

**PRESTEIGNE CHAMBER OF TRADE, COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
MEETING HELD AT THE DUKES 4<sup>TH</sup> OCT 2010**

Present: Rosamund Black, Eddie Taylor, David Critchley,  
Mrs. Wood, Tony Wood, Jenni Simpson,  
James Tennant-Eyles, Ann Wake, Malcolm Davidson Paul Charles, Barry Meredith, Paula  
Bowen

Apologies: Debra Oswald, Judy Ridgeman

**MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

1. The Minutes of the last Meeting were agreed and approved.

**2. MATTERS ARISING**

On behalf of the Committee, Rosamund thanked Mrs. Wood for her donation of £50 which is greatly appreciated.

**May Fun DayShow:**

Eddie will be meeting up with Mike Haynes to establish what Mike's feeling are towards the organisation of future shows.

**Youth Centre Project:**

James reported that he has submitted reports and that there will be a Board Meeting at the beginning November. Although he still does not have a definite answer, there are signs that there will be a positive response. He has received some interesting ideas from some of our local children and they appear to be extremely keen for this project to go ahead.

**Parking Restrictions**

At the earlier PACT Meeting Paula had conveyed Ann Wake's concerns with regard to parking restrictions that had been highlighted in our previous Minutes. It was arranged that PSCO Rob Smith would visit Ann to gain more details.

Jenni stated that at the PACT Meeting it had been disclosed that during the month of November there would be some 'marked' and some 'unmarked' police cars operating in our area. This was being statistics driven - and drivers that are stopped will have their vehicle thoroughly checked to ensure that they comply with all the current regulations. Additional intermittent speed controls will also be implemented to encourage drivers to keep within the speed limits.

Powys is also operating a scheme called 'Drive On' a one hour driving assessment aimed at helping mature drivers in Powys to drive safely for as long as they are fit to do so. The scheme will cost £10 if you are aged 55-64 or it is totally free if you are 65 years or over. For further information please contact the Road Safety Unit on 01597-826637.

Chamber's Annual Insurance Renewal:

Rosamund had discussed three renewal insurance proposals with James. The quote they favoured (at a cost of £850) covers all our requirements, including Public Liability (covering our Christmas Lights during all the Christmas period). It also includes cover for our current events plus additional ones that we may introduce. James to supply Rosamund with a risk assessment list for the insurance company to ensure that there are no grey areas or misunderstandings.

James thanked Rosamund for all her very hard work in examining other insurance possibilities and her dedication to this task.

Updating our website: James to show Paula how to put our Minutes on our website. Mutually convenient date to be arranged.

Arts and Crafts Exhibition: This had proved to be very successful and several members of the Committee thanked Rosamund for the exceptionally high standard achieved. Having visited the Exhibition myself at St. Andrews and again at Rosamund's shop, I have to say that it really was a treat!

Rosamund said that she would be arranging advertising leaflets for the Christmas Arts and Crafts Exhibition and asked if the Committee wish her to advertise our Christmas Fair?

The Committee was in general agreement to this idea and that the COT would contribute one-third towards the costs.

### 3. TREASURER'S REPORT

David reported as follows:

Sept. Current Account £1,332.31  
Savings Account: £36

The current account figure includes another annual subscription and Mrs. Wood's donation.

James has furnished David with annual subscription details and David will now follow this up. David said that he valued James' assistance and thanked him for his help.

### 4. CHRISTMAS FAIR

James suggested that Rosamund contact the Town Council as soon as possible for the usual £1,500 grant towards the above event. (£500 of which is retained by them for the use of the cherry picker.)

A lengthy discussion took place on the merits of Christmas Trees and/or the original decorations which were unique and specially handcrafted for last year's fair.

Tony proposed Christmas Trees, but Ann proposed an amendment to his proposal that we use a combination of Christmas Trees and the unique Presteigne decorations. This proposal was seconded by Jenni. 8 Committee members voted for this and the amendment was carried.

Barry volunteered to help with the Christmas Trees.

For other items relating to this year's Christmas Fair, please see attached Action Sheet.

#### 5. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

This will take place on Monday, 1st November at The Farmers Arms at 7.30 p.m.