



BBL Investments

Every four months our community chest and events panel meets to consider all funding applications. At our last meeting on the 3rd of September we funded the following projects:

5th Boston Scout Group

Although just outside the BBL area the 5th Boston Scout Group's application for a ramp to enter their building was approved because of the number of BBL residents who attend their group.



£1500

The Little Kitchen

This application for an event to celebrate vegan foods was lapped up by the panel because it would be held in the BBL area, was inclusive and aimed to become self-sustaining.



£1500

Boston Model Fairground Show

Our investment in this show at the Guildhall in the BBL area helps this show continue for the next few years.



£350

NACRO (Adult Centre High Street)

A separate charity from NACRO at South Square, the NACRO Adult Centre required funding for a chest freezer & tabletop cooker to help support its attendees. We were happy to help.



£500

Boston Orchestra

With many instruments in need of repair as well as plans to purchase new ones, this group required our funding to be able to continue. Their application hit the correct notes and we were only too happy to help.



£1500

NACRO (South Square)

Due to the great success of a previous application, we are pleased to invest further into this charity's physical education equipment for its pupils.



£1000

Sibsey Baby & Toddler Group

With many of the attendees of this group being from the BBL area, we were happy to help buy new toys and repair their shed so the new toys will be protected from damage.



£750

Spilsby Christian Fellowship

After the success of the Spilsby Uniform Bank which shares used uniforms to families who may not be able to afford new ones. We are pleased to help fund the set of the Uniform Bank in the BBL area at Haven High.

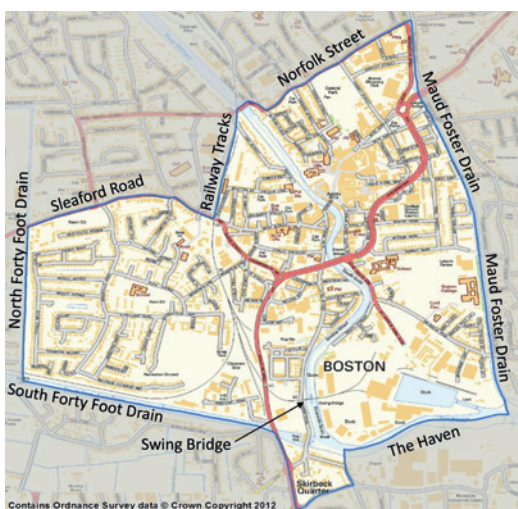


£1465

Can we help you fund your event or project?

Our funding panel meets next in January 2020. If you would like to apply for support please simply complete our 5 Minute Funding Form at the web address below & we will consider your application.

www.bostonbiglocal.co.uk/funding/



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Our vision is for a happy vibrant area where people feel a sense of belonging



Boston Big Local

Residents Leading Change

2019 Autumn Edition

JOIN US AND HELP SPEND £1MILLION

Boston Big Local meet on the 2nd Thursday of each month at Chantry House. The meeting starts at 6 pm and usually finishes at around 8 pm.

If you live in the BBL area (see map on the back page) and are over 16 years old, please do pop us an email to let us know that you would like to attend our next meeting.

Each month we discuss future ideas for different projects, our

2-year plan and what we have achieved since we met last.

As you can see from our spending thermometer, we have, so far, spent £465,000 which means you could help invest the remaining £535,000 into the community and area in which you live.

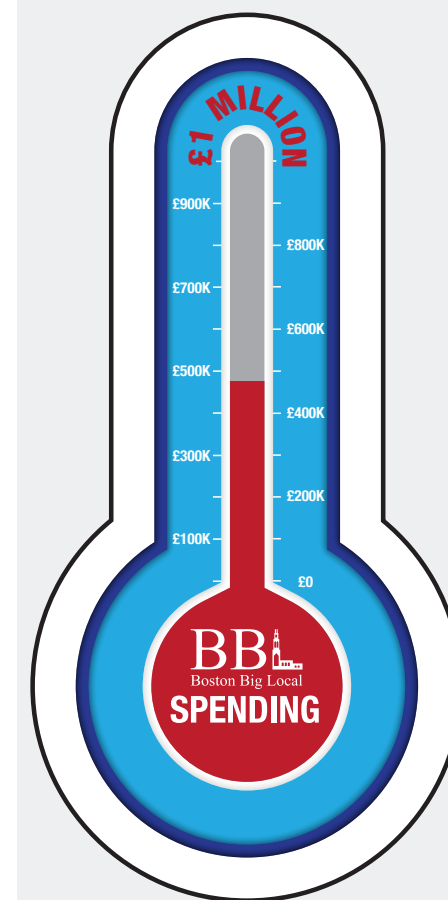


To share your interest in joining BBL please email us at:

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Don Jenkins (Vice Chair), Katy Roberts (Plan Coordinator) and Richard Tory (BBL Chair).



The BBL £1 Million has to be spent by 2025

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We have been given 10 years to spend £1 Million in the BBL area. After 2025, BBL will be no longer and we want to make sure our investments are felt for years to come.

2019 Beach Event

For the last few summers, we have invested in the installation of the beach in central park, along with a few events for children, the elderly, people with dementia and those who experience learning difficulties.

This year, the main beach event was held on the 15 and 16th of August. Even though the weather was not perfect, it was well attended.

Along with the beach, this year there was also giant tortoises, donkey rides and many other activities for children to participate in.

Let's be honest, what is a trip to the beach without ice cream. So we sorted that by placing a £400 kitty in the ice cream van so that every child who attended could have free ice cream.

In addition to the two day beach event there were also special beach days for parts of the community to come and

experience the seaside:

- **Fun in the sun** was held on the 23rd July for those with additional needs and their carer's. The feedback was very positive:

"No one wanted to go home"

"Hope these sessions are repeated as the 3 young people I brought along have had so much fun. It's brilliant thank you."

- **Back in Time** was held for people with dementia on the 30th July and once again on the 20th August. One attendee shared:

"I have really enjoyed watching my mum here at the beach. she has loved it."

- **Golden Time** was held on the 6th and 22nd of August for the elderly population. More positive views:

"This has been fab. I have really enjoyed it. The singing was brilliant. Please, please do it again."



Let's Play!



Working together



Free Ice Cream For Every Child



Already to go!



Giant tortoises



Donkey Rides

This year we contributed £8500 (plus the ice cream money) to enable the beach and the events to happen.

Initial estimates suggest that, including public visits, the beach was used by around 10,000 people! That means our investment works out at less than £1 per person. Though I am sure you will agree our investment in the beach has had a much bigger impact on those who attended and experienced the beach.

The way BBL has set itself up is to facilitate events and community activities and not to run them. This ensures that we act as an enabler.

With this in mind, such a popular event would not be possible without Boston Borough Council organising it. A job the council continues to do so well.

Here are some further comments:

"Lovely day out for the children and it's FREE I couldn't believe it."

"This is an excellent event and brings the community together and it is even better that is FREE"

"Fantastic event for the whole family to enjoy. Amazing that it is FREE. The children have had a great time."

Due to the popularity of this event, we are pleased to say that we are delighted to be funding it again in 2020.

We look forward to seeing you at the beach next year.

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DID YOU KNOW?

We have set £100,000 aside for a major project in our final year (2025). What would you like it spent on? Let us know by emailing info@bostonbiglocal.co.uk

