9. Spot Checkers & DCCI Meetings; TB to be point of contact for DCCI, BP to be Chambers rep for Spot Checkers. We discussed the proposal again and there were no objections

10. Events update; Rotary president George Phillips wants to help us with Xmas function. As we have lost our main organiser as a committee member this is considered a good idea. BP to set up a meeting with JE to get the ball rolling on the Xmas event.

11. Any Other Business.

TB suggested a competition to improve Xmas decorations within the town. This could encourage a more festive appearance in the town and increase footfall.

David would like to be a membership secretary and will take on the roll until the AGM



The Mayoress of Ferndown is holding a Charity ball on 11th September at the Barrington and Chamber are welcome to make up a table. They are also looking for sponsorship and would welcome donations from Chamber or individual members. Please contact TB if interested

Andy is to look at organising the quiz night with TB offering to help run the evening.

The next meeting will be 4th August 2015