WINDERMERE & BOWNESS CHAMBER OF TRADE

Notes of a General Members Meeting held on 10 March 2015 at the Burnside Hotel, Kendal Road, Bowness on Windermere commencing at 7pm

A number of members and guests were present.

Apologies

PCSO Sarah Blacow Tony Blaney (Fairfield Guest House) Eve Blatchley (Hon. Member) Sue Bloy (Lakes Accountancy) David Carter David Carter Chemists) Cllr. Ben Berry Clayton Butchers Cinderella-Me Simon Everett Tim Farron (MP) Enid Goldthorpe (Welcome Guide) David & Gill Howarth (Renoirs) Sue & Peter Jackson (Heart of the Lakes) La Galerie D'art (Jill Crisp & Mr. Tonnet) Paul Liddell (Lakelovers) Ruth Parsons (Welcome Guide) Penny Seeds (Manuka) Ian Seddon (HSBC) Adam Slater (Booths Supermarket) Tim Swaine (NatWest Bank)

Barry Butler took the Chair welcoming those assembled and introduced Gail Escolme.

Gail provided an update on the Employment Law up to March 2015, paying particular attention to holiday pay, fit for work, shared parental leave and a general roundup.

There was quite a healthy question and answer session, especially on holiday pay and what it includes and does not include.

For those not present you may wish to check that you are complying.

Adrian and Sarah Blacow have now distributed the Shop Watch folders in Bowness on Windermere. These were very well received and Adrian had noticed that the checking notes sticker has gone up in quite a few shop doors.

Sarah will have a number of spare folders at the police station.

There is an email from Simon Day who is the project development manager of Youth Offending Services based in Penrith. He is seeking opportunities and projects for a client group to participate in. They would be accompanied, supervised and managed by a member of the Youth Offending Services.

If possible, if anyone has any details you can pass them on by email, no doubt Adrian will provide a copy of the email from Simon to all the members.

Adrian will report on Cumbrian in Bloom on the website. There was a meeting held on 9 March.

Adrian is attending the RHS Federation meeting on the 11 March and further details of this meeting, again, will be on the website.

There is an extra meeting on 14 April when Claire McClean of Cumbria County Council will be giving an update on the optimising connectivity as promised.

John Saunders gave an update of Windermere Town Council meetings and the discussion on taxis, which were parking in residential areas.

John Saunders also gave an update on the Millerground development.

Barry Butler then closed the meeting.

Barry Butler Chair Windermere & Bowness Chamber of Trade