

KINGSBRIDGE & SALCOMBE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Minutes of Committee Meeting;

Date: 4 th September 2019		Venue & Time: Quay House, Kingsbridge, 17.45hrs
Present: Rebecca Weare (in the chair) Peter Richardson Cllr Anne Balkwill Cllr Nikki Turton Carol Horton Steve Mammatt Jackie Smith James Spencer DC Cllr Rufus Gilbert SHDC Cllr Mark Long	In Attendance: Katharine Harrod – Secretary Kevin Moore – Part Meeting	Apologies: Cllr Anne Balkwill Samantha Dennis Catherine Gillen Raymond Hayes

[REF 2019/20 MINUTES](#)

022 WELCOME & APOLOGIES

023 AGREE MINUTES OF LAST COMMITTEE:

The minutes of 3rd July 2019 were agreed without alteration.

024 Invited Guest: Kevin Moore Axle Tramps

KM wanted to thank everyone for the support given to the car show which ended up with over 130 vehicles and brought over 1,000 people to the town for the event.

Re takings, as a club they were slightly out of profit but assured the committee they would not be asking for any additional monies.

Approaches are being currently being made to the DC to ascertain how much it would cost to hire more of the car park, but it is expected that this would be cost prohibitive.

An alternate consideration would be to close off Fore Street for the day and/or have a show of all the vehicles around the one-way system in the town. It would visually be a spectacular event. SHDC have confirmed that there would be no problem with closing the road and the costs are significantly less. The original objective was to bring people to the town on a Bank Holiday Monday and clearly this has been achieved.

25th May 2020 financial implications have yet to be considered. The preference is to move the event to Fore Street.

KM will come to the January Business Club at South Sands (TBC) to present to the members.

025 MATTERS ARISING:

1. We're waiting to hear from KCC re the Associate Membership offer.
2. Watermarking/securing the overhead projector – PR has insured the equipment under an All Risks policy and will review this when it falls due for renewal.
3. Brewery Quay press release was issued. On a positive note the housing will be subject to a principle residence clause. SHDC have looked at the options for further appeal but nothing can be done unless it can be proven that the owners are not residing in the properties on a permanent basis. Noted that social media coverage surpassed expectation and could be used in the future to spread awareness of any similar issues that may require input.

026 2019 PRIMARY GOALS:

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- Increased Membership: 168 Members at present, Malborough Village Hall have joined and would like to hold an event to showcase what they can offer our Members. Suggestions for events include a charity quiz night and Christmas bingo. KH will investigate options. **ACTION: KH**
- Business Clubs & Other Events
 - Dates for the Diary: 19th September Buckland Tout Saints.
16th October – A Call to Lead, Thurlestone Hotel
October date TBC, South Hams Indoor Bowls & Quiz night
14th November – Youth Awards
21st November – Kitley House Business Club
January 2020 – South Sands Business Club
March 2020 – Thurlestone Golf Club Business Club
 - Speaker Suggestions: KCC Careers Fair & KCC, Kingsbridge Fair Week Presentation in January, South Devon College Apprentices.
- Youth & Business Achievement Awards 2019: A full update will be provided after the next work group meeting.

027 COMMUNICATIONS & PROJECTS (inc. relevant planning applications):

- Devon & Plymouth Chamber of Commerce Meeting. Helen Hart of D&PCC has been in touch as new Head of Member Services to engage with local chambers to identify how they can best work with and support them where possible. HH will attend the Buckland Business Club. Details of a session at Exeter Racecourse on 17th September will be forwarded to Members.
- No relevant planning had been identified for discussion at this meeting.

028 TREASURERS REPORT

CURRENT CASH POSITION:

Bank Current Account:		£8,913.60
Includes:	Jack Tanner Award	(£508.64)
	Modbury Funds	(£1,658.34)
Net:		£6,746.62
Plus, Deposit Account:		£3,166.39
	TOTAL:	£9,913.01

- The KSCC have contributed £300 to Salcombe Live
- Modbury have used £449 of their funds to equip most of the stalls at the Barrow Market with gazebos making the market look much more attractive and of course providing protection from rain.

029 KINGSBRIDGE COMMUNICATIONS/NEWS:

1. **Town Council:** Public consultation events to take place re the proposed hotel in Kingsbridge. There will be an online feedback event plus events in the town. The lifeboat event is on 21st September and will take place early due to the tide times. This is also the date for the vintage bus day. The Kingsbridge 800 celebration will be announced and promoted at the Kingsbridge Show.
2. **Information Centre:** The Information Centre has had a successful summer, increased profit on sales and increased number of people through the day. The team are looking forward to an even better September!
3. **Traders:** No further update

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4. **Kingsbridge in Bloom/Leanne Carr Marketing:** Following the judging in July KIB were given over half of page 3 in the Western Morning News as well as copy in a range of other publications. A letter of support from KSCC has been sent re their nomination for a Queens Award for Voluntary Service.

030 SALCOMBE COMMUNICATIONS/NEWS:

1. **Town Council:** Salcombe Neighbourhood Plan was passed with 93% acceptance at referendum. SHDC have put in planning re commercial units at Whitestrand.
The parking dispensation permit went out in August, carers will finally be given dispensation to park nearer their customers. The current system is terribly abused by local tradespeople and requires change. The outcome of the consultation is due shortly.
The refuse contractor has provided an appalling level of service and will be talking with the council. During Regatta week there was filming in Salcombe by a BBC production company, no information is known re dates for scheduling.
2. **Information Centre:** SIC have had a good year with a lot of use of the information centre. There has been a visible uplift in day visitors although noted that the withdrawal of weekly parking permits has had an impact. They thank KSCC for the donation of £300 re the Salcombe Live weekend, the event runs from 11th – 13th October and is designed to bring people into the town at an otherwise quiet time of year.

031 MODBURY COMMUNICATIONS/NEWS

1. **Parish Council:** No update provided.
2. **Information Centre:** No update provided.
3. **Modbury Membership Numbers:** We continue to seek new Modbury Members.

032 AOB

1. Bartons have been listed nationally by the Law Society on the shortlist for excellence for client service.
2. The train shed has been erected and awaits a coat of paint.
3. Devon Partnerships have been in touch re a networking event at the Village Inn on 29th October at a cost of approximately £18 per head. RW is attending a similar event next week and will advise if this is the type of meeting we should be promoting.
4. Recyclable caddy bags being used as envelopes. Would the KSCC consider producing something similar? Amanda Keetley is talking at the next Business Club, we will discuss with her at that time.
5. Cllr Mark Long provided a brief introduction and was welcomed by all.

MEETING ENDS 18.52 Hrs

DATES FOR THE DIARY:

The 2019 KSCC Meeting dates are: 6th November.

Work Group meeting dates (if required) are 2nd October and 4th December.

All meetings commence at 17.45hrs and are held at Quay House, Kingsbridge.

Signed as a true record: _____

Print Name & Date: _____

Agenda Items and Updates; where possible please could these be submitted to Katharine Harrod by the 3rd Wednesday in the month to ensure time for inclusion, circulation and study. If a Committee Member is unable to attend a meeting it would be appreciated if they could submit a brief précis of progress on their actions, if applicable, (to Mrs Katharine Harrod for distribution) together with their apologies.