

Notes of the General Members Meeting held on the 6th November 2018 in the Spa Suite, Romney Snug Bar, Burnside Hotel, Kendal Road, Bowness on Windermere commencing at 6pm.

Present:

A number of members together with Cllr. Magda Khan (Windermere Town Council) were present.

Apologies:

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| 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) | Jonty Mayo (Musgraves) |
| Clayton Butchers | Adrian North (Edge of the World) |
| Simon Everett (Past Chair) | John Reynolds (Booths Supermarket) |
| Tim Farron (MP) | Paula & Graham Smith (Lingmoor Guesthouse) |
| David Ferguson (Old Pump House) | Tim Swaine (NatWest Bank) |
| Enid Goldthorpe (Welcome Guide) | Nigel Wilkinson (Windermere Lake Cruises) |
| Michael Holden (Michael Holden Chartered Surveyors) | World of Beatrix Potter Attraction, The Tony & Liz Blaney (Fairfield Guest House) |

Barry Butler took the chair and welcomed the assembled members and guests.

Before the business part of the meeting, Barry Butler presented Mike Graham (Winter Lights Treasurer) with a cheque towards the cost of this year's Winter Lights,

Police

The new PCSO, Jonny Gios, introduced himself and gave a report on matters of interest to the membership. He reported on a number of criminal activities in the area and asked that the businesses be vigilant over these matters. A question was raised, via email to the Secretary, regarding speeding cars on the section of the Kendal Road between the entrance to Parklands and Brantfell Road. Jonny suggested that the complainant make a note of dates, times and registration numbers in order for the police to follow up.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on the 2nd October 2018 were accepted as being correct.

Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

Correspondence

The Secretary read out a letter he had received from the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government concerning Business Rates as outlined in the 2018 Autumn Budget.

Report from the Windermere Town Council Representative.

- Cllr. Magda Khan updated the meeting on general matters of interest as discussed by the council. A question was raised regarding a newspaper article concerning the Town Council taking over the ownership and management of Longlands Park in Bowness from the South Lakeland District Council.

Report on the Sculpture Trail.

Nothing to report.

Report from Chamber Representatives

- **Membership** – Nothing to report.
- **Windermere & Bowness Winter Lights Group** – see above.
- **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 would be attending a meeting on the 11th December on behalf of the Chamber.
- **Business Task Force** – Nothing to report

Bowness & Windermere Forward

The Secretary reported that he would be attending the Board meeting on the 27th November.

Remembrance Sunday

The Secretary reported that he would be attending the parade and service on the 11th November and laying a wreath on behalf of the Chamber. This was a special event as it marked the 100th Anniversary of the cessation of WW1.

Cumbria County Council

The Secretary brought to the attention of the meeting a newspaper article concerning a leaked council dossier regarding charging for 'on-street' parking. As this was speculation a watching brief as asked for by those present.

AOB

- The Secretary brought to the meeting's attention a number of planning applications that could impact the various Conservation Areas and asked that the Town Council be mindful of this when deliberating.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8:07pm. There then followed an informal networking session.

Adrian G Faulkner – Secretary, Windermere & Bowness Chamber of Trade.
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