

Ulverston BID Meeting 21st April 2021 ~ Via Video Conference

Attending:

Board

Jan HancockTown HouseGavin KnottAppleseedsJanet HeffernanSJB SchoolRichard ButlerVictoria High

Jacqui McCloy Tritech
Michelle Scrogham Pure
Dennis Round Siemens
Janette Jenknison SLDC

Anita Garnett Ulverston Brewing Co.

Trevor Ronson Tritech

Charlotte Hagen Lakeland Inns

Beth Kennedy UCE

Tony Martinez Cumbria Teaching Agency

Sarah Mammett The Northern Line
Justin Wales Project Manager

Apologies:-

Wendy Barry Avanti Capitola
Suzanne Edgley The Best Of
Judith Pickthall Town Council

Items for discussion:-

Item	Meeting Note	Action
1	Previous minutes approval	
	The minutes of 17 th Feb 2021 were approved.	
2	Matter Arising	
	Wendy has now resigned from the Board. The Board thanked Wendy for her input to the BID. A possible replacement of Rebecca Athersmith from the Farmers representing the hospitality sector may step forward. The usual application submission will be required. Jan to request.	Jan Hancock

	Justin attended the Local BID manager's forum with discussion centring mainly on forthcoming events and gearing up for events.	
	An update from Steph Sexton received with the progression of Market Admin support training started & proving very useful (approved by BID last period)	
	Pat McIver from Lakes BioScience Ltd would welcome the opportunity to talk to BID Board. Jan to set up	Jan Hancock
3	Financial Report	
	Final update from Jacqui. The accounts spread sheet has been reformatted to show close out at end of last year's accounts and all activity completed filed for reference. Future activity now only shown with budget, commitments and spends to date identified.	
	Income expected from Levy this full year period plus overdue now being collected ~ £126k (Likely 10% will be unpaid)	
	List of levy payers not paid has been received and these can now by chased when required. Some amounts are unrecoverable from day one and some legacy clean-up is required before chase down.	
	Cash balance in account stands at @ £87k with £41k committed from last period carried forward.	
	Big thanks to Jacqui for the commitment over the last 5 + years.	
4	Ratification of expenditure	
	Agreement formally sort for the spends on new "Shop Ulverston" banners and signs. SLDC have funded the main part of this initiative. Overall agreed.	
	EDR fund previously outstanding has now been received for the last exercise for "shop local".	
5	Choose	
	Update from Sophie noted with Reopening and refresh effort almost complete.	
6	Correspondance.	
	Sam from the 4 pence café commented on levy demands which keep coming, particularly during a lockdown. Unreasonable. Jan has written with a comprehensive response coving all the issues the BID has tried to address to help long term(eg web site, Car park initiative, Wi Fi) to explain.	
	Friends of Furness ¼ meeting held. We have included the station in the Ulverston in Bloom coverage this coming year.	
	Invited to join the Cumbria Association of Local Councils – CALC. Fee of £30 requested. No idea what the fee was for but Justin will attend to enquire and participate. 29 th April	Justin

Election of Chair Three nominees. Sarah, Tony & Michelle. Sarah has declined. Both Tony & Michelle gave the Board a short summary for why suitable for Chair. Secret ballot held electronically. Michelle duly elected new Chair of Ulverston BID. Big thanks to Jan Hancock from the Board for helping to keep the BID on the right path for the last 5 years. Town Council also showed appreciation. 8 Accountants. Jacqui has offered to continue for a short period on a monthly fee basis until we find a suitable replacement. The Board agree we would prefer a volunteer or if needed to get a quote for the book keeping processes and link to Hornby as required. We were keen not to set a precedent for a fee for a Board Justin & member. The post does not need to be a permanent trustee on the BID Michelle Board. Justin was to put out the request on our data base & Michelle to follow up. Some additional advertising may be necessary. 9 **Delegates for Outside Bodies** As a point of clarity the following have volunteered for the contacts to local bodies. GSK task Force - Gavin Borderlands - Justin & Michelle CCC Strategic Planning Partnership – Justin, Jan Hancock & Michelle UCP - Jan Hancock & Justin where required Friends of Furness Line -- Michelle Cumbria Better Connected - Michelle Ulverston in Bloom - Justin to Liaise Ulverston Healthy Town - Jan Heffernan Ulverston & District Education Consortium (UDEC) - Jan Heffernan & Richard BIDS Reginal Board -- Justin 10 **Project Progress Report** Justin presented his overall summary of his work done so far and a discussion followed on the re-appointment and conditions. The Board agreed the BID needs a PM to carry out the projects as identified. A re-tender for the Justin position was considered but rejected. Some review of outcomes from a future PM role need to be addressed and these to include some performance measurement, cost effectiveness assessments, more

	follow up with Levy payers, a wider discussion on the delivery of the Business Plan and an bigger match funding emphasis to be targeted. A draft contract is to be circulated by Jan. The contract is essentially an extension of the existing with Justin as self-employed, a rate/hr enhancement, a commitment for an agreed period and working week, expenses at cost. Feedback to Michelle required on contract draft. The Board agreed to continue the appointment of Justin with the contract to	ALL
	be formalized by the Board.	
11	AOB	
	Dennis noted the re-vote through up a lot of descent with outer areas of the town non supportive. We need to address this & perhaps Choose could be used as a vehicle for engagement. We are doing a whole raft of data collection but we need to see some evidence of how this can be utilized for the benefit of the town and future projects. The end result should note Ulverston as the destination town for new comers, visitors and new businesses and investment.	
12	Next meeting 19 th May 2021 @ 6.00pm.	