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Minutes of the **Tourism and Economy Committee** held on Monday 12th June at 7.55 pm in the Corn Exchange Complex, Hungerford

Present: Cllrs Crane, Knight, Finlay, Small & Ms Debbie Arden-Hunt [DAH] (John O'Gaunt School).

- 1. Apologies for absence.** Cllr Farrell, Cllr Simpson, Dani Winslet & Brian Quinn. The chair was informed that Cllr Farrell was stepping down from the committee.
- 2. Declarations of interests.** None.
- 3. Minutes of the meeting held on 8th May 2017.** Cllr Knight, proposed the minutes as a true record, seconded by Cllr Crane, all in favour.

Action: Office to invite the Chairperson of the Chamber of Commerce. Invitation had been sent, but Christina Finlay was unable to attend. Cllr Finlay did attend.

- 4. Hungerford Town Guide –** A meeting of the small working party had taken place on 19th May. A number of issues were discussed. However, as DW and BQ were unable to attend this meeting the item was not discussed further.

Action: Place on the agenda for the next meeting.

- 5. Welcome signage update – Action:** Office to re-contact GWR for the artwork and arrange for the banner to be produced. On-going action.

- 6. Major Employers Forum Update.**

Action: Cllr Crane to contact Richard Benyon MP for a date in October. Meeting had been held it was confirmed that the event would take place on Friday 13th October date.

Cllr Crane and DAH had met to discuss the forum, which has a working title of Hungerford Trade fair. The fair would be aimed at Y10 and Y11 students allowing them to see the opportunities present in Hungerford, including possible employers and those that offer apprenticeships. A total of 30-40 stands would be available. JOG students would have exclusive time at the Fair between 2 pm to 3:30 pm, after which it would be open to the general public until 6:30 pm. DAH was due to attend a meeting of career advisers in the area and would inform them of the event.

Some discussion was held about the organisation of the event, including a suggestion from Cllr chicken about the possibility of employers giving a short presentation in a class room. Advertising the event would come through school and it was suggested that a banner was placed on the Town Hall.

Action: DAH and MC to agree on the draft letter to be sent out to business. It is intended to have three logos on the letter (HTC, JOG and Chamber of Commerce.)

Action: Deputy Clerk to send HTC logo to DAH.

Action: Meeting arranged for next week (DW, Cllr Crane, Cllr Small, Cllr Chicken, DAH and Christina Finlay).

Meeting ended at 8.20 pm.