

NOTES OF THE IDEAS MEETING ON MONDAY 15TH JUNE 2015

Present: Alan Thompson, Andrea Lewis, Charles Jolly, Claire Millard, Dave Carlisle, Janet Miller, Jean Ball, Jean Todd, John Estruch, Lesley Caddy, Richard Lower, Richard Silson, Roddie MacLean, Simon Fussell, Steve Caddy, Tina Heathcote, Viv Marriott, Zena Bishop

Apologies: Freda Willis, Geoffrey Willis, Helen Davison, Janine Morris, Joe Dugdale, John Jansen, Linda Baldry, Mike Badman, Mike Monaghan, Pat Hobby, Phillip Barton, Sarah Rawlinson, Sue Mellor

Introductions: Dick Silson chaired the meeting, which started with a round of introductions.

1. NOTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The notes of the meeting on 14th May were passed as true record.

2. PROJECTS

2.1 Talking Signposts 2015

A project proposal had been circulated. The plan is to use a doodlepoll again to set up the rota, from 8th July through to the 31st August, using Minibugs as a base. Agreed the proposal should go to the directors for signing off.

2.2 Talking Signposts 2014

A closing report had been circulated, which was accepted.

2.3 Big Spring Clean 2014

A closing report had been circulated, which was accepted.

2.4 Street Art Phase 1

A closing report had been circulated, which was accepted. Noted that the Guides might be able to help refurbish the bottle bunting to be used again this year.

2.5 Big Spring Clean 2015

A closing report will be circulated soon. Noted that as well as the efforts of the Town Team and the town's students, NW Electric have rebuilt the fence around the Wye St substation, and promised to refurbish the one at Sylvan Park. Also HPBC have cleaned up the A515 dual carriageway section, and done some work on the High Path.

2.6 Buxton in Bloom

The closing date is 26th June, 36 entries have been received to date. Judging by East Midlands in Bloom will be on 8th July, the route and the portfolio are currently being finalised. Everyone is encouraged to build a flowerpot person, we have permission to position some in the Pavilion Gardens (subject to vetting by Terry Crawford). Suggested that Funny Wonders might get involved, and perhaps run workshops.

2.7 Market Regeneration

No developments, we still expect to hear back from HPBC at the end of the month. Noted that the Artisan Market had taken place on 6th June in Spring Gardens, John is measuring footfall and will report in due course.

2.8 Ashwood Park

A lot of improvements have been made, including clearing seven beds, removal of old concrete bases, clearing of paths, planting and seeding. The students have now broken up for the summer, but work will continue with Town team volunteers, all offers of help are welcome.

2.9 Cinema

More investigation is needed, and discussions with the University, the Opera House and Buxton Film - a volunteer is needed to take this on.

2.10 Winter Lights

The team plan to submit an application soon, based on lights for the trees along the main avenue on the Slopes, so as to create a visible link between higher and lower Buxton, also can be seen from the Pavilion Gardens. Agreed that an updated project proposal should go to the directors' meeting next week.

3 TOWN DEVELOPMENTS

3.1 Station Rd Planning Application

Advised this will be going to committee for a decision on 29th June. The additional information requested from the applicants does not appear to have been provided, Dick will try to find out more.

3.2 Crescent Development

Still no indication of when work will start on the site, which is frustrating. BBC Northwest have been in town filming, Tina did an interview, Trevor showed the crew round the building; Tina will provide the link to the programme when available.

3.3 The Local Plan

HPBC voted on this at a recent meeting, reducing the housing requirement from 360 to 350 per year, and removing the Woodhead Road site. The revised plan will go back to the inspector in July, after the consultation period.

4. TOUR OF BRITAIN 11TH SEPTEMBER

Plan for the route seems to be into Buxton along the A53 from Leek, and out over Long Hill. Noted that Dave had been in communication with the organisers earlier in the year, and for a fee of £20,000 we could have arranged for the tour to go through the town centre (£75,000 for an overnight stop), which was unaffordable. The question is whether there is any scope to organise anything around the event, when the cyclists and entourage are only likely to be here for a very short space of time.

Dave will try and find out more information on the route and the timing.

Suggested we could organise a related event, with the passing through of the race a part of it - for instance cycle races in the Pavilion Gardens, decorating the route, other themed activities. Anyone interested in helping to organize this please get in touch.

5. BUXTON CARNIVAL 11th JULY

5.1 Wells Dressing Update

Reported that this is the 175 year anniversary, there will be decorating of the streets and houses as well as the wells. The well dressing will be on Friday 3rd the fair will be in place from Wednesday 8th through to Sunday, the carnival parade on Saturday 11th. Help with creating the flower panels needs people to be properly trained, but help is needed on carnival day to marshal and to judge the entries, volunteers please contact Richard.

5.2 Town Team Carnival Entry

Previous discussions suggested a walking entry, featuring various projects (Buxton in Bloom, litter picking, spring clean etc), in addition Roddie's pickup with A frame advertising board is available. Suggested the bottle bunting could be used to decorate the vehicle, also that we could dress as shadow people in blue and green, or that we should have a logoed set of hi viz jackets - Dave will send details of where FoBS obtained theirs.

Agreed we should take part, Dick will organize a meeting of interested parties to plan the detail.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

6.1 Vision Buxton Summer Social

This will take place on Thursday 2nd July 6:30pm at the Dome, all members of Buxton Town Team are invited. The cost is £10 for the buffet, with a cash bar. More information from Maggie at administrator@visionbuxton.co.uk, payment for tickets to be delivered before 22nd June to Vision Buxton c/o Pricketts on Lower Hardwick Street.

6.2 21C Joined Up Care

The team are collecting information on local groups providing support or information on health and mental health issues. To identify as many of these as possible they are asking us to send them details of any we know about, either direct to Margaret (jscharlton@live.com) or to Janet (townteam@buxtontownteam.org) for forwarding.

7. FUTURE I&V MEETINGS

The next meeting is scheduled to take place on:

Tuesday 14th July 7:30pm in the Railway Hotel.

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PS: Station Rd Planning Application

Since the meeting we have heard that the application for a hotel and supermarket on the site has been withdrawn. CPG are however developing a revised scheme which they aim to consult on in the next couple of months.