

# **BOSCASTLE CHAMBER OF TRADE & COMMERCE**

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Tuesday 20 February 2018 Wellington Hotel**

## **MINUTES OF MEETING**

**Present:** Peter Dixon, Ross Yates, Chris Searle, Nick Chater, Roz Fentem, Claire Bailey, Mary Buchanon, Jon and Delyth Ward, Alan & Kim Jones, John Scott, Sue Webster

**Apologies:** Steve Coom, Debbie Beszant, Paul & Jackie Stedman

### **Quorum:**

The chairperson Peter Dixon notified the members that the meeting was quorate being that 8 members were presents of which 2 are from the current executive committee, therefore, the AGM continued. The membership thanked the officers and the wider membership for their dedication, hard work and goodwill over the last year.

Matters arising from the previous AGM: None.

### ***Annual report***

The chairperson gave a narrative annual report to the membership and expressed what an excellent year it had been.

### ***Inspected accounts***

The Financial Year of the BCTC starts on 1st January and end on 31st December each year. The outgoing Treasurer Chris Searle gave a narrative on the BCTC finances which a detailed statement will be sent to be audited externally of which a record will be handed to the secretary to be cascaded to all members.

### ***Membership***

Membership fees for the coming year are fixed at each Annual General Meeting on recommendations to be made by the Executive. It was recommended and voted on that the present fees continue at £25.

A reminder that subscriptions are due on 1st March and the membership secretary will notify existing members shortly which can be paid by BACS.

### ***Election of officers***

#### ***Executive Committee***

Chairperson - Peter Dixon proposed by Ross seconded by Sue

Asst Chair - Ross Yates proposed by Sue seconded by Nick  
Secretary - Sue Webster proposed by Peter seconded by Ross  
Treasurer - Chris Searle proposed by John seconded by Nick  
Membership - Ross/Jon Ward jointly proposed by Roz seconded Mary

*Co-opted: Debbie, Nick, Paul, Claire, Jon Ward*

### **2018 meeting dates:**

*The following meetings have been set for the 2018 membership at 7.30pm at The Wellington Hotel*

*Tuesday 12th June*

*Tuesday 11th September*

*Tuesday 13th November*

*Tuesday 12th February 2019 (Annual General Meeting)*

Should any additional activities or issues arise, additional meetings will be organised and publicised.

Commencement of the BCTC meeting:

Matters arising from the previous meeting: Thanks to Debbie Beszant for organising Christmas trees/lights etc

Notified business

### ***Visit Cornwall Summit***

The summit is designed to offer insight, knowledge and hands on business improvement ideas to tourism businesses. The day provided invaluable information and resources to help tourism businesses grow and develop in 2018 to ensure Cornwall's visitor economy excels further. Statistics regarding visitor numbers, stays and trends were left with those of the membership interested to delve deeper.

### ***PCSO Terry Groves***

It was with deep sadness that the membership were told of the passing of our friend and PCSO Terry Groves. Terry was a well known individual amongst the Boscastle businesses and was a PCSO living and working out of the Camelford police office for many years. He epitomises the ethos of Neighbourhood Policing - the pure intention of making it his duty to pop in and see us all in the height of summer or the depths of winter to "just check everything is alright". The membership thanked him for the passionate and professional manner in which he served our communities. Thoughts and prayers are with his family, colleagues and friends.

### ***Training: Food Safety in Catering***

Cornwall Council are hosting a level 2 award in food safety in catering training seminar on 1st March 2018 (now moved to 14<sup>th</sup> March due to adverse weather) at 9:00am until 5:00pm at The Wellington Hotel. Course costs £55 per learner and includes course fee, examination and

certificate (lunch not included). This qualification is ideal for anyone working in the catering and hospitality industry (or those about to start work in the industry). Learners gaining this qualification will know that food safety is the responsibility of everyone involved in the storage, preparation, cooking service and handling of food. The course is interactive with a variety of quizzes and discussions taking place. Call Business Regulatory Support (Cornwall Council) to book your place on 0300 1234 212 (option 2).

***Dog Warden*** – has been active and already issuing fines.

***BCIC*** – Toilets are being managed well and paying for themselves.

***Car Park*** – the National Trust will be requested to put pressure on CCC to maintain and improve the landscaping of the car parks. Still awaiting date for meeting to discuss additional parking.