



Meeting date	Monday 15 March 2021 Annual General Meeting
Venue	Zoom meeting
Chamber members and representative attendees	Uta Acuna – President, Helen Baker – Vice President, Veronica Spoors - Vice President, Tracy Dixon – Treasurer, Debbie Grant – Marketing Committee, Colin Smith – Honorary Member, Paul Baker – Crafty Norman, Tamzin Gray – Christmas Committee, Sarah Truman – Sarah’s Cellar, Glenna Favell – Battle Town Council, Natasha Williams – English Heritage, Vikki Cook – Rother District Council
Apologies	Kay Hunting, Mike Dawes, Lizzy Hurst – The Honest Hub, Paula Williams – British Design British Made

Minutes of the 2020 AGM were accepted by the meeting and signed off by the President.

Matters arising, there were no matters arising

Appointment of Honorary members, the President proposed to make Kay and Alan Hunting Honorary Members following decades of support to the Chamber and it’s businesses. This was seconded by Helen Baker and voted for unanimously.

Treasurer’s report and accounts

Tracy had not received full details for all accounts prior to the meeting but took members through her report, which is attached. Tracy will now prepare details to go to Holland Harper.

Membership report

There was no membership report given.

Event Committee reports

- **Marbles** – cancelled for Easter 2021 however, Kay has booked the Abbey Green provisionally for the August bank holiday to hold an extra-ordinary Marbles event. The cups for Marbles are being refurbished at a cost of around £200 to £250, one of the three cups (David Cusack) is a valuable trophy.

- **Mediaeval Fayre**

The RDC road closure and the accommodation costs are available to be used next year.

2020 Med Fayre - cancelled!

2021 Med Fayre - cancelled!

2022 Med Fayre - this is going to go with a bang!!

- **Christmas** report is attached, Tamzin would like to particularly thank Delia Hayes for the many years she was a member of the Committee and her help and organisation of the Charity market and many other aspects of the festivities each year.

Town Council report

The Parish Assembly which usually takes place in April, is yet to be arranged, but will be after May as it is hoped it can be a face-to-face meeting if restrictions allow.

President' report

What a year! I had hoped to help bring together the groups doing things in Battle for Battle through a combined website financed by the Marketing Committee, incorporating Battle and District Chamber of Commerce.

In June members of Battle Town Council, Rother District Council, English Heritage and the Chamber came together to look at ways to help residents through Covid-19, look at was to encourage the reduced traffic and calmness enforced on Battle through the pandemic, thus forming a sub-committee of the Covid-19 recovery group.

We were able to announce via a banner campaign that Battle was open for Christmas and help put together a reduced Christmas leaflet, although this has set a template for future seasonal leaflets which we only need to add the fun to. The Christmas Committee left no stone unturned to bring Santa to Battle children and adults and they received some wonderful feedback for their efforts. Thank you to everyone.

I would like to thank Colin for forwarding countless emails from our bankers and keeping professional throughout. HSBC chose this time to alter their systems, much to the dismay of any user. Tracy, thank you - never has anyone carefully completed more applications with visits to the bank to put a simple amendment in place.

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Appointment of Officers and Committee Chairs

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| • President | Uta Acuna |
| • Vice President | Helen Baker |
| | Veronica Spoors |
| • Treasurer | Tracy Dixon |
| • Secretary/Membership | To be appointed |
| • Marbles | Kay Hunting |
| • Mediaeval Fayre | Simon Lawrence |
| • Christmas | Tamzin Gray |
| • Marketing | Uta Acuna |

Any other business

There was no Any other business.

The meeting concluded at 18:30 and was followed by an ordinary meeting.