



# THE Pontardawe CHAMBER FOR *TRADE & COMMERCE*

**FEBRUARY UPDATE**

**Next meeting: Thursday 13th March 2008**

**Venue: Ivy Bush Hotel - Ground Floor Meeting Room**

**Time: 7pm**

Outlined Notes from February meeting;

- 1) Community Police welcome the formation of the P.C.T.C., and are keen to be involved pro-actively with members concerns.
- 2) Councillor A.Huw Evans, attended the meeting, and encouraged communication between the Chamber and Pontardawe Town Council. He suggested that the Chamber could request to make a presentation to the Town Council, highlighting concerns in the Town, from a Business and Commerce point of view.
- 3) The Canal and Heritage Society will soon have leaflets printed. These are eagerly anticipated by the Chamber, and copies should be made available at the next meeting.
- 4) The Chamber outlined details of the Borough Council's Development Scheme, whereby commercial properties are able to receive a grant of up to 50% of costs, toward improvement of the shop/business frontage. Interested parties will be furnished with further details, and a meeting with the Council's Officer in charge of the scheme, can be arranged.
- 5) The Chamber was informed that the Council's consideration of a possible Pay and Display scheme for the Herbert Street Car Park has been put on hold.
- 6) Andrew Scannell Manager of the new Focus DIY store, informed the Chamber that the new Store will open on 4th June. This will provide 30 jobs, and application forms are now available from the Job Centre.

Agenda for next Meeting

- 1) Minutes of last Meeting.
- 2) Collation of members' aspirations.
- 3) A.O.B.