



love your hut

Love Your Hut is proud of our relationship with Beach Hut Associations up and down the UK

As part of this unique relationship we have been continuing to attend Annual General Meetings this year and thought we would share some of our visits.

The year began with a visit to Torbay on 8th March.

A new committee has been formed to take the BHA forward. A Facebook page and Twitter Feed were up and running, with a website on the way.

Storm Emma had hit the Torbay area badly and the snow was the worst seen for 30+ years. It was a very well attended AGM with over 150 members. Membership for 2018 and 2019 was set at £5.

A week later and Love Your Hut were guests at the Lowestoft AGM on 15th March.

The committee were pleased that membership has increased year on year and is now 65+.

There were issues raised regarding rats, toilets and bins on the promenade

The committee are looking at organising a "Beach Clean".

A local Councillor was in attendance who assisted with issues that members raised with the local hut operators, Sentinel.

Herne Bay on the 21st March was the next visit, AGM's coming thick and fast as the season approaches.....

It was a good turnout for an early AGM and Love Your Hut spoke to some new prospects and happy Love Your Hut clients. One client made a point of letting us know how happy they were with the claims process after suffering some damage.

It was interesting to see that Herne Bay BHA buy and sell Huts on behalf of Hutterers, charging a small fee for this service. It takes away the need of a Solicitor and the BHA liaison with the Council to make sure all is ok with both parties.

After the Easter season launch, Love Your hut was on its travels to attend the New Forest AGM on the 24th April.

It was the first time Love Your Hut had attended and as the only attendee it was great to get to meet hutterers in person, as well as handing out Love Your Hut goody bags.

The local Police and Council attended the meeting to address hutterers concerns.

Love Your Hut appreciated the warm welcome!

Moving over to the east coast and Love Your Hut visits Clacton on the 5th May

It was a great turnout of Hutterers – new and existing.





The Council spoke about issues that Hutterers had – works on the beach, dogs on the beach, cycling on the prom, taps not working and agreeing to look into them.

Love Your Hut were introduced to members and many goody bags were taken before and after the AGM. Many familiar faces were in attendance.

Friars Cliff was our next visit on the 17th May 2018...

Familiar faces welcomed us at this well supported BHA meeting.

Love Your Hut goody bags went down a treat and we were pleased to collect new enquiries from new Love Your Hut hutterers.

Love Your Hut and the local PC50 spoke at the meeting and took questions before a much appreciated buffet.

A visit to West Dorset on the 27th May followed on the bank holiday weekend with the Lyme Regis AGM.

The meeting mainly focussed on discussions with the council about the new 25 year lease for huts and chalets, which are coming to a conclusion.

Love Your Hut gave some clarity about naming the council as an interested party on future policies.

A well supported meeting with Love Your Hut goody bags being distributed after the AGM to hutterers. We were pleased to answer queries that were raised.

With the season in full swing and summer definitely here, Love Your Hut visited the Frinton on Sea AGM on 9th June.

The AGM was well attended by new and existing hutterers.

Issues raised ranged from cycling to dogs and problems with taps. The council beach representative was present answering some issues and promising to address other issues that he could in the future.

Final Plans were in place for the inaugural Frinton BHA Fun Day which would take place on the 26th July and Love Your Hut are planning to attend.

Love Your Hut took questions after the AGM and handed out goody bags to hutterers.

As temperatures rose Love Your Hut attended the Brightlingsea AGM on the 20th June.

Another well attended AGM from the Hutterers of Brightlingsea.

The council beach representative answered queries and questions.

Also attending was a local contractor who specialises in beach hut repairs and replacement. He spoke on the security of doors and windows, giving some good information on how to secure huts more effectively.

There was also a talk on the new Brightlingsea Lido, which has been taken over by volunteers and given a massive face-lift. It had just opened in May and was doing well with new visitors enjoying the sun. The charity running the Lido are planning further improvements following its success.

Love Your Hut were introduced to the members early in the AGM which allowed us to take questions and offer goody bags during the evening.





After a summer break, making the most of the glorious weather, Love Your Hut visited the Southwold AGM on the 27th August.

Attended by over 100 hutters on August Bank Holiday Monday Love Your Hut were made to feel welcome.

Unfortunately the Waveney Council representative was not able to attend due to work commitments, but the members collected questions to put to the rep later.

Two bin fires were highlighted by the BHA and the importance of using bins correctly reiterated. There had been very few complaints from hutters about the toilets which was an improvement since 2017. Rules for dogs were being adhered to both on the beach and prom.

The rent review was coming to a close with an agreement on both sides. Huts at Southwold have a 50 year lease and as part of the lease discussions, it had been agreed that the BHA would have a Working Group to discuss issues with the Council about the Huts going forward.

The new chair to replace Ken Waters will be Geoff Berridge; the new Secretary to replace Geoff will be Rip Pugh. There are two new committee members replacing retirees.

North Beach Huts had been moved on site successfully this year and will be moved off-site early November 2018.

Love Your Hut was pleased to answer questions and thanked the BHA for their support.

Down to the beach, literally for the West Mersea AGM on 2nd September

Attended by over 40 hutters and the Committee, Love Your Hut were introduced at the start of the AGM, taking insurance queries.

Discounted Parking for Hutters is given, but in the next 2 years this will be increased. Both toilet blocks are looking to be upgraded & this is still ongoing!

There are 20 patrollers who look after the Huts. In winter 2017-18 they reported 21 incidents of damaged huts, break-ins and roof felt damage. So far summer has seen 9 break-ins so far.

Membership sits at over 400 and the annual subscription remains at £5.

£1,000 was raised via crowd funding for the 10 Huts that were damaged by fire last year - £100 per Hut. Some Hutters took the money and some donated it to the services that helped them.

Dogs on leads / on the beach was also raised!

Love Your Hut handed out goody bags at the end of the AGM.

Over to our friends at Fareham AGM on 14th September

Love Your Hut was pleased to attend and made welcome by the hutters in attendance and the Committee.

New hutters discussed insurance with Love Your Hut and goody bags were well received.

The Committee are looking for two new members. The BHA are to buy a laptop to assist in the running of the BHA and will hold all relevant information.

It was reported that it has been a great summer this year at the Huts, and owners are very pleased that there is no rent increase.

Huts at Fareham are selling well and fetching £20k+.

