Boston Big Local Meeting 13th July 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	Yes
Mark Baker (MB)	Communications	R	
Carole Lloyd (CL)		R	
Graham Lloyd (GL)		R	Yes
Jody Raggo (JR)		R	
Izabella Meyer (IM)		R	
Lind Anso Edwards (LAE)		R	
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	

		ACTION	
1.	Welcome and apologies: Apologies received from MG, GL, and DB.		
2.	Approve minutes of last meeting: Minutes were read. Agreed the content		
	was a true record, but KR noted the attendance list was incorrect and will		
	amend before sending through to MB. Proposed DJ and seconded by RT.		
3.	Matters arising not on the main agenda:		
	None noted.		
4.	Running things:		
	A. LTO Update:		
	DB sent through financial reports in his absence. Bank balance as at 13th July		
	2023 - £104,976.03.		
	Current Plan Spend by Theme (Year 9)		
	○ Theme 1 = £0		
	○ Theme 2 = £0		
	Theme 3 = £19,176.00		
	○ Theme 4 = £0		
	○ Theme 5 = £5,186.96		
	○ BBL Expenditure to date (Year 9) - £24,362.96		
	B. BL Rep updates:		
	Reminder of Big Local Connects later in the year.		
5.	Doing things:		
	A. Approval of Q1 Reports and Invoices		
	KR noted that all reports had been received. Generally a lot of activity had		
	happened over the Quarter with evidence of cross-Partner projects, and		
	attendance in town Volunteer Celebration events.	KR	
	Boston Stitchers: All happy with report and invoice approved. RT has made		
	the Heritage Group aware of the work carried out.		
	Lincolnshire Housing Partnership: All happy with report and invoice		
	approved.		
	Boston Samaritans: All happy with report and invoice approved.		
	Restore Pantry: All happy with report and invoice approved.		
	LCVS: All happy with report and invoice approved.		

Boston in Bloom: All happy with report and invoice approved. RT noted that the judging for the annual Bloom competition had taken place with an outcome expected in September 2023.

St John's Park Play Equipment: All happy with report. FT updated that work in Central Park will start on Monday with the Woodville Road/St John's Road work starting soon after.

Beach Event: All happy with report. Beach to be installed in Central Park from Monday.

Citizens Advice Mid-Lincolnshire: All happy with report and invoice approved.

B. Boston Monopoly

KR updated that the text for the box has now been approved and signed off. No amendments were made. New Boston Stump logo has been added to the box. Initial timelines suggest a delivery towards the end of October, which will allow the game to be sold at the Christmas events in town as well as at individual organisations on the run-up to Christmas. KR confirmed that Boston Stump has agreed to contribute £11,000 to the project and an initial 552 games agreed to be given to the Stump. KR has indicated that this may change based on demand by other organisations. No invoices received as yet.

C. Gazebo/BBL Equipment

RT noted that the BBL gazebo has been used by the We'll Meet Again Museum for an event recently, with another planned over the summer. As part of the BBL constitution, all equipment should be distributed to organisations at the end of the project. RT suggested the Museum retain the gazebo as unlikely to be needed. All agreed. Other items to be advertised to groups include folding tables and display boards. KR and MB to put out a call to groups.

D. Neil Watson Photography

KR read out an email from Neil Watson relating to a proposal for photography exhibitions at Fydell House. The previous grant, which had an underspend, has now expired and monies returned to Local Trust. The proposal is for preparation of six new exhibitions on Boston Theatre and Cinema, Pantomime, Shops and Shopping, Fairground and Entertainment, Boston at War and Boston's Railway. Residents agreed to provide £2000 subject to reports being prepared as per SLA requirements and that all work is completed by March 2024. KR to make contact.

E. Community Chest Panel date

All agreed the September Community Chest Panel will be September 5th 2023. MB to start promotion of panel.

F. Big Local Connects

JS, JR and MB indicated that they would like to attend the Big Local Connects event. KR to make enquiries about the Waiting List arrangements.

6. **Communications Update:**

The newsletter has been printed and is currently being delivered. MB will be updating the website with the latest reports. Events have been shared online. BB suggested starting the conversation about communications and endings and will be added to the agenda in September. MB not able to attend that meeting but can be a standing agenda item from then onwards.

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7.	AOB	
	ACT: KR has had notice from Amazing Communities Together of a request for	
	Trustees for the proposed Charitable Incorporated Organisation. This group is	
	made up of representatives from Big Locals across the country coming together	
	to look at projects post Local Trust support. KR to circulate information.	
	Hansa Cycle Brochure: RT has been given a copy of a new Hansa Cycle Tour	
	brochure, which links all of the Hanseatic Towns in England.	
8.	Date and Time of next meeting:	
	It was previously agreed not to meet in August.	
	Tuesday 5 th September 2023: Community Chest Panel, 6pm, The Local	
	Community Centre, Boston.	
	Thursday 14 th September 2023: Residents Panel Meeting, 6pm, The Local	
	Community Centre, Boston.	

Meeting finished at 8.00pm.