# Boston Big Local Meeting 10<sup>th</sup> November 2022 The Local Community Centre, Boston

Name	Title	Resident/	Apologies
		Non Resident	
Richard Tory (RT)	Chair	R	
Don Jenkins (DJ)	Deputy Chair	R	
Mike Gilbert (MG)		R	
Mark Baker (MB)	Communications	R	
Carole Lloyd (CL)		R	Yes
Graham Lloyd (GL)		R	Yes
Jody Raggo (JR)		R	
Izabella Meyer (IM)		R	
Lind Anso Edwards (LAE)		R	
Jo Snell (JS)		R	
Katy Roberts (KR)	Plan Coordinator	NR	
Darren Bayley (DB)	LTO	NR	
Bill Badham (BB)	Big Local Rep	NR	
Fran Taylor (FT)	Boston Borough Council	NR	Yes

		ACTION	
1.	Welcome and apologies: Apologies received from CL, GL, and FT.		
2.	Approve minutes of last meeting: Minutes were read and agreed as a true		
	record, proposed RT, seconded JR.		
3.	Matters arising not on the main agenda:		
	Nothing noted.		
4.	Running things:		
	A. LTO Update:		
	Financial reports were circulated prior to the meeting. Bank balance as at 10 <sup>th</sup>		
	November 2022 - £44,127.72		
	Current Plan Spend by Theme (Year 7/8)		
	o Theme 1 = £29,334.62		
	o Theme 2 = £62,824.97		
	o Theme 3 = £70,461.25		
	o Theme 4 = £55,310.75		
	<ul> <li>Theme 5 = £28,171.53</li> <li>BBL expenditure to date: Year 7/8: £246,103.12</li> </ul>		
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	All payments are up to date. DB to speak with Local Trust regarding the release of the final payment.		
	B. BL Rep updates:		
	BB has spoken to James Goodman, of Local Trust, regarding possible visit and an April visit has been pencilled in. BB to confirm nearer the time. BB would like to arrange time with the group to carry out the Plan Review ahead of the new Plan development. Agreed to focus on this at the December meeting before having a Christmas Meal. KR to contact Italian Connection and book a table for	KR	
	7.15pm.		
5.	Doing things:		
	A. Review of Q2 Activities		
	KR had circulated two reports that had arrived after the last reports had been		
	circulated. Concerns again raised that the Boston Woodcarvers activity is	55	
	predominantly out of the area. Noted that there are some efforts in trying to	BB	

return to the BBL area but the group would like to see more effort in doing activities in the BBL area in the final two quarters of this plan. All happy with the report from Lincolnshire Housing Partnership. KR updated on LCVS activity due to the Co-ordinator recovering from an injury. All wished her well and were happy with the proposed way forward. It was also noted that there was a new Chief Officer at CAML. KR to make contact with her.

ACTION

KR

#### B. Schools Heritage Project

RT advised the group that he had found an old Schools Atlas in his possession, published in 1939. He had originally intended to donate to We'll Meet Again, however has had the copy scanned at his own cost and got prices for reproduction. He proposed donating a number of copies to the schools in the area. RT has got prices for various quantities and wondered if BBL would be happy to support this project. KR to speak to a local primary school teacher to see if this would be of interest to schools. All present was happy to go ahead subject to a favourable response from the teacher.

### C. 2023/24 Plan Development

Following the Annual Meeting, the presentation has now been uploaded to the BBL website. KR has drawn down the Local Area report from Local Insight, which contains some updates from the 2021 census. Noted that the report now shows 55% of residents were born in the UK and 45% out of the UK. KR to review the full document.

KR

## D. Date for January Community Chest Meeting

Noted the proposed date for January's Community Chest meeting is the day after the Bank Holiday. Felt it best to move to the end of the month to maximise the opportunity to apply for funds. MB to start advertising on social media.

### E. Update from BBC re Play Equipment

KR read out an email from FT. At the most recent Boston Town Area Committee meeting, it was agreed to carry out improvements to Central Park Play Area with new surfacing, benches and new play equipment – estimated cost £65,033 - To be paid through BTAC; BBL project on St Johns Play Area for a three piece ship consisting of the Bow, Crow's Nest and Stern – estimated cost £33.655 - To be paid through £25.000 BBL and the rest BTAC: Two Tennis Tables on Garfits Lane Play Area – estimated cost £14,000 – To be paid by Section 106 budget and the replacement of the Pirate Ship On Woodville Road estimated cost £46,853 – To be paid by BTAC. This is an increase of £13,000 since the previous Pirate Ship was installed. FT is hopeful that by linking all of these projects together it will get better value for money and more discount by offering one tender for all of these projects combined. FT is currently completing the Tender form for procurement now. She asked if BBL would consider erecting a chicane entrance/exit at either end of the play area to Central Park to eliminate cycles riding straight through the play area, costs of approx. £3000. KR advised there would be underspends within the Plan and asked for residents views. JR felt that it should go through the Community Chest process. KR to go back to FT regarding submitting an application.

KR

#### F. Rotary Club Good Causes

KR had been approached by the Rotary Club regarding suggestions for good causes that the Club could support who support vulnerable local people. Residents discussed possibilities and suggested Restore Pantry, Boston Community Transport and the Talking Newspaper initially. KR to email.

KR

	G. Boston Monopoly KR has two boxes of Monopolies in her office and wondered if the group wanted to donate a box to local organisations for fundraising. Residents suggested Headway Lincolnshire and Boston Samaritans.	ACTION
6.	Communications Update:  MB updated that the newsletter has been printed and delivered. He continues to share posts on social media and will start the Community Chest marketing. KR asked for the Trumps cards to be advertised.	
7.	<b>AOB Review Workshop:</b> BB advised that as part of the closing down of the Big Local there is a requirement to have a review workshop. The group felt it was best to do this in the summer next year, once the final plan is up and running. <b>Dirty Rotten Scoundrels:</b> KR reminded about Dirty Rotten Scoundrels, on Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> November 2022.	
8.	Date and Time of next meeting: Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December: Residents Meeting 6pm, The Local Community Centre, Boston, followed by Christmas Meal at Italian Connection at 7.15pm.	

Meeting finished at 7.30pm.