

The Worthing Chamber of Commerce and Industry Ltd
81st Annual General Meeting
held at The Dome, Marine Parade, Worthing on Wednesday 8th May 2019

Present:

Jonathan	Nulty	4Below Productions	Simon	Pilbeam	A & F Pilbeam Construction Ltd
Tony	Hedger	A & T Business Associates Limited	Martin	Randall	Adur and Worthing Councils
Liz	Miles	Aldingbourne Trust Work Aid	Sharon	Horton	Aldingbourne Work Aid
Tony	Candler	Anthony Candler & Associates	Alastair	Vickers	ANV
Andrew	Dalglish	Ayres Bright Vickers	Patt	Fallon	Bald designs Ltd
Marc	flinders	Brookland Go Karts	Moona	Flinders	Brookland Go Karts
Grant	Baker	C2C Growth Hub	Antonia	Shepherd	Care for Veterans
Chris	Coopey	Carpenter Box	Rebecca	Tonks	Coast 2 Capital
Caroline	Wood	Coastal West Sussex Director	Dave	Bone	Conxdigital Ltd
Claire	Thompson	DeScribe Translations	Kip	Parker	Easit
Paul	Fender	ECE Architecture	Peter	Webb	Electronic Temperature Instruments
Emma	Waterer	Expert Virtual Assistant Services	Roger	Keys	FAB Racing / BEK Wholesale
Jacqui	Moorhouse	Facilitator and Trainer	Gillian	Fielding	Fielding Financial
Plamem	Enchev	Fine Digital Ltd	Julian	Cioffi	Fitzhugh Gates Solicitors
Garry	Ettridge	Garry Ettridge	Elaine	Crees	Gemini Print Group
Suzanne	Heaven	Gemini Print Group	Anne	Feldberg	Greater Brighton Metropolitan College
Helen	Tidball	Guildcare	Sally	Neil-Smith	Heaton House Care Home
Sue	Lamb	Heaton House Care Home	Francesca	Wetherilt	Here & Now
Frances	Wetherilt	Here & Now Media Ltd	Hazel	Thorpe	Incoming Mayor
Sandra	Crathern	Innavision	Tony	Lelliott	Instinction
Janet	de Buriatte	JAN – IT	Steve	Gallagher	Jumpstart
Chay	Took	Kreston Reeves	Suzy	Bastable	Lancing Business Park Ltd
Kate	Honey	Mint Design Studio	Martin	Braddy	MLB Associates
Mark	Owen	mocha furniture Ltd	Morgan	Andrews	Morgisbord Media Ltd
Phil	Bristow	Nsure	Paul	Hopwood	Paul Hopwood Consulting Limited
Chris	Huxham	PHH Accountancy Limited	Matt	Pedder	PHH Accountancy Limited
Matt	Hibbert	PHH Accountancy Limited	Kathie	Crane	Prosperon Networks Ltd
Janet	Scott	Recruitment Sorted	Nicky	Thurner	Ropetackle Arts
Bryan	Turner	Rotary Club of Worthing	Val	Turner	Rotary Club of Worthing
Keith	Gallis	Seagull Travel	Kelly	O'Haire	Seaside Creative Ltd
Martin	Bloomfield	Seaside Creative Ltd	Neil	Budgen	Seriously Sorted Ltd
Stephen	Elston-Mendonces	SGS Glass Products	Jaime	Medina	Sisoco Partners
Paul	Stanford	Stanford Wills	Leon	Ruward	Sussex Year End Accountants Limited
Sheryl	Tipton	Tipton Marketing & PR	Lucy	Knowles	Turning Tides
Patrick	Woodward	Voiceovers, audio production	Martin	Linaker	Unity Insurance Services
Tracie	Davey	WACCI	Anne	Shrieves	Woodstock Day Nursery
Lauren	Martin-Grievesson	WACCI	Tina	Tilley	WACCI
Kevin	Jenkins	Worthing Borough Council	Phil	Duckett	Worthing Pier Events
Alan	Jones	Worthing Symphony Orchestra	Pamela	Kent	Worthing Theatres & Museum
Sarah	Coopey				

Apologies were received from the following:

Adrian	Moss	Business Initiatives	Helen	Vane	Go Gecko
Stephen	Hobbs	Warnes Projects	Martin	Smith	Martin Smith Learning & Development
Debbie	Ross	Chichester College	Tim	Loughton	MP
Peter	Bottomley	MP	Emily	McCunn	McCunn Marketing
Andy	Willems	Adur & Worthing Council	Andrew	Swayne	Ricardo
Pamela	Bicknell	1976	Andrew	Matthews	ajmphotos
Michael	Heawood	Audio Note	Laura	Itchfield	Aurum IP
Ian	Macara	Bennett Griffin Solicitors	Debbie	Mason	Caring4Sussex magazine
Colin	Cooper	Cooper Creative Design	Marcus	Farrell	Empire Construction Group
Chris	Asaipillai	Equiniti	Valerie	Keys	FAB Racing / BEK Wholesale
Phil	Harris	FRP Advisory LLP	Patricia	Burgess	GB Met
Jean	Young	Genie Travel	Noel	Atkins	Heene Community Centre
Tony	Carter	Holidays and Homes	Tony	Charles	It's Magic Time
Suzanne	Sullivan	Jelly Digital Marketing	Fran	Asaipillai	Leap
Helena	Atkins	MET	Paul	Parham	Must Have Property Ltd

Yongyi	Neathercoat	Neathercoat Financial Planning	Sonny	Cutting	Network Xpress
Isabel	Simoos-Spavins	Porto's Flowers	Kayla	Shepherd	Safety Mode Ltd
Stephanie	Young	saydesignUK	Steve	Mant	SJM Electrical Services Ltd
Wendy	Bardsley	St Barnabas House	Zia-ul	Islam	St barnabas House
Diana	Saine	Staff Now	Thomas	Lawrence	Tennyson Suite
Sophie	Moore	Turning Tides	Paul	Ollerton	ViiSana
Lisa	Ollerton	Viisana Ltd	Clive	Spring	yohoo creative

1. Apologies

Chris Coopey mentioned that there were a number of apologies and that they should be noted.

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes of the 80th Annual General Meeting held on 2nd May 2018, which had been circulated to all attendees, were approved. There were no matters arising.

3. Treasurer's Report

Abbreviated accounts have been shared and are available on the website. Subscription income is slightly down, members haven't reduced but the type of members are more of the smaller businesses.

Office expenses, marketing expenses, website costs and misc. costs are slightly up. Accounting, audit and bookkeeping costs are down.

The training company previously running in parallel has been closed down and charged across.

Social functions, Peer Mentoring and Better business show income has increased.

Other Income – The work for Lancing Business Park ceased in March.

Pass a resolution to approve the accounts

Proposed by Kelly O'Haire **Seconded by** Kathie Crane

The accounts were accepted en masse by a show of hands.

Ayres Bright Vickers were appointed as auditors having been **Proposed by** Chris Coopey **Seconded by** Chay Took

All in favour voted en masse by a show of hands

4. President's Report

The President read from his report, a summary is noted below.

Welcome to all attendees it is nice to see many new faces

It has been a great pleasure to serve as President for 2 years and proud to be handing on the baton

At the 2017 AGM 3 aims were noted as for the incoming Presidents Agenda agenda:

- In my view, business creates the wealth that is the enabler for so much in society and I relish the honour of representing the interests of Chamber members in the name of better business.
- My ambition for the Chamber is for it to really influence and drive the decisions that are central to the wellbeing of our local economy and its businesses, both in Adur and Worthing
- I'll try to do that in a collaborative style taking into account the views of the Executive and by engagement with members and external bodies, both local and national.

Some of these aims still need more work. The Chamber is in a good place, a little bit different and a little bit better.

The Chamber has National, Regional and Local influence and does an immense amount supporting businesses with training and events. The aim is to keep you in business ahead of the game.

There are many challenges with education locally, businesses should do all they can to influence government.

The Chamber used to deliver the Business Navigator programme which was pulled very quickly, the Chamber depends on limited income streams. Peer Mentoring and the WiseUp2 programme have more than filled a gap.

The Sphere Business Centre has been a great success and currently has a waiting list. More space is needed to extend the pilot.

Connect magazine is now published in house, has gone from strength to strength and is a wonderful tool for the Chamber. Thanks to Gemini Print for their support in this transition.

The Better Business Show has got bigger and better each year, it really is the best in the area. It could be even better if Worthing had some conferencing space.

The Brexit word cannot be avoided and it is testament to all that businesses are succeeding despite the government.

Thanks must be given to Tina who makes this Chamber the success it is, and the team of Tracie & Lauren which the three together make it all work. The exec who give up their time willingly and the Ambassadors who are there to meet, greet & welcome.

It is a fantastic honour to hand over the Chay Took who will be a strong leader and take the Chamber forwards.

5. Hand over chair to Tony Hedger VP

- A. To accept the resignation of Chris Coopey as President and thank him for his support

Resignation was accepted. Tony said a thank you to Chris for all the hard work and effort and wish him well for the future.

Proposed by Tony Hedger

Seconded by Peter Webb

All in favour voted en masse by a show of hands

- B. To pass a resolution to ratify the decision of the election committee of April 16th 2019 to elect a new President of Worthing and Adur Chamber with effect from May 8th 2019 and Director of the Company.

Proposed by Peter Webb

Seconded by Andrew Dalglish

All in favour voted en masse by a show of hands

6. Inaugural address from incoming President

7. Election of Officers

To consider and pass resolutions for the election of Executive Members duly nominated and seconded.

Proposed by Julian Cioffi

Seconded by Kate Honey

Elected committee:

Alastair Vickers	Tony Hedger	Peter Webb	Kelly O'Haire	Simon Pilbeam
Keith Gallis	Jonathan Nulty	Kathie Crane	Anne Feldberg	

8. To consider any other resolutions proposed (nominated and seconded)

Resolutions must be sent to the company at least 14 days prior to the date of the AGM.

None received

9. Any Other Business

None

Meeting closed at 6.45pm