

## Dorset NEU Retired Members Section

Meeting Thursday 2nd October, Blandford Forum

Present: Sharon Bennett, Geoff Cooke, Karen Lindsay, Mark Oliver, Peter Parsons.

1 Facilities time for the joint secretaries appears to have been sorted. This has been a drawn out process but we welcome the resolution.

We were honoured that the Treasurer Karen Lindsay and Vice President Peter Parsons could join us for this meeting.

2 The Retired Members Conference is on 8th July 2026 in London.

Dates for future social gatherings were set;

- Wednesday 10th December, Wimborne
- Tuesday 10th March, Dorchester/Weymouth area
- Thursday June 11th Worth Matravers

3 The meeting noted that an updated contact list of retired members would be helpful to keep in contact with members who have retired. Name, email and town of residence would help to consider where best to place activities.

4 Members present informed of a volunteering opportunity with NSPCC's *Speak out Stay safe* programme. Information to be circulated to all members who have retired with information on volunteering with Dorset Reading Partners.