

## Saltash and District Chamber of Commerce and Industry



## CHAIRMAN PETER RYLAND

E-mail to Dawn Joyce – Please find attached the report of our June meeting....Peter Ryland.

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT

The monthly meeting took place on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June. Members regretted the passing of Colin Breed who, when a councillor and an M.P., had always been a supporter of the Chamber.

Members commented favourably on the work being carried out to refit the former Mercure shots unit as a banking hub and were looking forward to its opening.

M/s Frank and Steve Miller both gave an update on what is happening re. the Tamar Crossings charges. It was noted that there may be a need for a public enquiry and members hoped that, if such were the case, then it would be in Saltash rather than Plymouth Guildhall (as previously).

The Chairman reported on the positive feedback as a result of the consultation carried out by Town Team of Fore Street traders for the proposals relating to parklets and market stalls in Fore Street. They were also buoyed by the number of traders who have recently expressed an interest in becoming Chamber members.

It was reported that the ferry between Royal William Yard and the Waterfront was doing good business. Members asked if there were any statistics on the Beryl Bike usage and noted the regularity of bikes not being replaced in the racks.

Members were concerned that the May Fair income did not cover expenditure and therefore reserves were used, despite STC upping its funding to £2500. M/s Frank explained that discussions were taking place to find a long-term funding situation to May Fair, Regatta and the Christmas Festival.

The use of the Saltash Card was raised and the Chairman reported that there were moves to reactivate the Card.