

Q GUILD

Minutes of North West & North Wales Regional Meeting held on Tuesday 15th January 2013 within the Hartwood Hotel , Chorley, Lancs



Present

Greg Hull in the Chair, Philip Cranston + I, Frank Taylor, Howard Callaghan, David Molloy (I.G Edwards), Jonathon Wallwork, Darren Shepherd, Mark Pearson, Neil Corry, Martin Bennett and John Mettrick.

Corporate Members

Hartshead Meats, John Penny, IMoon Lighting.

1 Welcome

The Chairman introduced and welcomed guests to the meeting.

2 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Geoff Riley

3 Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday 20 November 2012 were accepted as being a true and accurate record of that meeting.
Proposed by PC and seconded by FT.

4 Appointment of Office Bearers 2013

Chairman – Greg Hull proposed by FT, seconded by NC.
Vice Chairman – John Mettrick, proposed by PC, seconded by HC.
Treasurer – Frank Taylor, proposed by GH, seconded by MP.

5 Corporate Members

IMoon Lighting
Started in 2012, they are based in Altrincham and provide a total lighting service.

John Penny
New product lists are available. More PR activities are planned for 2013 and support for national apprentice week.

Hartshead Meats

Joined in 2012, based in Mossley Lancashire. They supply beef, lamb and pork from their abattoir and cutting plant and throughout the North West and West Yorkshire.

6 Open Forum

Christmas 2012

Sales in general were at 2011 level with NC showing a 10% increase.

Turkey breast sales were up at all businesses with large turkeys in decline.

All reported excellent sales for gammon joints and those who sell pork pies saw record sales.

JM saw increased online sales both locally and nationally.

7 Any Other Competent Business

The Marketing Conference will take place on Wednesday 17th April 2013 at the Cedar Court, York.

A joint meeting with the North East Region is to be arranged.

Visits

It is proposed to visit the South East region in September. Action by PC

MB has had problem dealing with a rating reduction company. He urged members to approach any contact with these companies with caution. JM informed the meeting NFMFT has a very reliable contact in this area.

8 Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 12th March 2013, Commencing at 4:00pm.

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The meeting concluded at 9:30 pm.