



# BOSCASTLE CHAMBER OF TRADE AND COMMERCE

**Tuesday 10 June 2014 7.30pm Wellington Hotel**

## MINUTES OF MEETING

**Present:** Peter Dixon, Chris & Sally Searle, Ross Yates, John Scott, Nick Chater, John and Denise Tillinghast, Michael Parsons, Paul and Jacky Stedman, Peter and Judith Hewitt, Vince Gerrard, Sue Venning

Apologies: Margaret Pickering

### **Matters Arising from Last Meeting:**

**Countryfile** – No further progress

**Membership** – Ross reported membership was up to 42 and the chamber were pleased to welcome Peter and Judith from The Museum of Witchcraft.

Only a minor grammatical amendment was made to the Members Handbook and constitution so it was decided to adopt it; proposed by Peter, seconded by Sally and voted in favour by all members present.

**Fire Extinguishers** – a day of testing took place for members who only paid approx. £2.50 for each extinguisher to be checked. There will be a fire training day organised in November and the company also offer testing of fire alarms etc. More details can be obtained from Chris Searle.

**Website** – still to be finalised but a mock-up had been produced and showed to members present. Ross and Nick will oversee and it is hoped to be up and running after approval asap.

**Car Park and Toilets** – Nick on behalf of parish council is still trying to ascertain the whereabouts of the additional revenue produced by the increase in charges and held by CCC. The CC reported an increased in vehicle numbers.

**The Old Mill** – The first floor shop is nearly completed and interest has already been shown in renting the space.

**Food Festival** – Everything in hand for another successful event. 14 chefs booked 4 of which have Michelin stars, There is a waiting list for stalls. They have secured generous sponsorship which is very much appreciated. Tickets are on sale for the Military Wives concert costing £12 to include pasty and tea.. It was suggested the Festival build up a contingency fund mainly to protect the event and admonish individuals from financial responsibility.

**Flood Anniversary** – Minster Church will be holding a flower festival and concert over the weekend anniversary on 16/17 August. The Chamber had been invited to create a flower arrangement. Sally kindly offered to do a display.

**Christmas** – Debbie Bezant will be asked to liaise with the school re carol service around the tree so that dates do not clash. A tree will be put up at the top of the village but the parish council will be approached re creating a better hole for it and Denise will investigate buying lights for it which will be looked after by Nick Holmes.

Visit Cornwall – Chris attended a recent meeting when it was reported that bookings were down for self-catering establishments and this could be due to a number of reasons. Also interest from overseas visitors was down.

Next Meeting – 9 SEPTEMBER