## WINDERMERE & BOWNESS CHAMBER OF TRADE

## AGM December 2016

## **Opening Remarks**

I would like to welcome all members and guests to this evening AGM and Social.

I have 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 thank 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 new young blood into the Chamber to help develop modern technology and other systems.

I would also like to thank all 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.

Barry Butler