

**Boston Big Local Meeting 14<sup>th</sup> April 2022**  
**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	
Graham Lloyd (GL)		R	
Jody Raggo (JR)		R	
Izabella Meyer (IM)		R	
Lind Anso Edwards (LAE)		R	Yes
Jo Snell (JS)		R	
Katy Roberts (KR)	Plan Coordinator	NR	
Darren Bayley (DB)	LTO	NR	Yes
Bill Badham (BB)	Big Local Rep	NR	
Fran Taylor (FT)	Boston Borough Council	NR	Yes

		<b>ACTION</b>
1.	<b>Welcome and apologies:</b> Apologies received from LAE and DB	
2.	<b>Approve minutes of last meeting:</b> Minutes were read and agreed as a true record, proposed DJ, seconded JR.	
3.	<p><b>Matters arising not on the main agenda:</b></p> <p><b>Restore Pantry:</b> KR has prepared the SLA for Restore Pantry and explained payments with them.</p> <p><b>Blackfriars Arts Centre:</b> It has been clarified that the Centre did still require the BBL funding that had been allocated in the plan. An invoice has been raised and sent for payment.</p> <p><b>Boston Community Transport:</b> KR has received thanks from Angela Gould for the funding support. This has already started to filter through to the volunteer drivers and there is a plan and process set-up for distributing.</p> <p><b>Communications:</b> KR noted that she had been approached following the last partnership meeting regarding by an organisation. There had been mixed messages given to them, which were resolved.</p> <p><b>Investigation:</b> Partnership members made aware of an incident. DB is looking into processes and will feedback when an internal review has concluded.</p>	
4.	<p><b>Running things:</b></p> <p>A. LTO Update – DB on annual leave and reports not received prior to meeting. If anything of note, this will be circulated on his return.</p> <p>B. BL Rep updates:  BB confirmed that the Big Local Connects dates had now been firmed up. It will take place on 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> September at Nottingham again. KR said that she will book three places when the bookings open and asked residents to let her know if they would like to attend. Travel and accommodation costs are covered. KR to circulate an email after the meeting. BB also indicated that there could be some organisational changes at Local Trust.</p>	<b>KR</b>
5.	<p><b>Doing things:</b></p> <p>A. <u>Approve Q4 Activity Reports and Invoices</u>  KR noted that invoices would be circulated for approval after the meeting.</p> <p><b>Boston Stitches:</b> All happy with the report.</p>	

<p><b>Boston Woodcarvers:</b> Group concerned that activity is not happening in the BBL area. KR to approach the group for clarification.</p> <p><b>Memory Lane:</b> All happy with the report and approved invoice.</p> <p><b>BOSFIT:</b> Report and proposed activity schedule has been received. Group raised concerns about the lack of online activity and that Broadway Boogie was only being offered face to face to members of the Centre rather than to the wider public. KR to ask for more information.</p> <p><b>Boston Samaritans:</b> All happy with the report and approved invoice.</p> <p><b>BBC Environmental Work:</b> No report received. Group raised concerns that only one report has been received during the year. JR believed that Sarita Barton is new contact there. KR to make contact.</p> <p><b>Boston In Bloom:</b> All happy with the report. Invoice approved.</p> <p><b>Five Lamps:</b> All happy with report.</p> <p><b>LCVS:</b> All happy with report. Invoice approved.</p> <p><b>Friendly Bench:</b> All happy with report. Invoice approved.</p> <p><b>CAML:</b> All happy with report. Invoice approved.</p>	<p><b>ACTION</b></p> <p><b>KR</b></p> <p><b>KR</b></p> <p><b>KR</b></p>
<p><u>B. Boston Belle meeting</u></p> <p>RT and KR attended a meeting with Boston Belle, Boston Borough Council and Business Lincolnshire to look at options for the organisation moving forward. Support is going to be provided by the Visitor Economy team at Business Lincolnshire to look at tourism options and structures. Due to its set-up and not having premises, there had been little support via COVID grants as it was ineligible to access. The Belle has asked for funding support from BBL to cover costs to help get the boats back on the water for this season, at which point the income from the trips planned will help keep the business afloat. The group agreed to support.</p> <p><u>C. Unallocated Funding Application</u></p> <p>Information circulated before the meeting about an application for a contribution towards new gym equipment in Central Park. The group noted how well used the equipment is used. The contribution is part of a larger project which is supported by BTAC. The group agreed to support.</p> <p><u>D. Possible project with LCVS/Pescod Square</u></p> <p>KR had had initial conversations with Jackie Lane at LCVS about an environmental/recycling themed project in Pescod Square. This involved the creation of a structure where people can deposit plastic bottles. Ideas included a fish theme to tie in with Pescod's links to herring fishing. Total project costs were estimated at £22,000. The group did not feel it was something they would like to pursue at this stage.</p> <p><u>E. Boston Monopoly update</u></p> <p>RT reported that the Full Council of Boston Borough Council had met on Monday and planned to recognise Boston Big Local for its Services To The Community for the production of the Boston Monopoly game. There are no further details at the moment but once received it will be passed on to the group.</p> <p><u>F. Community Chest date</u></p> <p>The next meeting of the Community Chest panel is in May. The group looked at options for dates and agreed on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May.</p>	

6.	<b>Communications Update:</b> Newsletter has been printed and deliveries have started. MB has been sharing posts on Facebook about the Friendly Bench and the upcoming Community Chest Panel. MB will upload the activity reports to the website.	<b>ACTION</b>
6.	<b>A.O.B.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MG asked about the Children of Courage event funding.</li> <li>• JR is collating a list of everyone that has been supported by Boston Big Local. He will share once completed.</li> </ul>	
8.	<b>Date and Time of next meeting:</b> <b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 6pm: Community Chest Panel, The Local Community Centre, Mitre Lane, Boston.</b> <b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May, 6pm: Residents Meeting, at The Local Community Centre, Mitre Lane, Boston.</b>	

Meeting finished at 7.50pm.