

Notes of the General Members Meeting held on the 8th January 2019 in the Spa Suite, Romney Snug Bar, Burnside Hotel, Kendal Road, Bowness on Windermere commencing at 7pm.

Present:

A number of members were present with Scott Keenan in the chair.

Apologies:

All Season Guest House	Lisa Holden (Hapimag)
Eve Blatchley (Hon Member)	Caroline & Jonathon Kaye (Cedar Manor)
Stephen Broughton (Mountain Goat)	Alex Kirby (Oakhill Veterinary Group)
Stuart Bailey (Hon Solicitor)	Paul Liddell (Lakelovers)
David Carter (David Carter Chemists)	Adrian North (Edge of the World)
Clayton Butchers	John Reynolds (Booths Supermarket)
Simon Everett (Past Chair)	Paula & Graham Smith (Lingmoor Guesthouse)
Tim Farron (MP)	Tim Swaine (NatWest Bank)
David Ferguson (Old Pump House)	Nigel Wilkinson (Windermere Lake Cruises)
Enid Goldthorpe (Welcome Guide)	World of Beatrix Potter Attraction, The
Michael Holden (Michael Holden Chartered Surveyors)	Tony & Liz Blaney (Fairfield Guest House)

Scott Keenan welcomed the assembled members.

Police

The Secretary read out an email he had received from PCSO Jonny Gios which pointed out that a new "WhatsApp" retail group for Bowness had been set up. This was being run by the retailers and was to be used to alert the users of various criminal and none-criminal matters. This was welcomed by those present and hoped it may continue long into the future.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on the 6th November 2018 were amended to include Scott Keenan and then accepted as being correct.

Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

Correspondence

The Secretary reported that he was meeting with United Utilities on the 9th January regarding the A591 road works. He was asked to bring to their attention a number of concerns.

He also informed the meeting that

1. there was a draft proposal from SLDC to reduce the number of Town Councillors from 20 to 13. This was because to Town Council carried "many vacancies" and had a "history of uncontested elections."
2. a article in the Westmorland Gazette stated that On-street charging plan looked to be turned down.
3. a article in the Westmorland Gazette stating that the Cumbria County Council were going to re-establish the Windermere Ferry Advisory Committee. This is to enable local residents around the lake to have a greater say in the running on the cross-lake ferry.

Report from the Windermere Town Council Representative.

No report.

Report on the Sculpture Trail.

Scott gave an update on the progress being and suggested the sub-committee meet in the near future to progress this project forward. This was agreed to and a date was fixed for the following week.

Report from Chamber Representatives

- **Membership** – Nothing to report.
- **Windermere & Bowness Winter Lights Group** – nothing to report
- **Windermere – Diessen Town Twinning Association** – nothing to report.
- **Windermere in Bloom / Cumbria in Bloom** – nothing to report..
- **Lakes Line Community Rail Partnership** – the Secretary reported that he attended a recent meeting and the agenda was the usual complainants regarding the service Northern Rail were giving on the Lakes Line. The various rail companies gave their reports
- **Business Task Force** – Nothing to report

Bowness & Windermere Forward

The Secretary reported that he had attended the meeting on the 27th November 2018 at which was discussed the following proposed projects;

1. Enhancement Survey
2. Prom Art on the Glebe
3. Welcome Volunteers
4. Bowness & Windermere Visitor Map
5. Business Links/Events
6. Funding update
7. Partner Updates

Should any member require any more details on the above, please contact the secretary at a.g.faulkner@gmail.com

AOB

- The Secretary brought to the meeting's attention that he and Scott would be making a presentation to the Windermere Town Council regarding the proposed Sculpture Trail on the 9th January 2019.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8:58pm. There then followed an informal networking session.

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