

MINUTES OF THE BFMD EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT 5.00pm 17th Jan 2017

Apologies: – Richard Chesterton, Meia Allegranza

Acceptance of minutes from last meeting - Nil Matters arising

Chairman's opening remarks –

Will seek a replacement to run the “facebook offer” for the BFMD

Say to members to tag “Best of Exeter” into their tweets.

The result of the Petroc award – Best Business Studies work, sponsored by BFMD

Finance/membership report

Full report presented – summary

£3,729.24 in bank

68 paid up members + Tiverton hotel

5 renewals, 4 new members, 3 outstanding renewals, 1 resignation

Marketing

Colin Slade – Twitter:

BFMD now has 2167 followers

Peter Shaw – Website:

Many workshops scheduled – incorporated onto the website

167 sessions

Speaker schedule:

○ **Tuesday 17th Jan**

- Cullompton Community College / Kate Doodson – How can businesses become involved with schools – engage with the teaching curriculum (5 minutes)
- Linda Middleton-Jones
- Charles Baughan – Westaway Sausages

○ **March – 15th**

- **March – Apprenticeship themes**
 - Petroc – Marc Challacombe
 - Tiverton High School - Mandy Slevin, Tiverton High School
 - Cullompton Community College – Kate Doodson

- Comments on consultations regarding “Garden Village”
- Patrick McCaig – Otter Brewery – C Slade will attend 18th May
- Making tax digital – Stuart Carrington – intro 18th May
- Public sector procurement – **AL contact C Shears**
- Brenden Bellis – hydro power generation – **C Shears – July?**

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South West Business Expo – March

Invite Stephen Walford (MDDC chief exec) to next meeting – AL