

**The Worthing Chamber of Commerce and Industry Ltd**  
**82nd Annual General Meeting**  
**held on Zoom Worthing on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2020**

**Present:**

Simon Pilbeam	A & F Pilbeam Construction Ltd	Tony Hedger	A & T Business Associates Limited
Brian Boggis	AAC Southern Ltd	Chris Sewell	ActiveIT
Angela Crane	Adur & Worthing Councils	Martin Randall	Adur and Worthing Councils
Sarah Austin-peggs	Aldingboure	Alastair Vickers	ANV
Andrew Dalglish	Ayres Bright Vickers	Patt Fallon	Bald designs ltd
Ian Macara	Bennett Griffin Solicitors	Phoebe Tether	Care for Veterans
Debbie Ross	Chichester College	Shelagh Legrave	Chichester College Group
Lisa Kerr	Consulting with Kerr	Dave Bone	Conxdigital Ltd
Theresa Cooper	cooperativeHR Ltd	Peter Webb	Electronic Temperature Instruments Ltd
Emma Waterer	Expert Virtual Assistant Services Ltd	Jacqui Moorhouse	Facilitator and Trainer
Matthew Hyams	GB MET	Sally Neil-Smith	Heaton House Care Home
Tim Loughton	House of Commons	Susan Beeby	HR Dept
Jon Rush	HR Smart	Liana Naylor	Inside Magazines
Hannah Worricker	Irwin Mitchell LLP	Nigel Jupp	Jupps Chartered Accountants
Chay Took	Kreston Reeves	Kate Honey	Mint Design Studio
Martin Braddy	MLB Associates	Sir Peter Bottomley	MP
Paul Mason	Nordell Ltd	Phil Bristow	Nsure
Rebecca Hope	Our Hope Hive	Paul Hopwood	Paul Hopwood Consulting Limited
Kathie Crane	Prosperon Networks Ltd	Andrew Swayne	Ricardo
Kayla Shepherd	Safety Mode Ltd	Keith Gallis	Seagull Travel
Emily McCunn	Seaside Creative	Kelly O'Haire	Seaside Creative
Martin Bloomfield	Seaside Creative	Rachael Dines	Shake It Up Creative
Anne Feldberg	Teach All About IT	Ruth Boulton	The Training Point UK Ltd
Gareth Sear	University of Chichester	Jonathan Nulty	Vice Puddings Ltd
Vicki Etherington	Vicki Luisa	Tracie Davey	WACCI
Tina Tilley	Worthing & Adur Chamber of Commerce	Lauren Martin-Grievesson	WACCI
Clive Spring	yooohoo creative	Guy Pearce	
Caroline Nicholls DL	Worthing & Adur Fund/ lord lieutenant's voluntary sector forum		

**Apologies were received from the following:**

Duncan Anderson	South Downs Leisure
Robin Evans	MHA Carpenter Box
Kira McKinney	MHA Carpenter Box
Trevor Weare	Happy Panda Productions
Nikkie Windsor	The Jungle Goddess

**1. Apologies**

Chay Took mentioned that there were a number of apologies and that they should be noted.

**2. Minutes of the Last Meeting**

The minutes of the 81st Annual General Meeting held on 8th May 2019, which had been circulated to all attendees, were approved. There were no matters arising.

**Minutes approved**

Proposed by: Kelly O'Haire

Seconded by: Emily McCunn

**3. President's Report**

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

Firstly recognition and thanks to the Chamber Team, Tina, who is returning next month, Tracie, Lauren & Mel.

We had great plans for the AGM, the Chamber has evolved a lot and continues to serve our members and work with Partners. Difficult decisions have had to be taken this year, thanks to the Vice President's and wider executive committee for their support.

This is the Chamber's centenary year and we were excited for the celebrations, further plans will be made to celebrate the milestone.

We have held 70 events since May 2019, 35 since lockdown and over 600 attendees at the Better Business Show. We are very proud of these numbers.

Training is really important to us we have held 70 workshops since May 2019 and 36 since lockdown. Sharing of knowledge amongst our members is one of our strengths and there are opportunities for members to promote themselves

As a Chamber we should be seen as representing our members and being their voice. We represent our members through partnership working, supporting local government and other organisations as a critical friend, challenging and sharing information and directing support and resources. Our relationships have strengthened during this difficult time.

The Chamber Connect magazine is something we are very proud of, the stats of the first e-version are impressive. The website has been proactively reviewed updating key information. Peer Mentoring has helped a lot of businesses, meeting new people can help take you forwards.

We have spoken about the opportunities to be promoted, please shout about your successes

We are looking at our member benefits. We have recently signed an affiliation with Sussex Chamber which increases the opportunity for our voice to be heard and also for us to share access to a range of member benefits.

There is plenty going on, please keep in touch so we can do our best for you.

#### **4. Treasurer's Report**

Accounts were shared for everyone to view.

There was a good increase in revenue and a small profit of just over £1100 for the year. Membership numbers need to be increased and in turn the Chamber can continue to support the local businesses

No questions on the accounts were received.

#### **Pass a resolution to approve the accounts**

**Proposed by** Anne Feldberg

**Seconded by** Andrew Swayne

Thanks were given to Tony Hedger and Alastair Vickers for the work on the accounts since the last AGM

**The accounts were accepted en masse.**

Ayres Bright Vickers were appointed as auditors having been **Proposed by** Peter Webb **Seconded by** Tony Hedger

**The proposal was accepted en masse.**

#### **5. Election of Officers**

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

#### **Executive Members re-standing for Election after their 3 year term:**

Tony Hedger, Peter Webb, Jonathan Nulty

**Executive Members within their 3 year term**

Chay Took, Kathie Crane, Anne Feldberg, Alastair Vickers, Keith Gallis, Simon Pilbeam

**3 new nominations to the Executive Committee**

Paul Trew, Debbie Ross, Kate Honey

**Proposed by** Emily McCunn

**Seconded by** Kelly O’Haire

**The proposal was accepted en masse.**

**Elected Executive Committee:**

Chay Took	Alastair Vickers	Tony Hedger	Peter Webb	Simon Pilbeam
Keith Gallis	Jonathan Nulty	Kathie Crane	Anne Feldberg	Paul Trew
Debbie Ross	Kate Honey			

Thanks given to Kelly O’Haire who has stood down after serving for over 4 years, Kelly has always been a strong advocate of small business views and her commitment was always appreciated. Kelly will continue to be involved with the Chamber.

**6. 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

**7. Any Other Business**

None

**Meeting closed at 6.45pm**