

**Notes** of the General Members Meeting held on the 6<sup>th</sup> March 2018 in the Spa Suite, Burnside Hotel, Kendal Road, Bowness on Windermere commencing at 6pm.

### **Present:**

A number of members together with Helen Moriarty (Project Manager, Bowness & Windermere Forward) and Cllr. Magda Khan (Windermere Town Council).

### **Apologies:**

All Season Guest House	Alex Kirby (Oakhill Veterinary Group)
Liz Blaney (Fairfield Guest House)	Paul Liddell (Lakelovers)
Eve Blatchley (Hon Member)	Jonty Mayo (Musgraves)
Barry Butler (Michael Holden Chartered Surveyors)	Paula Parsons (Bowness News)
David Carter (David Carter Chemists)	John Reynolds (Booths Supermarket)
Clayton Butchers	Paula & Graham Smith (Lingmoor Guesthouse)
Tim Farron (MP)	Tim Swaine (NatWest Bank)
Simon Everett (Past Chair)	World of Beatrix Potter Attraction, The
Enid Goldthorpe (Welcome Guide)	Mike Robinson (Burnside Hotel)
Michael Holden (Michael Holden Chartered Surveyors)	Carl Penson (The Porterage)
Sue & Peter Jackson (Heart of the Lakes)	Paul Frain (Helen's Chocolates)
Caroline & Jonathon Kaye (Cedar Manor)	Hill of Oaks (Assoc Member)

In the absence of Barry Butler, Scott Keenan (Vice-Chair) took the chair and welcomed the assembled members and guests.

### **Presentation**

Helen Moriarty gave a presentation on her role as Project Manager for the Bowness & Windermere Forward project and concept ideas for future projects. She has been employed to drive forward the ambitions of the partnership which included:

1. Prepare action plan.
2. Improve community resilience
3. Create sustainable transport solutions
4. High quality realm
5. Visitor experience
6. Launch website
7. Quarterly newsletter
8. Judgeable

Helen then went onto explain her thoughts on each of the above. She then asked for the thoughts, ideas etc of those assembled. She finished by saying she thought there was a "lot to work on."

Helen was thanked by Scott for her attendance and hoped she might be able to return later in the year to give an update. Helen agreed to this.

### **Police**

None attendance.

### **Sculpture Trail**

Scott Keenan gave an update on the progress being made. There then followed discussion on its contents.

The Secretary asked to contact:

1. The L.D.N.P.A. regarding the planned sites and planning permission.



2. To look into the prospect of obtaining the services of an Honorary Solicitor.
  3. Adrian Legge (Windermere and Bowness Civic Society) regarding the plaques
- There is to be a meeting of the 'Business Plan' sub-committee on the 14<sup>th</sup> March 2018.

### **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on the 6<sup>th</sup> February 2018 were accepted as being correct.

### **Matters Arising**

No matters.

### **Correspondence**

The Secretary read out the 'thank you' letter he had received from the Windermere-Diessen Twinning Association for the donation of £300 towards their 20<sup>th</sup> year celebrations.

He also referenced the fact that S.L.D.C. were going to introduce an 'early bird' £1 all day parking fee at the Broad Street car park in Windermere.

### **Report from the Windermere Town Council Representative.**

- Nothing to report.

### **Report from Chamber Representatives**

- **Membership** – Nothing to report.
- **Windermere & Bowness Winter Lights Group** – Nothing to report.
- **Windermere – Diessen Town Twinning Association** – AGM is to be on the 22<sup>nd</sup> March in the Marchesi Centre, Windermere at 7pm.
- **Windermere in Bloom / Cumbria in Bloom** – Nothing to report
- **Lakes Line Community Rail Partnership** – Next meeting is on the 15<sup>th</sup> March in Grange-over-Sands. The Secretary was asked to write the LLCRP Secretary regarding the fouling of the railway tracks whilst the trains are at a stand in the stations. This follows on from an article in the Westmorland Gazette dated 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018.
- **Business Task Force** – Nothing to report

### **Bowness & Windermere Forward**

See Helen Moriarty's presentation above.

### **Transport for North Consultation**

The Secretary précised the report he had received from Barry Butler. After which, those assembled agreed to note the report.

### **AOB**

Nothing to report

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8:32pm. There then followed an informal networking session.

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