

DEREHAM CHAMBER OF TRADE & COMMERCE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD LARKING & GOWEN OFFICES, DEREHAM MONDAY 16th JUNE 2008

Present: Ian Philpott (chair)
Claude Doy
Steven Rudd
Jan Jefferies
Stephen Cross

Apologies: Peter Streek, Geoff Jennings

Minutes of previous meeting agreed and signed

Matters Arising	<p>Planning – ‘Mr Shoes’ change of use to A1 agreed by Breckland but with restrictions limiting use to sale of carpets.</p> <p>Cycle Track – IP had written concerning this matter and raised various points including possible pedestrian crossing at Crown Road, potential risk with Fire Station</p> <p>Interchange – IP responded and made various points, Chamber does not want to see Market Place pedestrianised. Further consideration of location of disabled parking – location of Market Traders vans etc.</p>
Correspondence	<p>Archant reporter had spoken to IP and both EDP & DFT had reported on this – IP had been very positive about the prospects of the town.</p> <p>DAP re Xmas lights. Chamber agreed to give donation of £1000 for xmas lights but only if lights go ahead. SRC to write and suggest that DAP should also look to providing brackets for xmas trees for each shop – each shop could then have their own tree even if the town, as a whole, did not have a display.</p>
Planning	<p>Nothing to report</p> <p>LDF – Chamber would support development but infrastructure must be in place first.</p> <p>Vehicular access at Neathered. SRC to write to NCC concerned that if LDF is confirmed this route could become a ‘Rat Run’ to any development near DTFC.</p>
Treasurers Report	<p>Balance £2318.26 – account for hire of hall to be paid but no invoice to date.</p>

Website IP to try to get his secretary to do some work on this

Membership Nothing to report in absence of GJ

A.O.B. IP suggested that the Chamber should try to get shops to have a late night opening in the run up to xmas say 7/8 weeks. This would allow those working in Norwich to shop in Dereham, currently most businesses close at 5.30. A letter to be prepared by IP and once agreed to be delivered to all retailers. SC & SR agreed to do this.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 7.00pm

Next meeting 21st July 2008
Larking and Gowen, Tavern Lane