

# HUNGERFORD TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the **Tourism and Economy Committee** held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2014 at 7.35pm in the Corn Exchange Complex, Hungerford

**Present:** Cllrs M Crane, M Wilson, Small, Leach, Thompson and Benneyworth

- 1. Apologies for absence.** Cllr Farrell
- 2. Declarations of interests.** None
- 3. Minutes of the meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2014.** Cllr Small proposed minutes as a true record, seconded by Cllr Thompson, one abstention, rest in favour,
- 4. New Town Guide.**
  - Rose of Hungerford are re-writing their article
  - Church photos should include one of St Lawrence church
  - Need map with north pointing up and on one page if possible
  - Theatre Co photo in wrong place
  - Cut down longer pieces as need to make space

**Action:** Cllrs Leach and Crane will go through Town Guide prior to next meeting to look at improvements. Arrange the next T&E for 10<sup>th</sup> November.

- 5. Working with WBC to boost Hungerford's economy.** Leader of WBC, Gordon Lundie said let him have some ideas. He will be invited to the next Chamber of Commerce meeting. Thames Valley Chamber of Commerce has a meeting on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October which Cllrs Benneyworth and Crane will attend. Cllr Crane had a meeting with LEP who are pressing electrification, but there is no more money available to extend to Hungerford and Bedwyn. GL could help with relocating business use elsewhere. If WBC is prepared to sell off the police station, an improved access/area could be available. Can WBC help with contacts to help with land assembly? GL has said there is no money in pot. He has dealt with similar projects with Parkway. GL keen for HTC to meet with those that made Parkway happen. Should we invite GL to a meeting or perhaps the officer that was involved in Parkway Development? **Action:** District Cllr Paul Hewer to set up.
- 6. Boots – outcome of meeting.** **Action:** Cllr Thompson to chase up outcome from Jeanette Kersey over complaints in pharmacy service. It is up to HTC to sort? Is procedure unclear to patients? Is it due to Staff shortages?

7. **Budget for next financial year.** Are Hungerford.co.uk earning enough to continue their website? A budget for promotion literature should be allowed. Cllr Crane is prepared to take on the Grand Draw again this year.
8. **Website – link from town website/consider news section or blog.** Can we put links into website for facebook and twitter? Do we want news or blog on micro site? Twitter probably not practical to update. It was suggested we continue facebook and put Here and Now in full on the microsite. **Action:** - Set up a meeting with J Laker. Cllr Crane to speak to Town Team for an update.

**Meeting closed at 8.35pm**