KINGSBRIDGE & SALCOMBE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE Minutes of Committee Meeting;

Date: 4 th March 2020		Venue & Time: Quay House, Kingsbridge, 17.45hrs	
Present:	In Attendance:		Apologies:
Rebecca Weare (in the chair)	Katharine Harrod – Secretary		
Peter Richardson			Cllr Anne Balkwill
Sarah Burnett			Catherine Gillen
Samantha Dennis			Jackie Smith
DCC Cllr Rufus Gilbert			Alex Thomson
Carol Horton			SHDC Cllr Mark Long
James Spencer			
Cllr Nikki Turton			
Steve Mammat			

REF 2019/20 MINUTES

001 WELCOME & APOLOGIES

Raymond Hayes has recently advised that with immediate effect he is standing down from his position on the KSCC Committee after many years. Raymond has nominated Alex Thompson of Bartons to join the committee, Alex joined us at a working meeting in February and we look forward to welcoming him again at future meetings. We thank Raymond for everything he has done for the KSCC and we look forward to continuing to work with him in the future.

002 AGREE MINUTES OF LAST COMMITTEE:

The minutes of 7th January 2020 were agreed without alteration.

003 MATTERS ARISING:

All details contained later in the minutes

004 2019 PRIMARY GOALS:

- Update re February Meeting: A meeting was held to commence the process of approving KSCC goals and structure as part of the formulation of a long-term strategy.
 - The Committee recognise the need to ask all Members for their feedback in respect of their Membership and what they feel would be most beneficial to both themselves and the surrounding area. A survey will be issued to all to obtain feedback. This will be raised at the next business club with the survey being launched the following day. **ACTION: KH**
- There is discussion to be had regarding the economic impact of factors such as the climate emergency and coronavirus, the macro economics of which need to be considered.
 - Where do we expect our economy to be "X" years from now, what do we need to achieve to provide the best support and assistance? Connectivity to the area be it physical or virtual is essential. This is a huge topic that requires serious attention.
 - The KSCC will arrange an open forum titled along the lines of: What will the future of business look like in the South Hams following the economic impact of factors such as the climate emergency and Coronaviris. This will take place late April following the Easter break. **ACTION: KH**
- Increased Membership:
 - Membership has taken a slight dip, mainly through closure of the business or pending sale, this is a cyclical issue and not one to be concerned about. We have 167 Members and have identified a number of potential new Members following recent communications. As of today, we welcomed Salcombe Yacht Club as Members.
- Business Clubs & Other Events
 - Dates for the Diary:
 - o March 18th, The Cottage Hotel, HR Briefing by Helena White The HR Dept

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Helena White will be asked to come to the next Business Club to provide a brief regarding Coronavirus. An article will be issued to the Gazette about the Business Club. **ACTION: KH**

- March 19th, Thurlestone Golf Club Business Club: Speakers Carol Horton, Stuart Barrett and Scot Baston.
- o April: Quiz night Malborough Village Hall date TBA
- May: Business Club, date TBA
- o June AGM, Bartons (Graham Price invited to speak as per Jan minutes).
- o May, September & November Business Clubs to be agreed.
- Plus, on the events page we have first aid courses and the monthly breakfast meetings.

A short discussion took place regarding advertising events in the Gazette, this could be included in the business pages. KH to speak with the Gazette for costings etc. **ACTION: KH**

005 COMMUNICATIONS & PROJECTS (Inc. relevant planning applications):

 Youth & Business Achievement Awards 2020 – Despite our efforts the difficult decision was taken to cancel the event due to take place on 19th March. All those involved have now been informed and sponsorship monies are being returned.

However, on a positive note, it was agreed that the nominations would be reviewed and the awards would be presented at the AGM on 11th June with a view to using this event annually to recognise the young people and businesses in the area who contribute to building a successful community. **ACTION:**KH

006 TREASURERS REPORT

CURRENT CASH POSITION:

Bank Current Account:		£11,456.43
Includes:	Jack Tanner Award	(£508.64)
	Modbury Funds	(£1,825.34)
Net:		£9,122.45
Plus, Deposit Account:		£3,169.55
	TOTAL:	£12,292.00

- A draft budget had been distributed prior to the meeting. JSp proposed that the budget preparation continues as per previous years, seconded RW. PR to provide a full budget proposal for the next meeting.
- Jack Tanner Award: A discussion was held regards how we find the young adults who are not in education, employment or training as they are the people this award is intended for. SB provided some information regards Careers Unlimited. SB to forward further details. ACTION: SB
- It was agreed to run the Easter competition for 2020, the continuity of this event will be dependent on the long-term strategy currently under review.

007 KINGSBRIDGE COMMUNICATIONS/NEWS:

- 1. Town Council: No update
- 2. Kingsbridge Traders: No update
- 3. **Kingsbridge Information Centre:** Samantha Dennis expressed disappointment that Kinsgbridge's nearest hotel is closing. Kingsbridge now has only one bed and breakfast with more than two rooms. Accommodation in the town is now restricted to Air BnB's and self-catering properties. Overnight, serviced accommodation, for groups, those wishing to stay just one night, or on a budget is not available.
- 4. **Kingsbridge in Bloom:** No update.

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008 SALCOMBE COMMUNICATIONS/NEWS:

- 1. **Town Council:** STC will be forwarding a submission for donation towards a Hawk handler. The Brewery Quay application has been resubmitted and the plans have been altered from a six-bed property to four flats, STC have again objected to the application.
- 2. Information Centre: No update.

009 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.

010 AOB

- 1. VE day: The Cookworthy Museum are having an event details to be obtained. The British Legion are holding an afternoon/evening event. There will also be wreath laying at the War Memorial at 11am
- 2. The 2020 Kingsbridge Food and Music festival will proceed, this is very positive news for the area.
- 3. Anna Ventura of the Tidal Gallery is updating the Town Map, details of this will be included in the 2020 budget.

MEETING ENDS 19.15 Hrs

DATES FOR THE DIARY:

The 2019 KSCC Meeting dates are: 6th May, 1st July, 2nd September & 4th November.

NB: The first Wednesday of all alternate months is booked for work group meetings and any additional meetings the committee may deem necessary.

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.