**Chamber meeting/Christmas & Royal Cornwall Show discussion**

Meeting date: 6th October

Location: Little Gin Shack

Attending;

Caroline New - Impress51

Neil Roberts - Little Gin Shack

Sammi Smith - Wadebridge Computers

Helen - Kilncraft

Victoria - Wave 7 Gallery

Tom and Gemma - Dollies Cafe

Maggie and John - Whitegoose

Drew - Connect Church

Graham - Kernow Fireworks & Bricknell Toys

Darren - Continuum

Paul and Erica - Winifred & Mabel

Kirsty - Molesworth & Wadebridge Carnival

Mark Godfrey - Overlook Photography

Stuart - Stuart Robertson Jewellers

Barry - Barry Rowe Fine Jewellers

Lindsay - Linterior

Jacqueline - Estuary Records

Dave and Susie - Old Tea House

Tony Carter - Kernow Locksmiths

Lisa - WOW Wadebridge

Robin Moorcroft - Cornwall Council

Nigel Davey - Davey Electrical

Apologies received from Mish & Tracey Riley

Caroline – Started the meeting for thanking everyone who turned up.

Everyone who attended introduced themselves and explained which business or organisations they are associated with

1. **Christmas in Wadebridge**

The meeting was based around people discussing Christmas possibilities & ideas:

* 3rd December late night shopping
* Treasure trail to included shop window displays. Download treasure trail sheets from the Visit Wadebridge website.
* Pam at Dixon’s has offered brass band to play.
* Fireworks – to be organised by Graham and his team at Kernow Fireworks. To help the chamber out as it has not be running and collecting money he will do at cost.
* Suggestion to ask the vocal group The Shipwrecks to sing, maybe on the Platt or in Polmorla Walk?
* Caroline New will draft a letter to go to all supermarkets to see if they can help towards costings, Barry Rowe volunteered to help get these letters out.
* Suggestions for grants/funding - Town council, WREN and Robin Moorcroft
* Idea from Maggie to have collection buckets to be borrowed from carnival for shops to collect towards fireworks – ONLY IN SHOPS.
* A list will be made where they are collecting and signs to be made for buckets.
* Ask pirate fm to join us.
* Raffle to win plunging the fireworks to start.
* Kirsty is asking around regarding Santa. (Update - Kirstie has found a Santa who will come and walk around town on 3rd December)
* Helen from Kilncraft suggested a flier that lists everything that is going on just if people ask.

Once date is set for lights to go up, Nigel and his team will need help whether its helping with traffic or providing tea and coffee.

It was agreed that Chamber Membership will be started up again - to be sent out in the next week to all previous members. This will run from November 20121 - December 2022.

An email will be sent to all that attended to summarise the ideas & asking for volunteers & any other suggestions.

**2. Royal Cornwall Show**

* Lindsay is currently locating quotes as some companies no longer trading.
* 12 spaces filled with 8 still free, she will be posting to Facebook to fill these on first come first served basis. Details to follow.
* All stall holders will need to be members
* Nigel to give a quote for electrics.
* Victoria Mead is investigating insurance for the Chamber

Caroline thanked everyone that attended and appealed for more committee members and people to assist with the Christmas event.

Thanks go to Neil Roberts for hosting the meeting and supplying the refreshments.