

NEWTOWN BID



Newtown Steering Group BID Meeting Minutes, Wednesday 25th September 2019 18:00

Monty Club, Newtown

Present: Jenni Thomas (JT) – PCC, Sam Lloyd-Clayton (SLC) – PCC, Stuart Owen (SO) - Advanced Building Design, Karen Harris-Vernon (KHV) – NPTC, Joy Jones (JJ) - PCC, David Selby (DS), NTC, (Craig Stephens – Chambers clothing) Russell Downing (RD) – R&T

Apologies: Cery Stephens, Mark Griffin, Jacki Pugh, Jackie Milton, Steve Cox, Andy Harding, Kae Margetts

1	Welcome & Introductions	
	RD welcomed all and introduced Joy Jones as a new steering group member.	
2	Declaration of interest	
	No conflict/declaration of interest was presented	
3	Minutes of last meeting	
	RD proposed the minutes as a true reflection of the meeting, these were seconded by SO. Outstanding actions from the minutes were agreed to be covered during the meeting below.	
4	Business Engagement	
	<p>RD ran through progress with engagement, a further 30 Town Centre & 13 Industrial Estate businesses had been spoken to face to-face or via telephone since the last meeting, this had resulted in a number of surveys being completed.</p> <p>Issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Parking - cost and no change/contactless. ● Crime and ASB in some parts of town. ● Recruitment - people aren't really applying for jobs, then not turning up for interview and then if they do, not suitable for roles. ● Tidying the town - someone said that the market needs improving, and they leave a lot of rubbish. ● Car Parking <p>RD contacted potential new SG members, so far the following have agreed to come to become involved: Jacki Pugh, Wittingham Riddell, Kae Margetts, Bear Lanes, Andy Harding, EGO, Mark Griffin, Griffin Historical. I will continue to chase the following who have shared an interest in joining the SG: Pail Harding, Lloyds, Trish Jones, The Wrst Brom, Claire Bellaway, Iceland.</p> <p>RD urged all SG members to keep talking with businesses in Newtown.</p> <p>R & T had now received the Rate paying database, this was being filtered and cross checked with current data. Once complete the SG</p>	RD – to contact

	<p>would be invited to Dropbox to be able to view. All contacts and comments to be fed directly back to RD</p> <p>SO felt there were still blurred lines and confusion between the BID and Open Newtown, all agreed timing of both projects was unfortunate.</p> <p>SO was also concerned regarding the various messages being put out on facebook pages and forums, sadly, as is often the case, these are factually incorrect and mistruths. RD urged all the SG not to get involved on the platforms, but to point any factually incorrect information to RD so he could reply with the correct information.</p>	
5	Event	
	Date & Time was agreed, Venue is booked, and leaflets are ready for distribution.	RD – to distribute leaflets
6	Marketing Plan	
	Remains as is.	
7	Council/Statutory Items	
	<p>We are still awaiting a number of items from PCC, R & T have been chasing as had MP. We are outstanding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Map ● Baseline agreements ● Operating agreement <p>Indicative cost of collection</p>	
8	Levy Boundary	
	RD informed the group on some more modelling that had been done with certain assumptions, the final decision on the boundary will be made following the remaining consultation	
9	A.O.B.	
	<p>RD raised a suggestion regarding cross working between BID/College/Industrial estate around training & education.</p> <p>RD relayed the information from Welsh government regarding the requirement for bi-lingual documents. There is a legal requirement for the ballot papers to be bi-lingual, but nothing else. JT felt that the BP and notice should be in both languages also. RD raised a cost and time issue. JT agreed to have the documents translated internally.</p> <p>JT confirmed that a cabinet report was required, RD offered any help required.</p>	
10	Dates for Future meetings	
	<p>Dates set for future meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 08.10.19 – 18:00 ● 23.10.19 – 18:00 ● 12.11.19 – 18:00 	
	There being no other business the meeting was closed at 19:00	

