

BUXTON TOWN TEAM IDEAS AND ACTION MEETING - 15th November 2017

PRESENT

John Estruch (Chair), Helen Davison, Richard Lower, Ronan Cahally, Philip Barton, Kathryn Barton, Cllr. Jean Todd, Cllr: David Kerr, Steve Bradshaw, Alan Clark, David Robison, Matthew Nuttall, Dick Coggins, John P Bishop, John Robertson

APOLOGIES

Dick Silson, Rosemary Wood, Mike Monaghan, Roddie Maclean, Janet Miller, Charles Jolly

Notes of last meeting were accepted.

MATTERS ARISING

4.4 John Bishop has had a negative response from Conway's staff re a mural on the side of their premises. He's looking into a light display in the hope that may have a better response.

5.2 Isla, the new gift shop, has taken a stock of tea towels.

PROJECT PROPOSALS

Fairfield Road

A resident has contacted BTT to ask if anything can be done to smarten up the approach into town via Fairfield Road.

Richard Lower has put together a proposal that will start to address some the problems.

Councillor David Kerr said there is already an appetite to set up a residents' association for Fairfield Road and several people, including HPBC, are working on various issues.

Difficult issues include the transient community because so many of the houses are rented with the landlords not living in Buxton.

The small roadside park was cleared by BTT volunteers last year but the upkeep plan fell through.

It was decided that more investigating needs to be done but that the proposal should go to the Director's meeting for initial approval.

PROJECT UPDATES

Buxton in Bloomin' Winter

Tina Heathcote reported that:

WI have raised £830 towards the cost of lighting the trees on The Slopes.

Volunteers are making tinsel stars and red ribbon bows.

The Slopes Team

Steve Bradshaw reported that:

The team cleaned and repointed the War Memorial base in time for the Remembrance Day service.

500 daffodils have planted between the Memorial and the Crescent.

The Spring Fair

Unless somebody comes forward to lead this project very soon it will not be happening in 2018.

MAKING SPACES INTO PLACES - A PRESENTATION BY JOHN BISHOP.

For details, see: www.spacesintoplaces.co.uk

John said that children often learn best through a collaborative exploration of their environment. He showed a film of a group of children doing just that in the centre of Manchester.

He is looking for sponsorship to support a similar project in Buxton, the end-product of which could be a town guide written by children.

The aim of the project would be children who are engaged with, and therefore have ownership of and pride in, their town.

TOWN DEVELOPMENTS

In the coming year Severn Trent Water will be undertaking a £7million project in Buxton.

Serpentine Community Farm. There is an online petition to object to this being closed to make way for three houses. HPBC have indicated that they intend to put in a planning application and want to sell the land.

THE NEXT MEETING

This will be a Party celebration on Monday 11 December. Cheshire Cheese.

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