

The Minutes of the Members Annual General Meeting held on the 13th December 2016 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)	Paul & Rebecca Frain (Helens Chocolates)
Barry Butler (Butler Thompson Assoc)	Bill Johnson (Hon. Member)
	Jonty Mayo

Guest

Cllr. Alan Winrow (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:

“He had the privilege of acting as Chair at a number of meetings throughout the year. 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. I would also like to thanks all the other Officers and Members for their outstanding work throughout the year and hope this continues.

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 I think it was a tremendous success and I have not seen Windermere as busy at a weekend for many years.”

Minutes of the AGM:

The Minutes of the AGM held on the 15th December 2015 were proposed by Barry Butler, seconded by Bill Johnson, and accepted as a true record by those present.

Election of Officers: the following nominations were received for the Officer positions for 2013/14 and were duly elected by those members attending the meeting with Simon Everett (retiring chair) taking the chair for the election of the Chairman

Position	Officer	Proposer	Seconded
Chair	Vacant		
Vice Chair	Vacant		
Secretary	Adrian Faulkner	Jonty Mayo	Tony Blaney
Treasurer	Adrian Faulkner	Paul Frain	Jonty Mayo

Membership Secretary – Bowness	Paul Frain	Barry Butler	Jonty Mayo
Membership Secretary – Windermere	Erica Hargreaves-Wood	Jonty Mayo	Adrian Faulkner
Windermere Town Twinning Association	Tony Blaney	Adrian Faulkner	Jonty Mayo
Windermere Catchment Restoration Programme	Held in abeyance		
Windermere In Bloom	Adrian Faulkner	Barry Butler	Jonty Mayo
Windermere Waterfront Project	Barry Butler	Jonty Mayo	Paul Frain
Lakes Line Community Rail Partnership	Adrian Faulkner	Barry Butler	Jonty Mayo
Bowness & Windermere Forward Board	Adrian Faulkner/ Paul Frain	Liz Blaney	Jonty Mayo
Business Task Force	Barry Butler	Paul Frain	Adrian Faulkner
Additional Committee Members	Jonty Mayo Enid Goldthorpe	Adrian Faulkner Adrian Faulkner	Rebecca Frain Rebecca Frain

Correspondence:

The Secretary read out various pieces of information he had received from the Lakes Line Community Rail Partnership.

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.

Treasurers Report:

The Treasurer handed out copies of the Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 30th September 2016. 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 2016/17. This was approved by those present.

AOB:

The Secretary stated that he would conduct a survey of the membership as to the impact the German Market had on the local economy.

Signed:

Barry Butler
Chairman - Windermere & Bowness Chamber of Trade

Date Approved: 12th December 2017