

**PEACEHAVEN AND TELSCOMBE REGENERATION PARTNERSHIP
COMMERCIAL AND RETAIL WORKING GROUP
MEETING ON MONDAY 4TH NOVEMBER 2002 AT
THE MERIDIAN CENTRE 7PM.**

Present: John Shervington - Peacehaven Anglers; Patricia Wood - Peacehaven Anglers., Roy Goodall -Telscombe Town Council; Michael Wickham - Osteopath, Audrey Whitney - Federation of Small Businesses.

AGENDA

- 1) Apologies for Absence: Lynette Boxall and Jenny Turner, Claudia Lindsay - House Project (Minutes)

Roy asked if anyone would like to Chair this meeting.. It was suggested Roy should continue and he agreed. He also agreed to write the Minutes as Claudia had submitted apologies.

- 2) **Minutes of the Last Meeting.**

These were passed as correct. Proposed by Michael and Seconded by Patricia.

- 3) **Matters Arising.**

- a) Claudia had reported that a room could be available at the House Project for Small Business meetings and also that IT facilities were available. Roy said he would pass this information on to Cllr. David Neighbour who had originally brought the idea up.
- b) Claudia had reported that following a letter to Inspector Huff concerning vandalism in Peacehaven he had telephoned her and suggested we invite the new Neighbourhood Police Officer to a future meeting so we could put points of view directly to him. **This was agreed and Claudia to contact PC Gary Williams** with an invitation to our next meeting. It was generally felt that one police officer for Newhaven and the two towns was quite insufficient, especially in view of the fact that he was not on duty all the time. Roy pointed out that other police teams were available in those situations. It was also felt that although the appointment of a new Traffic Warden was praiseworthy it was insufficient for the area.
- c) Claudia has written, as instructed to Peacehaven Council concerning advertising local businesses in the car parks in Peacehaven and possibly Telscombe. She had also asked Peacehaven Council what their plans were for changes to their offices in the Meridian Centre. She has not received a reply as yet.
- d) Roy suggested we make an additional item 3a to discuss the brochure in more detail. This was agreed.
- e) It was agreed that the condition of the cycle path near the Golf Course could be considered by the Transport Working Group if they felt it appropriate.
- f) Claudia had sent, as requested, copies of the Transport Plan and the original Draft Action Plan for the Regeneration Groups so that they could

become acquainted with what had originally been asked for. They were appreciative of this and Roy went through the entire Draft Report outlining the up-to-date situation with each item. On the question of a possible Fire Station for the two towns Michael, who had been in the fire service, explained that in his opinion we would never get one because we were within fifteen minutes journey of either the Newhaven or Roedean fire stations.

3a) Business Brochure.

This was discussed in great details. Roy had obtained quotes from Wasp Printers for two sizes and style of brochure. It was not sure that either would be appropriate to the specific requirements. Michael felt that an A4 folded, probably in black and white would be sufficient and sketched out an idea. It was agreed that it depended on how many adverts we could get on the sheet and how much we charged for each advert. Michael suggested they should not be boxed adverts, but just a straight line, with various heading like eg. Shops, Health and Beauty, Sports etc. It was felt we should also ensure that we don't cover the same ground as the Peacehaven Council's new brochure and Roy said he would obtain a copy of the new one to check on this. Audrey promised to contact all her 40-odd tradesmen in Peacehaven and Telscombe to sound out the idea with them. It was also suggested that Roy ask the main Committee whether any grants might be available to help offset costs.

It was felt that distribution should cover tourist spots in the towns and area such as the Fort, the Port, the motel, restaurants and, of course, Jenny in the information Centre. It was decided to discuss again at the next meeting, but there was considerable enthusiasm for the idea among members.

4) Feedback for Aims of the Commercial and Retail Group.

It was felt that we definitely would benefit if we could get more people to the group. Roy had written a letter and personally contacted all the shops in the Meridian Centre, but enthusiasm was low and no one had arrived to this meeting. However it was felt we should all continue trying to attract new members for a wider range of opinions.

5) Any Other Business

A brief discussion was held about Asylum Seeker being housed at the Ocean Hotel, Saltdean.

6) Date of next Meeting.

Monday 9th December at Meridian Centre, 7pm. **Claudia please Book room.**