

Boston Big Local Meeting 8 November 2018
Chantry House, Boston

Name	Title	Resident/ Non Resident	Apologies
Richard Tory (RT)	Chair	R	
Don Jenkins (DJ)		R	
Lind Anso Edwards (LAE)		R	
Mike Gilbert (MG)		R	
Mark Baker (MB)	Communications	R	
Carole Lloyd (CL)		R	Apologies
Graham Lloyd GL)		R	Apologies
Rachel A Lauberts (RL)	Facilitator	NR	
Darren Bayley (DB)	LTO	NR	
Bill Badham (BB) - minutes	Big Local Rep	NR	
Fran Taylor	Visitor	NR	
Richard Thornally	Visitor	R	

		ACTION
1.	Apologies : CL and GL	
2.	Approve minutes of last meeting: Minutes were read and agreed as a true record, proposed MB seconded DJ.	
3.	<p>Matters arising not on the main agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Credit union: need to follow up about new members and whether they live in the Boston Big Local area. ACTION • December partnership meeting to take place starting at 5pm, moving on to the White Hart at 7.30pm. 	RT
3.	<p>Running things:</p> <p>a. LTO Update – DB presented the monthly budget report, confirming:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bank balance c.£23.9k • Monthly expenditure c.£8.58k • To date: c.£47.9k spent this financial year • No concerning underspend or overspend; 3.1.1 (Events) on closer inspection is not overspent • Community Chest; with 25 applications for this round; agreed to add to this budget from areas of underspend. <p>ACTION: DB to email Local Trust, requesting move within budgets of 10k from 2.4.1 and 3.2.1 to 3.3.1 (community chest); DB needs to attach these minutes as evidence of the partnership's decision.</p> <p>b. BL Rep updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partnership review has been submitted and all is in order • Rep role has been reviewed and existing reps need to re-apply by 10 December. BB is keen to do so and continue with the four areas he supports, including Boston. • Open data workshop event is on 3 December. • Local Trust has taken on a journalist, Louise Tickle, we can draw upon locally. • There is a new blog on the website about when the money runs out. In summary, the programme ends on 31 March 2026 which means local areas should be wrapping things up by the autumn of 2025. No transactions can be made after the end date, nor payments made before then for activity due to happen afterwards. The partnership wants to continue considering ongoing issues of legacy and sustainability. 	DB

4.	<p>Doing things: Creating Civic Change received 65 Big Local bids for 5 places. Boston was not successful but the bid offers ideas to consider in the new plan. Art groups tended to focus on their own financial needs, but BBL is also interested in how they can work to a common goal, for example as a Guild with links to the Guildhall history. These ideas need more research among residents Individual groups are now more aware of BBL and can apply to Community Chest or events pots. AGREED: Funding for Embroiders Guild and Boston Woodcarvers will be included in the new plan under 1.5.2 health and wellbeing, with Fran’s developmental work helping explore other arts related opportunities (see below)</p>	
	<p>Building the plan: SEE SPREADSHEET</p> <p><u>Orange:</u> questions remaining 1.1.1 Provision of affordable transport: ACTION: talk with them to determine their financial position; Partnership is not assuming further funding. <u>Red:</u> remove 3.2.1: Improve facilities; this sum of £4k is insignificant in the scale of potential costs for example of solar panels. Thus as and when a project arises, the partnership will consider it and submit a further plan if required. <u>Green:</u> approve All remaining activities on the spreadsheet were approved for inclusion in the new plan, with some proposed changes to budgets. Additional comments and agreements from the partnership are below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1.4.1 Art for Dementia; suggest to DB whether an increase to £8k would be beneficial. • 2.1.1 Environmental responsibility to reduce to £15k and include development of Shed project (MG) • 2.2.1: Boston in Bloom to receive £10k; NB: since meeting, Buoys project confirmed for new plan and entered into spreadsheet at £14k as 2.2.2 • 3.1.4 1940s and beach events may include some fundraising through stalls but entrance and the main attractions will remain free. This will allow a legacy pot to be established; CSR could also be drawn upon. Sustainability will require a mixed economy. • 3.1.5 Outreach by Fran Taylor is proposed in the new plan to share, inform, gather views among residents and energise community conversation and wider engagement with BBL. AGREED £7.5k: April 19 – March 20 outreach 1 day a week; April 20 – March 21 gathering views and priorities to feed into next plan due to run from 21 – 23. • 4.1.1 and 4.1.2, Citizens Advice and Credit Union approved; need to revisit during life of next plan issues of sustainability and self-financing. • 4.2.1 Hanse is proving an excellent project and great advertising for the town. AGREED to check whether it would be beneficial to increase budget to £10k • 5.1.4 now houses communications with a total 2 year budget of £11k <p>Gaps most evident currently are support to elderly people, children and people with mental health difficulties. Total investment: £226710; Current %Split: Theme 1: 21.6K; Theme 2: 58k; Theme 3: 89.93k; Theme 4: 26k; Theme 5: 31.18k; RT’s projections across years and themes and with or without a large project indicate this current budget is feasible and does not cut out a large scale (c£100k) investment in a future plan.</p>	RT

5.	Communications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Media Trust workshop went well and was valuable b. Concern raised over funding the Christmas lights: MB has drafted a response that was approved by the partnership. c. Keep the good stories to share coming in; RT's blog about who knows where they live is going on the site shortly. 	MB
6.	A.O.B. None	
7.	Date & Time of next meeting: Thursday 13 December 2018, Chantry House 5pm followed by White Hart at 7.30pm for the partnership.	

Meeting finished at 8.40pm.