



Minutes of the Chamber Meeting

Wednesday 11th December 2013 – Churchill Bar, Wadebridge

President: Mr D Walford
Chair: Mr A Jones
Vice Chair: [Position Vacant]
Hon. Secretary: Mr D Rowe
Hon. Treasurer: Mrs N Brookes

Present: Adrian Jones (chair), Dominic Walford (president, North Cornwall Advertiser & Sticky Fingers), Philip Mutton (Trebur Estates), Rachel Daniel (One Step Ahead), Tim Jones (Wadebridge Dementia Action Alliance), Tracy & Gary Doncom (Memory Lane Sweets), David Edwards (Sproull Solicitors), Scott Mann (Cornwall Council), Stephen Frankel (Carhart Mill), Pamela Starling (Wadebridge Town Council), Liz Drakeley (Kernow Chef), Steve Drakeley (Steve's Bouncy Castles), Lucy Dawe & Matt Sanders (Ann's Cottage), Mel & Fred Hardie (Artycrafts), Rob Burton & Anna Davidson (Wadebridge Bookshop), Laura Knightley (minutes)

Apologies: Steve Knightley (Cornwall Council), Richard Alexander (Alexander And Co), Steve Coom (Razor Solutions), Tony Rush (Wadebridge Town Council)

Minutes: Laura Knightley

Reminder that this meeting was held a week earlier than usual so that we could discuss any last-minute matters to do with the Christmas Shopping Weekend, and also because we felt the 18th December was just a bit too close to Christmas.

Minutes from the last meeting were read and agreed – no matters arising.

Dementia Action Alliance

Tim Jones, a voluntary co-ordinator from Wadebridge Dementia Action Alliance, came to discuss dementia and what we can do in our community to support those that suffer. The Rotary Club are very supportive of the memory cafe for the community.

We all have experience of dementia through people we know. 1 in 3 people over the age of 65 will develop dementia.

In Cornwall we lead in dementia friendly communities., leading the way are Camelford and Falmouth.

People with dementia feel that the biggest barriers to being part of a community are lack of confidence, worried about getting lost, being confused and not wanting to be a burden.

WDAA provides dementia awareness training session to local businesses. Local shops can really benefit from having the right tools to support customers with dementia. When a shop joins they will receive a Purple Angel sticker to put in their shop window. The Purple Angel is used across the country and is a recognised symbol that reassures people suffering with dementia that they are in a safe environment.

The Wadebridge Memory Cafe at St Breock School is open every 2nd and 4th Saturday between 2-4 and every 3rd Sunday at the John Betjeman Centre.

Police report

Apologies for non attendance however today was their Annual Christmas Party but we were reassured that there was police cover at Bodmin!

There have been nine recorded crimes in the last three months for the whole of the Wadebridge area. There have been a further 103 calls to police from the area.

Treasury

There is £9,000 in the bank. £3,000 is reserved for website development. The Christmas light donations of £4,876 were added from the appeal.

We paid out £2,500 for the new lights on the bridge. We have £2,400 to be carried over to next years lights budget, which means we might be able to replace the 'blue blanket' covering the area near the bandstand/co-op.

The fireworks have been paid for. We still need to pay for some of the advertising and the town hall hire.

We have £1,350 to carry forward to the new year. We will also have the new years membership subs coming in January.

We are aiming to get more retailers involved next year.

Christmas Weekend

Friday 13th and Saturday 14th there will be market stools in the town hall.

There will be music, choirs, brass bands, fair ground rides.

Santa will be coming through town on a steam engine.

Fireworks – will be being let off at 8.15.

Any Other Business

There was no other business. However, the Chamber had bought some nibbles as a small Christmas celebration, and members were encouraged to stay around and chat

Date of next meeting February 19th(then March 19th, April 16th, May 21st, June 18th July 16th, August 20th, September 17th)