

Seaton Chamber

Meeting Minutes – 21st March 2023
Pebbles Coffee House, Marine Place

Apologies from Jonny & Ilse Cook, Shaheda Rupa, Sue Howse, Steve Waite, Shane & Becky Brown, Peter Burrows, Sophie Wilson, Tim Chew

Present - On the Exec. Committee, James Tribble, Carl Northcott, Anna Leggett, Tom Preston, Eleanor Carr, Richard Betts

1. **Welcome from Carl.** Opening words explaining that the group was still forming and have used the first few months to organise structure and purpose. Hope to officially launch to membership in Q2. Lots of work has started in the background. Still looking to add more participants as the structure and responsibilities take shape.
 2. **Matters Arising from last meeting** – none recorded
 3. **Register of attendees** – passed around register
 4. **Where are we at? Mission Statement, Structure.**
 - Richard Betts read through the agreed mission statement and structure documents that were circulated with the agenda.
 - Richard Betts reiterated that the Chamber were looking to fill some of the blue boxes with names.
 5. **Community Interest Company Status** – Anna Leggett read through the proposal for the Seaton Chamber to become a CIC. No objections received. (notes attached for reference).
 6. **'The Grizzly' questionnaire feedback** – Eleanor Carr read through the notes (attached on email for reference)
 7. **Carl Northcott** updated us all on the **status of some current Chamber projects;**
 - Bus stops – some success in agreeing to locate/relocate bus stops around the roundabout in front of pebbles with the county council.
 - Bid for public toilets on Underfleet and Marsh Road; meeting with EDDC went well. Have been invited to re submit bid by end of May with additional details.
 - Moridunum – EDDC will be marketing for sale shortly. Seaton Chamber may bid. No objections received.
- Sean Taylor** updated us all on progress to date with the **Stop Line Way** and joining up some missing areas. More volunteers needed and suggestions for other interested parties to approach.
8. **Cheryl Wood** spoke about the upcoming Council elections and the need for more nominations. Also about some local Seaton Town Council events over next few months. Richard Betts circulated this information to contacts on 27th March 2023.

Actions Noted;

1. Send grizzly survey notes to contacts – Richard Betts
2. Circulate STC events and council election details – Richard Betts
3. Send email to other retailers about Coronation opening – Emma Grigg
4. Form a 'Grizzly Group' associated with the Seaton Chamber to brain storm, plan and deliver actions for 2024 – Eleanor Carr
5. Electric charging points – Orchard car park are not working and the general feeling is we want more – Richard Betts to enquire
6. Send Seaton Town Council stop line way actions – Sean Taylor

Next Meeting: Wednesday 26th April 6.30pm start at Pebbles Coffee House and will focus on Retail/Shopfronts