

WHITBY TOWN DEAL BOARD

FRIDAY 27TH MARCH 2020

9:30AM VIA ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE

DRAFT MINUTES

IN ATTENDANCE

STAND IN CHAIR James Farrar JF YNYER LEP	Pen Cruz PC Whitby Secondary Partnership
Barry Harland BH Whitby Seafoods (until 10am)	Mel Bonney-Kane MBK CAVCA
Mike Greene MG SBC	Paul Fellows PF NYMNPA
Alex Richards AR SBC	Cllr Linda Wild LW WTC
David Bowe DB NYCC	Kerry Levitt KLV SBC
Helen Berry HB Whitby Museum & Art Gallery	Ian Vasey IV Port Authority
Dr John Field JFi Whitby Civic Society	Ed Asquith EA Four Tigers Media
Beck Mathers BM Aecom	Richard Green RG Aecom

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

1. KLV to chase outstanding Register of Interest Forms
2. AR to circulate briefs for Members to identify Champions and Project Teams for each theme/work stream.
3. AR, BM and EA to produce a summary booklet for the community

1. Apologies

Peter Campey, MHCLG
Pam Dobson, WTC
Clare Harrigan, Beyond Housing
Rosie DuRose, Beyond Housing
Gareth Edmunds, Sirius Minerals
Andy Fyfe, Eskdale School

2. Minutes of Last meeting & matters arising

- 2.1 Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 26th February 2020 agreed as a true record.
- 2.2. Register of Interests Forms
Still a few RoI forms outstanding. KLV to individually email those that are outstanding to request.
- 2.3 Workplace
Majority of Members have signed up to Workplace. KLV resent invites last week. If anyone doesn't want to join, doesn't receive an invite or has difficulty joining, please advise KLV.

3. Progress Update / Presentation from Aecom

- 3.1 AR uploaded the presentation from Aecom onto the screen for the Board to view.
- 3.2 Aecom gave a presentation on the current progress and the way forward.
- 3.3 The Board agreed the emerging vision and themes for Whitby which included;

Skills and Enterprise

- Modern work space for light industrial uses;
- Business start-up supported with flexible co-working space;
- A vibrant local center which is growing it's independent sector;
- Thriving fishing market and harbour;
- Centre for maritime skills;
- Established high quality conferencing offer;

Heritage, Leisure and special places

- A celebrated coastal location with a strong maritime identity;
- Established as the Capital of Quirk> a unique mix of colourful character;
- Year round activities for the young;
- A sports offer which is broad and coordinated across the Borough;
- A platform for events and festivals > The home of the Whitby Festival;
- A coordinated visitor offer focusing on exploration and learning;
- A home for water sport and waterside activities

Connectivity

- A town centre not dominated by cars and that invites walkers and cyclist;
- Flexible transport options: convenient and frequent public transport;
- A noted leisure cruise destination.

Community wellbeing

- A beautiful place to call home;
- Celebrated and enhanced fresh and local food offer;
- A town that promotes healthy choices;
- Outdoor spaces which are accessible and safe;
- A diverse community which is celebrated;
- Good quality and affordable homes;
- A network of community spaces and opportunities for families.

Live here, work and learn anywhere – local infrastructure

- Fast and reliable digital infrastructure, a 1GB Town by 2025;
- Access to co-learning space and tech hubs;

Sustainability and Resilience

- Energy efficiency at the heart of all decisions;
- Focus for the production of renewable energy;
- Green spaces which are protected and well maintained;
- Game changing development which benchmarks carbon neutrality.

- 3.4 The Board agreed to establish 6 work streams and project groups to drive forward each of the above themes.
- 3.5 SBC are currently liaising with MHCLG regarding the current submission deadlines. There is a likelihood the deadline for submission will be pushed back but it is important to keep momentum going.
- 3.6 AR introduced EA into the meeting. EA has been appointed to work with the TDB to ensure comprehensive communications with the community. EA will work to prepare greater communication pieces with the community when the key priorities have been set and received from the Board. Communication is key to promote and lobby public on each of the work streams.
- 3.7 MG advised that the Board will need to look at what success looks like for Whitby underneath each of the themes and put their own unique stamp on the themes and work streams so they become unique to Whitby.

- 3.8 BM advised that some projects may deprioritise and others come forward as work progresses. Some project ideas will run across all of the themes. Another level detail needs adding to the themes and project focus as work moves forward.
- 3.9 Comments received in response to the presentation;
- PC suggested some of the funding could be used to establish a foundation to extend the period of time the Town Deal funding has an impact on Whitby.
 - HB – Whitby does have a lot of heritage but the Board needs to be careful not to forget the modern, contemporary and future artists of Whitby.
 - PF felt the themes were very generic and that they needed to be more specific to Whitby.
 - JFi enquired if the public consultation was well attended. BM reported approx. 50 people attended but the information gathered was very good because the team had meaningful conversations with the attendees.
 - MBK agreed with HB. MBK would also like to see the wellbeing work stream progress around community wellbeing and community led action not just individual wellbeing.
- 3.10 MG explained the Whitby TIP is a long term vision for Whitby and will be used to access other funding streams in the future and for engagement with partners for investment.
- 3.11 MG visualised 3 distinct documents coming out of this piece of work;
1. Broad Vision and Themes for Whitby
 2. TIP for Whitby with a list of key projects for submission to MHCLG
 3. Spatial masterplan – to help identify Whitby’s current assets and future opportunities

NEXT STEPS

- 3.12 AR, BM and EA will summarise the information presented in the slides into an A5 booklet for the community to gauge their opinion on what has been proposed so far.
- 3.13 Champions to be established from the Board to take forward the work streams and set up project groups under each theme. Board members to identify staff and resources with the required skills to form the project groups.
- 3.14 AR will circulate work stream briefs next week to invite champions to come forward and start progressing the work streams.

4. AOB

No AOB

5. Schedule of Meetings

- **2pm Friday 24th April via video conference**
- 10am Friday 22nd May @ TBC
- 2pm Friday 19th June @ TBC
- 10am Friday 17th July @ TBC

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