

Promoting the trading and commercial interests of Bowness, Windermere and the immediate area.

The minutes of a General Members Meeting held on the 6<sup>th</sup> May 2014 at the Burnside Hotel, Kendal Road, Bowness-on-Windermere, commencing at 7pm.

# **Members Present:**

Barry Butler (Butler Thompson Assoc) Amanda Davies (Brambles Tea Room) Simon Everett (Simon Everett Opticians) Adrian Faulkner (AGF Business Services Ltd) Erica Hargreaves-Wood (Erica's Hair Salon) David Howarth (Renoirs) Bill Johnson (Hon. Member)

### **Guests:**

Insp. K Speeding (Cumbria Constabulary) Cllr. John Saunders (WTC)

PCSO Sarah Blacow (Cumbria Constabulary) Jon Owen (Speaker)

### **Apologies:**

Cllr. Ben Berry (S.L.D.C.)
Eve Blatchley (Hon. Member)
David Carter (David Carter Chemists)
Bob Cheetham (Crescent Chocolates)
Clayton Butchers
Tim Farron (MP)

Sue & Peter Jackson (Heart of the Lakes)
Paul Liddell (Lakelovers)
La Galerie D'art
lan Seddon (HSBC)
Adam Slater (Booths Supermarket)
Tim Swaine (NatWest Bank)
Ruth & Enid Thompson (Welcome Guide)

Barry Butler took the Chair and welcomed members and guests. It was suggested that the police gave their report first in case they had to be called away. This was agreed to by those present.

# Police:

Insp. Kevin Spedding gave a report on the crime statistics for the area over the past 3 months. It was reported that shop lifting was 1 up on 2013. Dog fouling notices had been put up in the area.

Licensing was being taken seriously and officers were patrolling the area on foot at strategic times. Letters of warning had been issued to a number of licensed premises. Under aged drinking is being addressed.

PCSO Sarah Blacow updated the meeting on the progress being made with the 'Shop Watch' scheme.

#### Presentation:

Barry introduced Jon Owen (Operations Manager – Brathay Trust) who gave a short presentation on the arrangements for the Windermere Marathon. First, Jon outlined the work done by the Trust who make contact with over 6,500 young people each year and pointed out that there were 4 youth programmes in Cumbria.

Jon then went on to outline where the road restricts would be around the course and in particular those within the Windermere Parish. He made reference to over 1,000 runners taking part over the weekend. He then took a number of questions.

Jon was thanked, on behalf of those present for the information and wished success with the event.

## Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on the 15<sup>th</sup> April 2014 were accepted as being a true record. These were proposed by Simon Everett, seconded by David Howarth.

## Matters Arising not covered by the Agenda:

None.

# **Correspondence:**

The Secretary read out an email he had received from Ben Berry in connection with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual "No Wood Cardboard Boat Race" being held at the Low Wood.

# Report/comments from the Windermere Town Council Representative:

This report is now on the website.

### Reports:

All the reports are now sent in advance of the meeting and can be found at:

http://www.wbcoft.org.uk/reports.htm

Barry Butler reported that he was having a meeting with Andy Cummings, the Head of the Lakes School, in the near future on the subject of Apprenticeships.

### **Website Statistics:**

Due to closeness of the meeting to the previous month end these were not available for the meeting.

### A.O.B.

Amanda Davies gave a quick up date on the Winter Lights.

The meeting closed at 8pm.

# **Dates of Future Meetings:**

Sept  $9^{\text{th}}$  - Jim Maguire, Community and Leisure Manager, South Lakeland District Council - Ferry Nab Development.

Oct 8<sup>th</sup>

Nov 11<sup>th</sup>

Dec 16<sup>th</sup> – AGM and Christmas "Get Together"

### 2015

Jan 6<sup>th</sup>

Feb 10<sup>th</sup> – Jon Owen, Windermere/Brathay Marathon Arrangements

Mar 10<sup>th</sup> - Gail Escolme - Employment Law Update

Apl 21<sup>st</sup>

May 12th

Adrian G Faulkner - Secretary, Windermere & Bowness Chamber of Trade DMS. FCMI., CLP.