

Draft - The Minutes of the first A G M of Brixham Future CIC held on the 8th Nov 2017 at 730pm in `Old Coaching Inn` 61 Fore Street, Brixham.

Present

Brixham Future Board: Chair -Richard Murray Smith, Treasurer- Frances Robinson, Cllr. Jill Regan, & John Brennan.

Apologies from Board: John Rudden, Cllr. Ian Carr, Nigel Wood, Martyn Green & Cllr. Paul Addison

Guests: Mayor Gordon Oliver, Cllr Haddock, Sally Guest (Brixham Community Partnership), Ann Bruce (TCDT-Community Builder) and Malwyn Evans (Brixham Rotary)

Apologies from others:

Cllr. Jackie Stockman, Cllr. Rosemary Clark, Cllr. Jessica Stocks, Cllr. David Giles.

Izzie Lomas; Claire Rudman; Mona Stocks; Chris Slack; Emma Seaman; Dave Hogget; Mona Stock; Malcolm Beauchamp; Roy Williams; Alan McCarthy; Sue Swallow; Robin Mallieu; Pat Thomas; Nigel Bowden; Stephen White; Laura Jury and Veronica Carroll.

Proceedings

Chair welcomed everyone. Unfortunately our AGM clashed with the Brixham Festival of Remembrance at St. Mary`s Church. We therefore anticipate a low turn-out. He went on to highlight key points in his report attached which had been circulated to all. He also covered the points in the attached Secretary`s Report. He detailed the projects that we were currently undertaking as per the Project Report attached. He then asked the gathering if there were any further questions.

Cllr. Richard Haddock asked for an update on the planning issues surrounding Churchill Gardens. John Brennan outlined the history and progress of the project. Frances Robinson said we would be submitting a Planning Application shortly. Cllr. Haddock was very keen that the celebration of D-Day 75th Anniversary should proceed and that the Mayor was also behind the project.

The Treasurer presented her report and highlighted the key points in the report attached. She pointed out that we have received as yet unspent grant of £2K from Brixham Council. Our only expenditure had been the Accountants fees of £130 to date. The Accounts presented had previously been approved by the Board and would be updated to the 30th November as our official yet end. No changes were anticipated. The draft set of Accounts was circulated and no issues raised by people.

Speakers

Richard Haddock

He congratulated Brixham Future on the progress to date. He said that Torbay and Brixham Council were keen to work together with Community Groups to address the challenges that £60 M in funding cuts had imposed upon Torbay.

Nevertheless there were a number of key road infrastructure projects that were being progressed. The `Windy Corner` road improvement scheme would now be delayed until next year but had been

fully funded. Further road improvements were due along the dual carriageway leading into Brixham from Paignton which would result in a year of traffic disruption.

He also pointed out that a number of other local projects had been approved including new housing and a new Pier at Oxon Cove. Torbay Council would also continue to look at town centre regeneration.

Mayor Gordon Oliver

The Mayor updated the AGM on a number of areas.

He mentioned that Torbay Council would shortly be celebrating Napoleon's visit to Torbay with a ceremony at Berry Head which he hoped we could all attend.

He confirmed the Torbay Air-show had been secured for 3 years and would be on the 3RD and 4TH of June. The subsequent year 2019 would co-inside with the same month as the D-Day celebrations.

The Mayor highlighted the potential importance of the American and Chinese markets to the Torbay tourism industry. He mentioned the benefits of `linking up` with Plymouth on a number of joint ventures to promote heritage such as `Mayflower 2020`. He suggested we look to a comprehensive 3 year programme.

There followed a general discussion.

The Chair thanked everyone especially our 2 speakers for their contributions. The Mayor and Cllr. Haddock were presented with their own `Brixham Future CIC` mug.

The meeting was drawn to a close at 9.30pm.