



Ulverston BID Meeting Minutes - 16th Jan 2019 – Tritech

Attending: Jan Hancock (Town House), Gavin Knott (Appleseeds), Jacqui McCloy (Tritech), Sarah Mammatt (The Nothern Line), Judith Pickthall (UCE), Tony Martinez (Cumbria Teaching Agency), Janette Jenkinson (SLDC), Janet Heffernan (SJB School), Suzanne Edgley (The Best Of), Suzanne Pender (Ford Park), Craig Sherrington (Virginia House) Justin Wales (PO)

Apologies:- Rob Wyatt (Siemens), Mike Bleasdale (Poppies), Andy Poole (Original Men’s Shop), Michelle Scrogam (Pure), Richard Butler (UVHS).

Items for discussion:-

Item	Meeting Note	Action
1	<p>Members Present</p> <p>As Above</p>	
2	<p>Apologies</p> <p>As above. Board agreed Mike Bleasdale is invited to attend as a member until May AGM. Jan to e mail.</p> <p>Rob noted that attendance on a regular 3rd Wed of each month unlikely and is seeking replacement from Siemens.</p>	Jan Hancock
3	<p>Previous minutes approval and Feedback</p> <p>Justin met with Barrow BID project officer. Quite different structures Vs Ulverston BID & unlikely at this time any mutual coordinated work.</p> <p>Highways agency preparing A590 strategy document that will be discussed following the recent and continuing complaints re disruption to the South Cumbria area.</p> <p>The action to make contact with Giles Archibold remains incomplete. Michelle to report back on any discussions on offer where funding could be made available to the BID to look at how business can respond to the challenge of climate change.</p> <p>The previous minutes were approved</p>	Michelle
5	<p>Chair Correspondence & comments</p> <p>a) Historic plaques now returned cleaned & repaired, ready for installation.</p>	

	<p>b) We have an invitation to attend National Business Crime Solutions conference in Nottingham on 28th Feb if any board member would like to go.</p> <p>c) View from Hoad press release complete and in the Westmorland Gazette.</p> <p>d) Jan attended meeting of Finance and General Purposes Committee re “A” boards in the town. Seen as getting somewhat out of control and in some instances an obstacle to pedestrians, particularly disabled and general traffic. Justin will liaise with Ralph Spours to speak to individuals where appropriate. Overall a heavy hand ban is not envisaged from Town Council. More official & additional signage (figure pointers etc.) may well be useful and address growing perceived problem.</p> <p>e) Noted that Criag Fox & Anita Garnett still registered at Company’s House. Jacqui to check and remove.</p> <p>f) Shop front improvement scheme run by TC to be added to BID web site.</p>	<p>Justin</p> <p>Jacqui</p> <p>Justin</p>
<p>5</p>	<p>Finance</p> <p>Jacqui table the usual comprehensive status. Highlights include :-</p> <p>Spends this year forecast to exceed income by ~50% (if all commitments are delivered) with inclusion of town free Wi-Fi in budget.</p> <p>Net income from levy ~ £98k this year.</p> <p>Some dispute ongoing with regard to Post Office delivery service bill for business directory. In hand.</p> <p>Cash @ Bank £106k.</p>	
<p>6</p>	<p>Justin’s Report & Updates</p> <p>Justin tabled a report for potential projects in 2019 for consideration. We have an opportunity to continue to develop Ulverston for business and the community from BID activity and this will also provide additional evidence for a positive result for the 2020 vote for BID continuation.</p> <p>The services would be offered to the BID levy payers free of charge. The Highlights are:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional Business Training (April 19 to July 19). Utilising the professional course at Kendal and Barrow for H&S in workplace, IT skills improvements, Food safety in catering, Fire safety, Emergency First Aid, Social media skills, Window dressing etc. • Providing hanging baskets (and brackets where reqd) for businesses to enhance the Ulverston in Bloom work. • Follow up on parking initiatives with SLDC. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop the Late night shopping experience for 4 Thursdays after Dickensian <p>The Board approved the go ahead for all the above initiatives.</p> <p>Comments during discussion:-</p> <p>With the completion of Buxton street car park there is considerably more planting areas now available. These are the responsibility of SLDC but there is a risk as to the extent and quality of planting provided. Ulv in Bloom have contributed to the discussions on these areas with SLDC. We shall keep an eye on this improvement to the town centre.</p> <p>There is likely to be am maintenance issue with additional hanging baskets particularly at height and at peak summer.</p> <p>The car parks are still high on the list of comments from traders so the initiatives with SLDC needs to be developed for the full support of the town. SLDC have promised hard data and costs from the use of each car park from their records. We perhaps should then show some initiative with a proposal directly to SLDC with Ulverston Traders input.</p> <p>Late night opening 2018 had a mixed response. A lack of capacity of a shopping experience in town is a down side. Having the indoor and outdoor market involved perhaps could address this.</p>	Justin
7	<p>Revote 2020</p> <p>Initial document tabled by Justin for consideration. It is proposed to send the voting docs to levy payers in June 2020. In the build up to this we need to consider the elements Justin highlighted. A briefing is required to be given to Ulv Town Council mid Feb. Justin to summarise and provide docs.</p>	Justin
11	<p>Next Meetings</p> <p>Based on proposal of 3rd Wed of each month next three meeting:</p> <p>Wed 20th Feb</p> <p>Wed 20th Mar</p> <p>April 17th</p> <p>AGM would be 15th May</p> <p>Venue Coro Hall</p>	