

**Boston Big Local Meeting 12<sup>th</sup> August 2021**  
**The Local Community Centre, Boston**

Name	Title	Resident/ Non Resident	Apologies
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	Yes
Lind Anso Edwards (LAE)		R	
Katy Roberts (KR)	Plan Coordinator	NR	
Darren Bayley (DB)	LTO	NR	Yes
Bill Badham (BB)	Big Local Rep	NR	

		ACTION
1.	<b>Apologies:</b> Apologies received from CL, GL, IM and DB. The residents wished to pass their condolences to DB following the recent loss of his father. The group welcomed back LAE who was returning to meetings following the lifting of COVID restrictions.	
2.	<b>Approve minutes of last meeting:</b> Minutes were read and agreed as a true record, proposed MB, seconded MG.	
3.	<p><b>Matters arising not on the main agenda:</b></p> <p><b>Rachel Rowney visit:</b> Rachel Rowney will be attending the November meeting. If the weather is favourable, KR will organise a tour of the town centre to show some of the BBL funded projects.</p> <p><b>Centre for Homelessness Impact:</b> A meeting with interested organisations is scheduled to take place on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2021 at 6pm. MG asked for the invite to be forwarded to him.</p> <p><b>Advertising board:</b> MB has received quotes for space on the smart advertising board. Prices range from £200 to £400 (depending on the length of time the advert is on the rotation). Also noticed that there are A1 poster space for rent in Pescod Square. The group agreed that the interactive board was worth pursuing.</p> <p><b>LCVS:</b> KR circulated Jackie Lane's monthly update to the group. JR confirmed a Rivercare event would take place on Saturday starting at the Rowing Club and a Naturehood session was also planned for next week in Central Park.</p>	<b>KR</b>
4.	<p><b>Running things:</b></p> <p>A. LTO Update – No reports this month due to DB's compassionate leave. KR noted that she had had confirmation that the Spend Report has been accepted and a request to return the underspend had been received. This, together with the LTO fee, was £13,009. She will forward to Age UK to action. DB had confirmed to KR that all invoices had been paid.</p> <p>B. BL Rep updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BB had no updates. JR raised his annoyance that Local Trust had not responded to the workshop idea that had been submitted and that the programme was started to be revealed. BB felt that the full event was not completed yet but understood that JR and RT would need to know soon if a workshop is needed to prepare for it.</li> </ul>	

5.	<b>Doing things:</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
	<p><u>A. Boston Monopoly</u>            KR reported that she had received notification that due to the pandemic the production line was severely delayed. A slot has now been allocated for the Boston game but delivery was now scheduled for 8<sup>th</sup> December. This does leave only a small window for sales prior to Christmas. The group discussed producing a Pre-sales/Pre-order form to provide to resellers so we can quickly get boards to them. KR to speak with Winning Moves in early September to check that all is still fine with the dates given and produce the form as and when this is confirmed.</p>	KR
	<p><u>B. Day After Tomorrow project</u>            KR provided an information sheet about the Day After Tomorrow group which has been formed by some Big Local areas to look at what services and support is put in place for areas once Local Trust funding has ended. The group discussed what their thoughts were for Boston. At this point, there wasn't a strong feeling towards seeing a function after the Local Trust support ended. JR will feedback the group's views to Yvonne Griggs in Birchwood. KR reminded the group that a survey is also available for thoughts and can be accessed at <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/DAT_Survey1_until_August_20th_2021">https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/DAT_Survey1_until_August_20th_2021</a>. As a separate discussion, the group also discussed a legacy celebration event. Rather than producing a book or physical structure, it was suggested having a display of newsletters and ask for input and reflection on what BBL has achieved and its impact.</p>	JR
	<p><u>C. Local Trust Research – Working with Public Bodies</u>            BB had been approached by Local Trust to see if Boston would be interested in taking part in Local Trust commissioned research into the relationships between Big Local areas and Public Bodies. This will involve a mapping exercise which residents can input into and a structured facilitated discussion with RT and KR as well as a couple of representatives from Boston Borough Council. RT and KR has had an initial meeting with Graeme Fancourt and KR has approached the Council. The mapping will take part in September's Partnership meeting, with the discussion taking place either the afternoon before or the morning after.</p>	
	<p><u>D. Events 2022</u>            KR has met with Fran Taylor to start to discuss plans for events for 2022. FT is starting to plan a programme of events. Possible ideas include the Beach event, and possibly a week-long "Carnival" of events around the Park. FT is organising a Skate Jam for this weekend and she will speak with the organisers of this to see what the costs involved are. Residents also suggested reintroducing the Showcase event.</p>	
	<p>KR mentioned that an application has been received for consideration at the next Community Chest Panel for a Platinum Jubilee event. She has discussed the concept with FT and she is going to look into it as at previous meetings residents were keen to do something to mark the occasion. The applicant had also applied for funding with BTAC and has been turned down and reported this on social media. The event would need to have permissions in place with the Local Authorities involved and the applicant would need to liaise with staff to get the event off the ground. KR to email FT to discuss further.</p>	KR

6.	<p><b>Communications</b></p> <p>MB shared a draft version of the latest newsletter with the group. This was reviewed and amendments made. JR asked if more about what is happening with LCVS could be included in the survey section. JR to forward some pictures from the Rivercare event on Saturday. MB is advertising the Community Chest funding panel on social media.</p>	<p><b>ACTION</b></p> <p><b>JR</b></p>
7.	<p><b>A.O.B.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MG put forward an idea on evaluating the social value of the impact that Boston Big Local has had on community spirit and the value of volunteering in the area as a legacy project. The group agreed to look into this. KR to explore what could be accessed to help shape this.</li> <li>• MB has been approached by Dan at LMVC regarding some new equipment for the Conference Room to help facilitate hybrid meetings. This would likely be in excess of the Community Chest application limit. KR suggested looking into the Unallocated Pots process.</li> <li>• KR informed the group that Nacro has lost it's adult learning contract for delivery out of High Street. BBL had provided funding for the purchase of equipment for the Breakfast Club and had been approached by Nacro if the items could be gifted onto another organisation in the BBL area. The group is happy for this to be done. KR to speak with Tracey Griggs regarding next steps.</li> <li>• DJ highlighted that the Railway Memories book, produced by Neil Watson, has now gone on sale. BBL has been acknowledged.</li> </ul>	<p><b>KR</b></p> <p><b>KR</b></p>
8.	<p><b>Date and Time of next meeting: Community Chest Panel, Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September, 5.30pm. Residents Meeting: Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> September, 5.30pm, at The Local Community Centre, Mitre Square, Boston.</b></p>	

Meeting finished at 7.30pm