

Boston Big Local Meeting, 11th December 2013, 6.30pm

Black Sluice Lock Cottages

Present

Ivan Annibal - Big Local Rep
Rachel A Lauberts – Facilitator
Mike Bartlett
Rodney Bowles
Paul Collingwood
Neville Dodd
Robert Lauberts
Tim Norman
Ralph Pryke
Shirley Richardson
Lisa Stevenson
Will Swain
Maurice Tompkins
Richard Tory
Caroline Wallis

The meeting commenced at 6.35 pm.

1. Apologies – Apologies received from: Gordon Hunter – Lincolnshire Community Foundation, Mick Taylor- TaylorITEX CIC, Christine Meggitt, Paul Stevenson, Alan Taylor, Ricky Green, Nathan Bryant and Paul Gleeson.
2. The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as a true record, proposed RT, seconded SR.
3. Website – Update
RAL updated the group on the progress of the website building; suggestions for slight aesthetic changes were noted. After collecting votes for the logo competition, the group voted for RT's entry. RAL explained what further changes will be made to the website. RP suggested that we post news that is relevant to local area, IA suggested a news capture facility, or a feed from Big Local Twitter feed to run along the bottom of the webpage. It is hoped that the website will be completed before Christmas; we will then ask Mark Breen at Local Trust to approve it before starting to use it.
4. Getting started progress - Members updated the group with their progress on designated tasks for the action plan. RAL reminded members that the research should be submitted by 24th December. M Taylor has completed his research and presented it in the form of a map with identifier tags which include the name address and telephone number of the relevant organisation, similar to Google Maps. The group liked the idea of this format and it was suggested that we create maps for the categories of research that lend themselves to this format.

5. Action Plan – IA suggested that we allocated half a day for the next meeting in order to start working through the information that we have collected so far and begin putting the first draft of our position statement together.

A.O.B. –

- a. RAL was authorised to raise cheques for the logo winners.
- b. RAL informed the group that BBL has an article in the CVS quarterly newsletter. A copy of which has been placed on file.
- c. RAL and IA to research BBC's flood recovery with a view to approaching Big Local for emergency funding if a suitable project can be found.

Date and time of next meeting: Friday 17th January 2014, 9am at the Black Sluice Lock Cottage.

The meeting closed at 7.55 pm.