

## **Boston Big Local Meeting, 17<sup>th</sup> January 2014 9am**

### **Black Sluice Lock Cottages**

#### **Present**

Ivan Annibal - Big Local Rep  
Gordon Hunter – Lincolnshire Community Foundation  
Rachel A Lauberts – Facilitator  
Sue Foster - UnLtd  
Mike Bartlett  
Rodney Bowles  
Neville Dodd  
Maddy Eyre - BBC  
Jo Finlow  
Robert Lauberts  
Daniel Jaines – Boston Standard  
Diane Johnson – Boston Mayflower  
Tim Norman  
Alan Simons  
Lisa Stevenson  
Paul Stevenson  
Maurice Tompkins  
Richard Tory  
Caroline Wallis

The meeting commenced at 9.05am.

Apologies – Apologies received from: Mick Taylor- TaylorITEX CIC, Alan Taylor, Ricky Green, Nathan Bryant, Will Swain, Shirley Richardson, Ralph Pryke and Paul Gleeson

1. The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as a true record, proposed MT, seconded RT.
2. Website – Update  
RAL updated the group on the progress of the website building; RAL submitted the website for review by Mark Breen at Local Trust, Mark has suggested a few improvements – adding a Big Local logo, and a twitter widget, but on the whole finds it attractive and user friendly. RAL will arrange a meeting with RG to carry out the suggestions.
4. Sue Foster – Boosting the Local Economy. SF asked the group to elect 2 members to become Boosting the Local Economy Champions to work with representatives from the other BLE groups. Persons wishing to be nominated as BLE champions should email RAL, discussion and elections to take place at the next meeting. Visits to Boston from other BLE pilot areas and visits out of our area were also offered by SF.

5. Financial Update – M Taylor has produced a spread sheet of the total spend to date: Total spend so far = £5135.25 out of an initial Getting Started budget of £19,400.00. A copy of the accounts will be placed on file.
6. Action Plan – IA facilitated a planning session in which the shared vision, priorities, overall approach and outcomes were agreed upon. RAL and IA to have a meeting to write up today's outcomes and continue formulating the plan and the Boston Profile.

A.O.B. –

- a. CW invited the group members to the Coastal Boston Pilot exhibition launch on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 5.30pm at the Black Sluice Lock Cottages.
- b. M Tompkins informed the group that a Placecheck group who have adopted a Borough owned, local green space and carry out litter picks on a regular basis are being charged for the use of the land to hold a public event. MT expressed his annoyance with this policy; RAL suggested he raise his concerns with the Borough officers.
- c. IA discussed Public Liability Insurance – RAL to investigate.
- d. CW invited group members to the next BVEP meeting on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2014 10am at the Black Sluice Lock Cottages. Please email CW if you wish to attend.

Date and time of next meeting: Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2014, 1pm at Fenside Community Centre.

The meeting closed at 12.10 pm.