

Notes of a general Members Meeting held on 3rd November 2015 at the Burnside Hotel, Kendal Road, Bowness on Windermere commencing at 6pm.

A number of members were present.

Apologies

Liz Blaney (Fairfield Guest House) Eve Blatchley (Hon. Member) David Carter (David Carter Chemists) Clayton Butchers Tim Farron (MP) Simon Everett (Past Chair) Sue & Peter Jackson (Heart of the Lakes) Caroline & Jonathon Kaye (Cedar Manor) La Galerie D'art (Jill Crisp & Mr. Tonnet) Paul Liddell (Lakelovers) Ian Seddon (HSBC) Adam Slater (Booths Supermarket) Tim Swaine (NatWest Bank)

Barry Butler (acting Chair welcomed the assembled members..

Police

The Secretary read out an email he had received from PCSO Sarah Blacow who was offering to provide 2 cups for the Chamber of Trade's *"Christmas Window"* competition. The meeting expressed its gratitude to the gesture. The secretary was asked to email Sarah the meetings decision.

Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 6th October 2015 were approved as being correct.

Correspondence

The Secretary read out some correspondence he had picked up from the Windermere Town Council minutes concerning Cumbria Highways improvement scheme. This concerned;

- 1. Improvements to the crossing at Goodly Dale
- 2. Pedestrian Crossing on Lake Road
- 3. Bus Shelter on Lake Road
- 4. 20mph limit from Beresford Road to the Glebe.

A further point was reported regarding the removal of car parking from Biskey Howe Road down to the bottom of Crag Brow. This came from a letter in the previous weeks Westmorland Gazette from the Cumbria Societies for the Blind. After a discussion it was felt that the meeting could not respond and these points should be circulated to the membership.

The Secretary brought to the attention of the meeting the new rules governing "Online Dispute Resolution" which come into force from the 9th January 2016. These are on the website at: http://www.wbcoft.org.uk/online_dispute_resolution.htm

Reports

No reports received.

Renewal of Sponsorship

It was agreed by those present to renew the Chamber of Trade's sponsorship of a hanging basket in 2016. The Secretary was asked to contact the Town Council clerk to organise.

Northern Rail Franchise

The members were given a copy of an email the Secretary had received from the Lakes Line Rail User Group (LLRUG) which was in response to email he had sent them. This email can be found at; <u>http://www.wbcoft.org.uk/news.htm</u> and scroll down to 'Northern Rail Franchise.'

AOB

The Secretary reported that the **Nomination Forms** for the Officers and committee members for 2015/16 are on the website - <u>http://www.wbcoft.org.uk/minutes_agenda.htm</u> and scroll down.

Barry Butler closed the meeting at 7:45pm.

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