



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT -2008

I would like to thank everyone for their support over the last year:

- Especially Adrian Faulkner for his work as Secretary and Treasurer, maintaining the website and chasing up various officials for replies and keeping the membership informed.
- Bill Johnson as Vice Chair and the representative on South Lakeland Development Trust and recently for introducing Heartstart to the chamber.
- Naomi Derbyshire and Jo Harris as membership secretaries for introducing new members and promoting the Chamber to local businesses. They have also worked hard as our representatives with the Windermere Enhancement Scheme and Ellerthwaite Square Development. They have also been busy with the Winter Lights and organising events with other businesses in Windermere.
- Eve Blatchley who continues to represent the Chamber on the twinning committee and her hard work in promoting the Chamber here and in Diessen.
- Simon Everett as representative on Still Waters Partnership.

The Chamber has been involved in consultations with regard to

Local Government Reorganisation

Local Development Framework

Overview and Scrutiny Consultation 2008/9

Rural Post Office Closures

SLDC Budget 2007/08

South Lakeland Community Strategy Consultation

The Royal Development

WoW Festival 2008, Windermere and Bowness 25 year Management Plan

Windermere Enhancement Scheme

SLDC car parking charges

World Heritage Status

Still Waters Partnership

The Chamber has supported

The Fair Trade Organisation in Windermere

WoW

Winter Lights

Windermere in Bloom

The Wow Trophy for under 18's sailing went to

The Chambers Windermere in Bloom Trophy went to

The best dressed Christmas window went to Help the Aged

The Twinning Association

It appears that there is going to be a great change in the committee but I am sure that the new committee will continue to promote the Chamber and be fully involved in the community and will be supported by the membership.