

### **BBL Investments**

Every four months our community chest and events panel meets to consider all funding applications. At our last meeting in September 2022 we funded the following projects:

### Boston & S. Holland Talking Newspaper

Covering expenses like travelling, running costs and weekly newspapers will help keep their service active.





#### **Nacro Education**

To purchase five massage beds and equipment for students to use for training and at sporting events for Pre and Post Sports Massage Therapy.



£1500



To recruit, train and equip all of the locally based Emergency Responders. The funding will support LIVES in maintaining their Boston Emergency Responder service.



### **Boston Lithuanian Community**

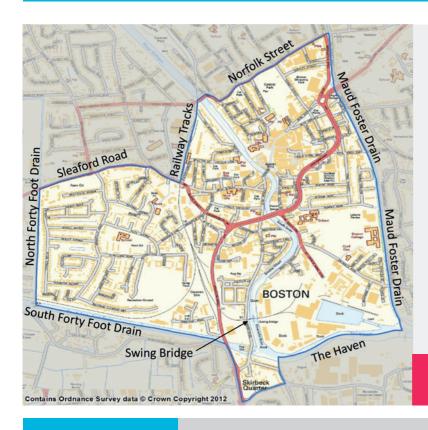
This funding will be used to help hire the Gliderdrome for their Christmas event along with the equipment, microphones, lights, speakers, snow effects and a technician.



### Can we help you fund your event or project?



www.bostonbiglocal.co.uk/funding/





learn more at:

www.bostonbiglocal.co.uk/area/



To get updates on Boston Big Local, subscribe to our newsletter at bostonbiglocal.co.uk, like our Facebook page or follow @bostonbiglocal on Twitter

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



# SHAKE CUPPA

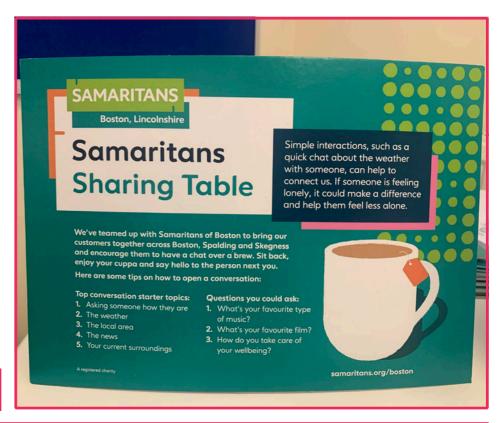
For the last few years, we have supported Boston Samaritans' Mental Wellbeing outreach projects.

We have funded posters and banners along with a table and pop up displays for their stalls that have been used all around the area.

Next time you pop in to town for a cuppa, keep an eye out for Boston Samaritans' project of collaborating with local coffee shops and pubs who have agreed to display sharing table signs. Signs which encourage people to have a conversation with whoever is sat at that table.

Continues on

Page 3



This issue:

Pg 2 - Life's a beach Pg 3 - Pirate ship fire Pg 4 - Investments



# FUNDING FOR YOUR GRO

If your group supports or is in the BBL area(see back page) we may be able to help Learn more and apply at www.bostonbiglocal.co.uk/funding

### Life's a beach

One of our showpiece events each year has been the Beach in central park.

BBL have funded the sand and the installation of the beach.

In addition to this, we also provide the funding to enable Boston Borough Council to run multiple events at the beach.

All of the events have always been so well received with all who attend enjoying what is on offer.

We so hope that the beach event is able to continue after BBL finishes after completeing its 10 years in the coming 18 months.

The beach events that we funded for Boston Borough Council to run this year have been:

**21st July** Teddy Bears Picnic

**26th July** 

Sing-a-long around the beach for those over 50 and those living with dementia

28th July

Fun in the sun for those living with additional support needs

18th& 19th August

The Boston Beach Event with Donkeys, Giant Tortoises, Face Painting, Bouncy Castles, Art and Crafts, Competitions and much more.



Teddy Bears Picnic



Beach Event



Sing-a-long around the beach



Botolph bear at the picnic

# Share a cuppa

The sharing table sign states:

"Simple interactions, such as a quick chat about the weather with someone, can help to connect us. If someone is feeling lonely, it could make a difference and help them feel less alone.

Sit back, enjoy your cuppa and say hello to the person next to you."

Some of the venues around town that have kindly agreed to display the sharing table signs are:



Church Keys



Cafe De Paris



The Greenhouse

## Pirate ship fire



Installed and opened in 2019



Set on fire on 16th September 2022

Woodville Road play area, around 21:30 on the 16th September vandals set fire to the Pirate ship play equipment that we funded with £32,000 back in 2019.

No arrests have been made but the police are appealing for anyone with information to contact them.

Council leader Paul Skinner said: "It is extremely disappointing that anyone would commit such a mindless and needless act of vandalism to a popular piece of play equipment which was funded by Boston Big Local and was used by the children in our community.

"These actions have meant that certain parts of the park are now out of use. I urge anyone with any information to come forward and help the police with their investigations."

If you have any information

**Call 101** 

DID YOU KNOW?

Since we formed in 2015 we have invested around £875k into the BBL area. We have less than 2 years left to invest the remaining £325K! Help us do this at www.bostonbiglocal.co.uk

