

Boston Big Local Meeting 9th January 2020
Chantry House, Boston

Name	Title	Resident/ Non Resident	Apologies
Richard Tory (RT)	Chair	R	
Don Jenkins (DJ)	Deputy Chair	R	
Lind Anso Edwards (LAE)		R	
Mike Gilbert (MG)		R	
Mark Baker (MB)	Communications	R	
Carole Lloyd (CL)		R	
Graham Lloyd (GL)		R	
Nick Thompson (NT)		R	
Jody Raggio (JR)	3rd meeting	R	
Izabella Meyer (IM)	3rd meeting	R	
Katy Roberts (KR)	Plan Coordinator	NR	
Darren Bayley (DB)	LTO	NR	
Bill Badham (BB)	Big Local Rep	NR	
Fran Taylor (FT)	Council and BBL	NR	

	Today's meeting started at 5pm to allow attendance by a number of members at the Identity, Belonging and the Role of the Media in Brexit Britain event that BBL members had contributed to.	ACTION
1.	Apologies: No apologies received.	
2.	Approve minutes of last meeting: Minutes were read and agreed as a true record, proposed JR seconded MB.	
3.	Matters arising not on the main agenda: KR informed the group that the Community Leadership Academy deadline has been extended and that she had nominated RT to take part. RT is awaiting further details from Local Trust.	
4.	Running things: A. LTO Update – DB presented the monthly budget report, confirming: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bank balance at 8th January 2020: £47,326.27 • Year 5 Spend by Theme <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Theme 1 = £13,480.19 ○ Theme 2 = £30,423.22 ○ Theme 3 = £27,235.83 ○ Theme 4 = £4,946.50 ○ Theme 5 = £13,372.63 ○ BBL expenditure to date: £89,458.37 • Overspend 1.3.2 by £422. This relates to the cancelled event due to the weather. • Overspend by 2.1.1. by £1,544. This relates to increased costs in the environmental project due to start-up costs. Agreed with Boston Borough Council that next year's budget will be reduced. • Overspend on 2.3.1 by £9,500. The cost of the Pirate Ship was spread over two years in the BBL plan and should have been in one hit. • Overspend 5.2.1 by £116. This relates to insurance that had not been budgeted for. • Overspend 5.3.1 by £1,918. This relates to using SPS for the delivery of the leaflets. • Underspend: Nothing to report 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outstanding invoices: Nothing to report <p>MB confirmed that he hadn't heard back from the Scouts regarding taking on the delivery for future newsletters which should reduce the costs of delivery but also keep the money in the local area.</p> <p>B. BL Rep updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BB has completed his quarterly report which MB has put on the BBL website. Within the report is a link to a report, which is a review of the Big Local Programme so far as the overall programme has reached its halfway mark. He suggested this may be good to pass on to allies within the community such as the local Council. • https://localtrust.org.uk/insights/research/the-halfway-point/ • KR will print off copies and circulate the link to the group. The group can then agree who to give copies to. 	<p>ACTION</p> <p>KR</p>
5.	<p>Doing things:</p> <p><u>A. Discussion of Quarterly Reports and approval of spend for Q3 2019</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Embroiderers Guild</u> <p>FT confirmed that she was aware that the Guild have been approaching groups regarding the larger panel that they are designing. All happy with the report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Boston Woodcarvers</u> <p>All happy with the report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Arts for Dementia – LHP</u> <p>The group were happy with the report. KR noted to MB that the report itself was too large to send due to the amount of images and she would find a way of sending over so that it could be added to the website.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Boston Samaritans</u> <p>All happy with the report. KR informed the group that the Director had left her position with Boston Samaritans as part of the normal cycle of Directorship at the organisation. She had passed on her thanks to the residents for their support. MB confirmed a recruitment exercise would be carried out in the new year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Boston In Bloom</u> <p>KR informed the group in case they were not aware that Alison Fairman had been awarded the BEM in the recent New Year's Honours. All happy with the report and the work that Bloom were doing in the town.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>The Buoys Project</u> <p>Alison Fairman provided a report on behalf of the Buoys Project on progress so far. All happy with the report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Community Consultation</u> <p>FT presented her report to the group. She was still concerned that she was not coming across larger projects. KR felt that the quality of Community Chest submissions was better and this may be a knock on from Fran's work in the community. FT and KR to look at ideas for how we can celebrate BBL in the community. This could be as part of the AGM. All happy with the report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Neil Watson Photography</u> <p>The group were happy with the report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Citizens Advice Mid Lincolnshire</u> <p>KR informed the group that Kate Bird has left CAML and thanked the group for their support over the years. All happy with the report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Boston Hanse Group</u> 	<p>KR</p> <p>KR/FT</p>

	<p>KR circulated the leaflet that the group had produced and was being used to promote the work of the Hanse Group. All happy with the report.</p> <p>The invoices provided were signed and KR to send to Lincoln for payment.</p> <p><u>B. Connecting with Science/Artist in Residence Pilot Updates</u> KR updated the group about progress with these projects. She had spoken with Ivett and Christina from the British Science Association before the meeting. They are keen to visit Boston as it is an area that had been identified as not being particularly engaged with science activities. Typically they found areas that didn't have an immediate access to a university. They suggested meeting later in January with the residents to discuss what could be organised as part of National Science Week in March 2020. They have suggested the 22nd or 23rd January. KR asked for volunteers to meet with them. RT, IM, JR, DJ, FT and MB all said they could be available on the 22nd. KR to go back to the British Science Association and report back to the group.</p> <p>KR had also spoken with Grace Bremnar at the Local Trust before the meeting to find out more about the Artist In Residence Pilot. She explained about the two unallocated pots of arts related monies as well as the telephone box idea that had been discussed before Christmas. Grace had explained that at this stage the Local Trust just wanted to know the areas that may be interested in taking part in the Artist In Residence programme and she would be in touch in due course.</p>	<p>ACTION</p> <p>KR</p> <p>KR</p>
6.	<p>Communications update: MB explained that the newsletter had been delivered to Peterborough and is being prepared for delivery. He updated the group on the Facebook activity since the last meeting. This had included some Christmas and New Year themed notices about the Funding Panel.</p> <p>He noted that the funding form had an issue on deadline day. This was rectified and we allowed applications up until the day to be included in the panel.</p>	
7.	<p>A.O.B.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KR provided an update on the LCVS project. An amended activity schedule had been sent over to LCVS before Christmas and they were happy to start the project. A new activity line would need to be inserted into the Plan and a full SLA produced and sent out. It was hoped that the member of staff would now in place. 	
8.	<p>Date & Time of next meeting: Thursday 13th February 2020. Chantry House 6pm.</p>	

Meeting finished at 6.25pm.