TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Monday 14th January 2019 10.30 a.m.

*Cllr M Fitch Cllr R K James Cllr Mrs R Gadsby

*District Cllr Mrs E A Webster (Chairman)
District Cllr Mrs A Mitchell
*District Cllr Mrs Jeane Lea

* Denotes Members present

In attendance: Senior Assistant to the Town Clerk & the TIC Manager

- 615/19. **Recording of Meetings:** The notice was duly read to the meeting.
- 616/19. **Apologies for Absence:** Apologies for absence had been received from Town Clerk, no other apologies received.
- 617/19. **Disclosures of Interest:** There were no disclosures of interest.
- 618/19. T.I.C Manager's Report: January is when trade begins to pick up usually although it is still currently slow.

Souvenir keyring has arrived and it's not as expected, 300 ordered looking for a discount from supplier.

Trips are all booked in for the year.

Swallow coaches have been retained, although a £60 uplift per journey, still far cheaper than other local operators, will have to look at a slight trip cost uplift soon.

- 619/19 **Tourism Board:** Report noted, KRR to give update (if any) at next meeting.
- 620/19. Any Other Business: Correct committee list to be checked and agendas going forward to be updated.
- 621/19. **Exclusion of Press and Public:** It was moved by the Chairman and

RESOLVED – THAT in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest, that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

622/19. **<u>Visitor Numbers etc. report:</u>** End of year was as predicted with a very quiet November and a drop generally of around 50%.

623/19. **Finance Report:** Figures generally appear to balance out although visitor numbers for Dec 2018 are down on 2017.

Sales from Jan-Mar 2018 are being held to year end and the same will happen this year.

CLLR MRS E WEBSTER - CHAIRMAN

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