

Seaton Chamber Zoom Meeting Minutes

Date: October 3, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM

Attendees:

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Steve Waite

Tom Gladstone

Anna Legget

Eleanor Carr

Car Northcott (chair)

1. Approval of Previous Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were reviewed and approved without amendments.

2. Finalizing the Questionnaire

Discussion: The questionnaire for public engagement was reviewed. It was agreed that Carl would print all the responses he has received via email from Richard and pass them to Tom Gladstone.

Collation: Tom, with the copies he already has in his shop, will give all the responses to Penny at Natural Works for collating a generic response.

Actions: Carl to print the responses and hand them to Tom by [date], and Tom to coordinate with Penny for the next steps.

3. Christmas Lights Switch-On Event

Update: Emma and James were absent from the meeting, so the decision was made to put their items on hold.

Street Traders: Eleanor raised the need to follow up on street trader consent forms and any other requirements related to street traders.

Electrics: A report was provided confirming that the new electrics have been installed for the lights by STC. A follow-up is needed to ensure everything is in proper working order. (now done)

Food Stalls: Discussions took place about contacting Tim Chew, Ragini and a donut vendor that Eleanor knows. A meeting with Eleanor, James, and Emma is still needed to finalize these details.

Actions: Carl to follow up with Eleanor and arrange a meeting with James and Emma by next week

4. Toilets Bid Update

Subcommittee Formation: It was agreed to form a subcommittee to lead the strategy for the toilet bid. The subcommittee will be led by Eleanor, with support from Anna, Carl, and Jackie.

Fundraising Strategy: The subcommittee will strategize on how to raise funding, focusing on a period from the middle of November to the middle of December.

Next Meeting: The subcommittee will arrange their next meeting soon to start planning.

Actions: Eleanor to coordinate with the subcommittee and arrange the next meeting by next week

5. Seaton Seafront Bus Stop Project

Update: There was discussion about the Seaton seafront bus stop project, Carl agreed to contact street scenes for an update

6. Any Other Business

Insurance for Stalls: Members were reminded that all stallholders need to provide proof of insurance.

Volunteer Recruitment: Additional volunteers are needed for event setup and breakdown.

Action: Carl Northcott to create a call-out for volunteers by mid-October

Ilse to Submit her Questionnaire and Bio for next month also leading Xmas traders Xmas presents promotion

Tom G wants Chamber to support new promotor Devon soul, that was agreed.

Eleanor has registered Chamber with "Dice" organization

Ditto with Cultural Devon

Have we any suggestions for someone that can sell Holly and roasted chestnuts? Lions SFC?

Eleanor has suggested that we should be pushing the message out that businesses need to register on Seaton.Gov website Ask Sonder to do that for us?

The first Seaton Market was a great success, Chamber to further assist with PR and advertising.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled last Wednesday in October