

The Minutes of the Members Annual General Meeting held on the 12th December 2017 at the Burnside Hotel, Kendal Road, Bowness-on-Windermere, commencing at 6pm.

Members Present:

Eve Blatchley (Hon Member)	Adrian Faulkner (AGF Business Services Ltd)
Liz & Tony Blaney (Fairfield Guest House)	Scott Keenan
Barry Butler (Butler Thompson Assoc)	

Guest

Cllr. Magda Khan (WTC)

Members Apologies:

All Seasons Guest House	Caroline & Jonathon Kaye (Cedar Manor Hotel)
Clayton Butchers	Paul Liddell (Lakelovers)
David Carter (David Carter Chemists)	Adam Slatter (Booths)
Simon Everett (Past Chair)	Tim Swaine (NatWest)
Tim Farron MP	The World of Beatrix Potter Attraction
Enid Goldthorpe (Welcome Guide)	
Sue & Peter Jackson (Heart of the Lakes)	

Opening Remarks:

Barry Butler welcomed the assembled members and began by saying:

“I have acted as Chair at most of the meetings throughout the year but think it is time that some of the younger members took a turn now!

I would like to pay particular thanks to Adrian Faulkner who has throughout the year held the Chamber together, kept the members informed as well as pushing the various authorities for replies and information especially United Utilities and their contractors.

I would also like to thank all the other Officers and Members for their outstanding work throughout the year and hope this continues.

Scott Keenan has worked hard this year on the sculpture trail after the suggestion at last years AGM by Rebecca Frain. More will be heard about this over the next few months.

It is essential that we get a Chair for the forthcoming year to keep things moving and progress the Chamber. I think it is also important that we get some ‘young blood’ into the Chamber to help develop modern technology and other systems.

I would also like to thank those involved in the Christmas Market as there were more stalls this year with more shopkeepers putting up stalls outside their premises. I think it was a success and has certainly brought more people to the area over this weekend and has given a good Christmas feeling along with the lights in the build up to the festive season.”

Minutes of the AGM:

The Minutes of the AGM held on the 13th December 2016 were proposed by Barry Butler, seconded by Tony Blaney, and accepted as a true record by those present.

Election of Officers: the following nominations were received for the Officer positions for 2017/18 and were duly elected by those members attending the meeting with Scott Keenan taking the chair for the election of the Chairman

Position	Officer	Proposer	Seconded
Chair	Barry Butler	Adrian Faulkner	Liz Blaney
Vice Chair	Scott Keenan	Tony Blaney	Barry Butler
Secretary	Adrian Faulkner	Barry Butler	Tony Blaney
Treasurer	Adrian Faulkner	Eve Blatchley	Tony Blaney
Membership Secretary – Bowness	Paul Frain	Adrian Faulkner	Liz Blaney
Membership Secretary – Windermere	Erica Hargreaves-Wood	Adrian Faulkner	Liz Blaney
Windermere Town Twinning Association	Tony Blaney	Adrian Faulkner	Scott Keenan
Windermere Catchment Restoration Programme	Ad Hoc		
Windermere In Bloom	Adrian Faulkner	Tony Blaney	Barry Butler
Windermere Waterfront Project	Barry Butler	Adrian Faulkner	Tony Blaney
Lakes Line Community Rail Partnership	Adrian Faulkner	Tony Blaney	Liz Blaney
Bowness & Windermere Forward Board	Adrian Faulkner/ Paul Frain	Scott Keenan	Tony Blaney
Business Task Force	Barry Butler	Adrian Faulkner	Scott Keenan
Additional Committee Members	Jonty Mayo	Barry Butler	Tony Blaney
	Enid Goldthorpe	Barry Butler	Tony Blaney

Correspondence:

The Secretary reported no correspondence had been received.

Equity and Diversity Statement

Barry Butler resigned this document on behalf of the Windermere & Bowness Chamber of Trade. The document is to be put onto the website.

Sculpture Trail

The following resolutions were proposed and **AGREED** by those members present:

- The constitution for the Sculpture Trail.
- That the Sculpture Trail should have charitable status.
- Agreement of the initial Trustees.

There then followed an update on the progress being made by Scott Keenan.

Treasurers Report:

The Treasurer handed out copies of the Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 30th September 2017. The Treasurer proposed acceptance of the accounts. This was approved by those present. These accounts can be found on the Chamber's website under "Minutes".

He then brought to the attention of the meeting those members who had left the Chamber through retirement or moving away and said that he would follow up the new owners to see if they wanted to continue the membership.

The Treasurer recommended that the annual subscriptions remain for both full membership and associate membership at £25-00 for 2017/18. This was approved by those present.

AOB:

Nothing to report

Signed:

Barry Butler
Chairman - Windermere & Bowness Chamber of Trade

Date Approved: 18th December 2018