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Chamber Of Trade & Commerce

Tuesday 10 February 2015 7.30pm Wellington Hotel

MINUTES OF MEETING

Present: Peter Dixon, John and Denise Tillinghast, Ross Yates, Nick Chater, Paul and Jackie Steadman, Sally and Chris Searle, Mary Buchanon, Debbie Beszant

Apologies: Sue Venning

Chairman Peter Dixon opened the meeting. The minutes of the last meeting were unavailable.

MATTERS ARISING from the last minutes will be considered at the next meeting as detailed below.

2015 MEETING DATES: 24th March, 9th June, 8th September, 10th November. The first date will include the AGM (postponed from previous advertisement) along with a small buffet which member's are encouraged to bring along any new interested people.

Please try to attend these meetings; it's your chamber of commerce, come and voice your thoughts and ideas. All meetings will be at the Wellington Hotel 7.30pm subject to the kind permission of Jon Scott.

FEEDBACK FROM FESTIVAL MEETING: Meetings so far have been positive and the festival will go ahead. New people have taken on key roles. Festival will run from the Thursday evening to Sunday evening as before, 1st to the 4th October 2015. A concern raised regarding the restricted parking on set-up of the marquees has been discussed and solutions are underway. Cornwall Council has been approached to discuss a way forward with reasonable car park charges for the spaces the marquee uses. A positive response from the cabinet member in charge of highways has suggested a joint letter regarding the cost be obtained from BCTC, Parish Council and the Festival Committee.

CAR PARK: The trial price of £250 for the permit in the Cobweb public car park is still available until 14th March. The permit allows for one vehicle for twelve months of issue.

Price increase on hourly rate from 14th March 2015 with no summer or winter differentials.

The condition of wooden structures within the car park and the general appearance of the area have deteriorated in recent months. Whilst it is the responsibility of Cornwall Council, it was

felt that in light of budget cuts there would be little hope of them funding replacements. This area may need to be undertaken by the Parish Council and will be investigated further.

PUBLIC TOILETS: From previous meetings, members are aware of Cornwall Council's intentions to close the toilets in the winter with a fear this could be extended with more budget cuts.

There have been several meetings which Ross Yates, Nick Chater and Peter Dixon have attended. Ross and Nick have put in numerous hours and effort to have reached this point in negotiations with the council and Parish Council. Tracy Menhenick, Tracy Lane De Courtin, Robin Haddy and Fred Hockin have also supported them.

At this point, it is viable for a charitable body to take over the running of the toilet building. However, until such time inward income has been received from Cornwall Council, a commitment will not be approved and currently negotiations have not been finalised. This matter will be raised at the next meeting for members to consider an onward proposal.

There is a possibility of trying for charitable status to encompass more than just the toilets and this will be investigated alongside the above proposals.

CHRISTMAS: Denise thanked Debbie for arranging Carols around the tree. Debbie is going to enquire if there are spare lights that are not required for the tree at the top of the village. We need to replace lights on the harbour tree as half of the lights burnt out last year.

FINANCE: Finance will be discussed at the next meeting AGM.



NOTICE OF
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
TUESDAY 24TH MARCH 2015 AT 7:30PM IN THE
LOUNGE OF THE WELLINGTON HOTEL
EVERYONE WELCOME

PLEASE BRING ALONG ANY POTENTIAL NEW MEMBERS TO SUPPORT THE CHAMBER BUSINESS VOLUNTEERS BY JOINING IN OR BY SIMPLY JOINING THE MEMBERSHIP AND SHOWING AN AFFILIATION.