

# British Dance Council

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### ***PRESS RELEASE***

#### ***THE BRITISH DANCE COUNCIL TEACHERS' COMMITTEE***

*The British Dance Council Teachers' Committee was formed to look after the interest of the 'grass roots' dance teachers. Unfortunately many dance teachers are unaware of the existence of the committee and many have no idea of what the committee is for and what it does. The idea of this Press Release is to give everyone a brief idea of the function of the committee, which is:*

- *To promote and publicise ballroom dancing*
- *To encourage, foster and increase public interest and participation in ballroom dancing*
- *To encourage the general public to obtain instruction only from qualified teachers*
- *To do everything possible to promote and further the professional standing and best interest of qualified dance teachers*
- *To promote professional qualifications*
- *To keep teachers up to date with changes to Child Protection policy*
- *To inform of any changes in the music licensing tariffs and procedures*
- *To give any updates on the Disclosure and Barring Service*
- *To be aware of any marketing opportunities that might arise from time to time*

*To help achieve the aims above, the committee has recently embarked on another publicity campaign to publicise the importance of employing teachers with professionally recognized dance qualifications. Letters have been sent to the Prime Minister, copied to the British Medical Association and other relevant government Ministers and the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Dance, publicizing professional qualifications and pointing out the benefits of dance in helping to fight the battle to improve the health of the nation.*

*There are a number of areas where dance teachers are having problems with unqualified dance teachers opening up in their locality. A letter has been drawn up and posted on the BDC website, that can be downloaded by professionally qualified dance teachers, to send to local authorities, local community centres, education authorities, fitness centres etc. to publicise the importance of employing professionally qualified teachers of dance and pointing out the potential dangers of employing unqualified teachers. There is a leaflet for download to accompany this letter which gives a brief outline of our professional qualifications.*

*The BDC Teachers' Committee is YOUR committee. If you have any issues you wish to have brought up at our meetings, or any suggestions to help the committee meet its aims, please contact the Honorary Secretary, Jan Williams, [janby1@aol.com](mailto:janby1@aol.com).*