

Boston Big Local Meeting 13th April 2023
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	Yes
Jody Raggo (JR)		R	
Izabella Meyer (IM)		R	Yes
Lind Anso Edwards (LAE)		R	Yes
Jo Snell (JS)		R	
Richard Thornalley (RT)		R	First meeting
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
Lily Staunton-Howe (LSH)	Local Trust	NR	

		ACTION
1.	Welcome and apologies: Apologies received from IM, GL and LA. LSH was welcomed to the meeting. She was given a brief tour earlier in the afternoon of the BBL area. She explained her role within the Legacy Team and the offers of support available to Big Local areas.	
2.	Approve minutes of last meeting: Minutes were read and agreed as a true record, proposed DJ, seconded RT.	
3.	Matters arising not on the main agenda: None recorded.	
4.	<p>Running things:</p> <p>A. LTO Update: Financial reports were circulated prior to the meeting. Bank balance as at 12th April 2023 - £165,726.08. For years 7/8 the bank balance was £32,996.63. Current Plan Spend by Theme (Year 7/8)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Theme 1 = £34,259.62 o Theme 2 = £71,981.03 o Theme 3 = £94,679.45 o Theme 4 = £57,810.75 o Theme 5 = £36,785.36 o BBL expenditure to date: Year 7/8: £295,516.21 <p>DB noted that the final plan had been agreed before the end of March and the first payment for the new plan had been received. All payments to be made are up to date. DB has not received the return of the Beach event funding and will follow up. KR confident that all main Plan invoices had been received but there were two Community Chests that had not returned paperwork. DB to submit the final Spend Report relating to the Year 7/8 plan by 27th April 2023. KR to contact applicants.</p> <p>B. BL Rep updates:</p>	<p>DB</p> <p>KR</p>

	BB reminded the group of the Make It Happens offered and that Big Local Connects is happening in Nottingham on October 27 th and 28 th . Bookings to open in May.	
5.	<p>Doing things:</p> <p><u>A. Approval of Quarter 4 reports and invoices</u></p> <p>Boston Stitchers: All happy with report. Invoice has been submitted which took Group over allocation. All happy to approve the spend. KR, JR and DJ had met with the group at Celebrate Boston and suggested inviting to a future meeting to showcase the work completed so far.</p> <p>Memory Lane: All happy with report and invoice approved.</p> <p>Boston Samaritans: All happy with report and invoice approved.</p> <p>Restore Church: All happy with report and invoice approved.</p> <p>Boston in Bloom: All happy with report and invoice approved.</p> <p>LCVS: All happy with report and invoice approved.</p> <p>St John's Road Play Equipment: FT had circulated an update via email. Process currently on hold until after the forthcoming Local Elections. However there has been a tender process, a supplier has been chosen and purchase to go ahead following the first meeting of BTAC after the elections in May.</p> <p>Citizens Advice Mid-Lincs: All happy with report and invoice approved.</p> <p><u>B. Review of Celebrate Boston – Saturday 1st April 2023</u></p> <p>KR, JR and DJ had attended this event. This was a very positive day and able to meet with a range of groups to update on the new Plan and attract applications to the next Community Chest panel. Also took the opportunity to consult with groups regarding Monopoly and there was appetite for a reprint, including potential funding support from Boston Stump.</p>	ACTION
6.	<p>Communications Update:</p> <p>MB updated that the newsletter had been printed and was being delivered. Social media has been updated with photos from the Holi Festival and updates about the forthcoming Coronation Carnival. The Plan Feedback and new Plan have been added to the website. He will update the website with reports from the meeting. KR asked for a post regarding the next Community Chest panel.</p>	
7.	<p>AOB</p> <p>Community Chest: Group discussed what date to hold next Community Chest Panel. Agreed to keep to Tuesday 2nd May 2023 due to difficulties in finding another suitable date. KR to circulate invite to group after meeting.</p>	
8.	<p>Date and Time of next meeting:</p> <p>Tuesday 2nd May 2023: Community Chest Grants Panel, 6pm, The Local Community Centre.</p> <p>Thursday 11th May 2023: Residents Panel Meeting, 6pm, The Local Community Centre, Boston.</p>	

Meeting finished at 7.30pm.