



**Windermere  
& Bowness** | Chamber  
of Trade

The minutes of a General Members Meeting held on the 6<sup>th</sup> May 2008 at the Burnside Hotel, Bowness-on-Windermere, commencing at 6:30pm.

Present:

Eve Blatchley	Hon. Member	Simon Everett	Simon Everett Opticians
Liz Blaney	Fairfield Guest House	Adrian Faulkner	AGF Bus Ser Ltd
Barry Butler (Chair)	Butler Thompson Associates	Joanne Harris	Windermere Wine Stores
David Cartwright	Brambles Tea Room	Bill Johnson	Hon. Member
Naomi Darbishire	W McClures Ltd		

Apologies:

Tony Blaney	Fairfield Garden Guest House	Joanne Ireland	The Hen House
Anthony Dean	Threshers	Mike Nicholson	Seafarers
Tim Farron MP		Penny Seeds	Manucha
Jo-Ann Fennell	Purple Chilli Cafe	Cllr. Joan Stocker	WPC Representative
Richard Freeman	Freemans		

Opening Remarks:

Barry Butler (Chair) welcomed the assembled members.

Minutes:

With a few amendments to dates rather than substance, the Minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup> March and the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2008 were accepted as being correct.

Matters Arising not covered by the Agenda:

The Secretary was requested to contact SLDC with a view of trying to encourage "Free Parking" in Windermere to the end of the season.

Correspondence:

The Secretary read out the following correspondence that was not available on the website;

- a) A letter from the LDNPA notifying the Chamber of Trade that an appeal had gone in from the Old England Hotel, Bowness, regarding the plastic window. It was agreed by those present that the Chamber should respond on the lines it had done in notifying the LDNPA of the breach in planning control.
- b) An email from Richard Freeman regarding a simple survey on "How's Business." This was agreed to and left with the Secretary to devise such a form and either email it to members or put onto the website.

Community Safety Partnership:

Bill Johnson, as the Chambers representative, gave a report on the last meeting:

- a) The Youth Shelter was having extra panels put in.
- b) The Youth Café pilot had moved back to the Phoenix Centre.
- c) The girls' football team is representing the area in a major competition.
- d) The decline in Anti-social behavior is a measure of success.
- e) There are two weekly surgeries at the Lakes School run by the Community Police Officer, PC Kevin Robinson.
- f) FA Coaching Staff were coming into the area to train the youngsters.
- g) Area Action Plan – "Neighborhood Home Watch" funding had been secured up to 2009.
- h) The Fire Service had visited 177 homes in the area and fitted Smoke Alarms **free** of charge. They had a target of 244 this year.
- i) SLDT, through Paul Holdsworth, were looking into the cost of CCTV.

10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the town Twinning Association:  
Eve Blatchley gave a general up date on proceedings.

Any Other Business:

The Chamber of Trade had been offered the use of a boat for the Lions Festival Boat Parade in August. Those attending thought it would be a great idea to 'profile' the Chamber of Trade. Ideas are being sort on a theme of decoration.

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Dates of Future Meetings:

**2008**

6<sup>th</sup> May – General Members Meeting @ 7:00pm

June 3<sup>rd</sup> @ **7:00pm**

September 9<sup>th</sup>

October 7<sup>th</sup> – Guest Speaker: Mike Clark, Director of the Lake District World Heritage Project

November 4<sup>th</sup>

December 9<sup>th</sup> – **AGM & Christmas “Get Together”**

**2009**

January 6<sup>th</sup>

February 3<sup>rd</sup>

March 3<sup>rd</sup>

April 7<sup>th</sup>

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