

## **Bromyard Chamber of Commerce –Minutes of Meeting, held at the Falcon Hotel, 4<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

**Minutes of June 2018 meeting** - These were agreed.

**Treasurer's Report** – Business Account £3158.63. Reserve Account £1329.71

**Membership Secretary's Report** - Several new and prospective members. Contact details and GDPR consent to be copied to Secretary.

**Bromyard Council Report** - The bad state of the roads had been discussed. Tony Burt, present at the meeting, informed the Council that the speed festival would not take place in Bromyard next year if organisers could not get a guarantee that they would be repaired before the event.

### **Bromyard Festivals and Events**

**Art Walk –7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> July 2018** – 3 Galleries and 24 shops taking part. Official launch, 11 a.m.at the Falcon Mews. Activities for children at the Heritage Centre and competition identifying the images of birds in the shop windows.

**Royal British Legion** - Pete Jackson is walking through local parishes where a soldier from WWI has fallen and will be leaving a wreath by churches and war memorials.

Businesses were asked for support by identifying a name of the fallen and displaying in their window. (More details to be given and Chamber will support)

Good support with the poppy making appeal and poppies were being made by all ages, from youngsters to the elderly.

Memorial Walk - 15<sup>th</sup> September – Phil Davies to represent the Chamber – will need poppy to carry.

The RBL was also concerned about the state of the roads in Bromyard and the many potholes which posed a danger to those taking part in the annual parade.

(Both RBL and the Chamber of Commerce to write to local MP expressing concerns re impact on tourism and commerce affecting not only local businesses but the Speed Festival, Remembrance Parade and Folk Festival )

### **Chamber Gala Dinner**

Provisional dated 19<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at the Falcon Hotel. Awards to recognise local businesses. Costings and Award Categories and Speakers, to be discussed further at next meeting.

### **Any Other Business**

Archive section for website – press cuttings and documents from the past, which may be of interest to current members.

Mayor's Charity – Kempson Players. Clare would be holding a tea party in support of this on Tuesday 10 July 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. She would also like the Chamber to be involved in a project to alleviate loneliness in the area. This was something the Chamber would support, and it was noted that The Falcon held the regular Friday lunch club and Bromyard Community Transport helped to make sure those needing transport were able to attend.

**Next Meeting** – the next meeting will be held on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2018 at the Falcon Bromyard, starting at 7. 30 p.m. and our speaker would be Dave Nursey from the Speed Festival. (It was decided not to hold a meeting in August as many members would be on holiday.)