

EVENING ECONOMY GROUP MEETING – THURSDAY 16TH APRIL 2015 – BONNY BOAT PUB

MINUTES

Present: Kathryn Shillito (**HullBID**), Mark Andrews, (**HullBID**) Francesca Sharp (**HullBID**), Claire Bennett (Punch Hotel), Leila Bolton, (Punch Hotel), Andy Rollin (The 24/7 Company) Robert Jackson (Trinity), Santa Vindgradova (Burlington), Carla Williamson (Bonny Boat), Linda Levantiz (Bonny Boat), Kerrie Woollas (Ye Olde White Harte), Melissa Green (Garbos, Rumours, Riddlers, Lizard Lounge), Emma Badham (JDW – Lloyds), Jamie Purves (JDW), David Best (Three John Scotts), Gary Parker (**Humberside Police**), Kevin Priestley (Hull City Council)

1. PREVIOUS MINUTES/MATTERS ARISING:

No questions from the previous meeting minutes that was held on 29th January 2015.

2. HUMBERSIDE POLICE FEEDBACK – GARY PARKER

Gary Parker reported on the changes to the way the city centre is policed and confirmed that the contact number and public order hotline number remains the same. Easter was very busy in many respects, footfall into cells was very quiet, however footfall in the city centre was up which is nice to see.

Gary commented that they have noticed that there is still a drugs problem around, it is moving out of the city centre into estates, however this doesn't mean to stop being vigilant – it may come back. Traffic will continue.

2017 is starting to approach, so start thinking outside of the box and approach organisers with ideas and get involved.

Kathryn added that VHEY provide a Yorkshire Passion Training scheme on excellent customer service. It is fun and light-hearted and free and highly recommended.

Keith Lamplough explained that you will be seeing more of him. Keith has dealt with certain aspects of the evening economy linked in with Gary, however he is going to be doing a lot more in regards to public order and violence – look at how to address it.

3. YUM! FESTIVAL OF FOOD AND DRINK

Kathryn confirmed that this year YUM! will be held over 2 days on 7th & 8th August, these dates do coincide with the P1 boat race, the 8th being the heats and then Sunday 9th being the race. This should work well as the plan is for people to filter down to the marina from Yum! at King Edward Street/Queen Victoria Square. HullBID are happy to act as the conduit if you want to find out more about P1 just let us know. Also please start to contact us if you want to be involved in Yum! if you have any special offers etc that we can also help to promote.

4. HULL TRINITY FESTIVAL

18 bars have contacted us already who want to be involved and have bands in their venues. If we can help please do call us or if you want to arrange something yourself as you understand what works best for your premises, let us know and we can help to promote this.

Venues involved so far are:-

William Wilberforce	star of the west
The Sailmakers Arms	Trinity Bar
Oscars Bar	Rift & Co
McCoys	The Brief
George Hotel	Bar 82
Fruit	cuckoos
Riddlers	Jaz Bar
Rumours	Ye Old White Heart
lizard lounge	

Kathryn has met with Gary and Helen from ESAG Group Council. This year will be slightly different and we are hoping to secure more headline acts for the 1-2pm slot, possible tribute bands that will create a good increase on the crowds around this time.

The public realm works on Trinity Square will be postponed until after the event. Contractors have a duty to contact all venues prior, if you don't get any answers let us know. Trial pits are currently being dug by contractors around the city to ensure the foundations can support the new paving (works in Queen Victoria Square has already started). BID is here to act as the conduit and will give out notice wherever possible for any works intended.

5. HULL CITY COUNCIL – KEVIN PRIESTLEY

Kevin introduced himself to the group, working within the culture team and public realm. Kevin explained further the trial pits and the various coloured spray marks that are around, to identify all current cables and to see what is under the ground. Currently it is going well at the moment. Works are going out to tender currently; the target is for early September to have a contractor appointed and the target to be finished by September/October 2016.

There will be new surface treatments for areas including King Edward Street, the contractor has a duty to negotiate fully with the businesses and ensure that access to premises are maintained at all times. The contractor will have a drop in centre that you can go to and ask questions.

The old Trinity House School has been demolished and the Hull Trinity House Charity are very keen to use this area for musical recitals and a pay/display car park purely for shoppers, all access points will be opened.

Kevin confirmed that in regards to timings for public realm works, December will be out as it is such a busy time.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Please see attached latest Hull City Council calendar of events for 2015.

Humber Biz Week – last year was HullBID's first attempt at being involved and creating an event to be part of Biz Week. It was a great success so we have decided to get involved again this year. We are hosting an informal dinner with high-profile female guest speakers. The 'Inspiring Women' dinner – a sponsored event - will be held on 3rd June, 6pm-9pm at the Mercure Hull Royal Hotel and priority is given to BID members. Key note speakers are Rosie Millard, Chairman of Hull: UK City of Culture 2017, Victoria Jackson MBE, Chairman of Kingston Recruitment and Kath Lavery, Chairman of Humber Business Week Steering Group. Both females and males are invited, so please come and support our event (tickets available on first come first served basis). Email Francesca Francesca@hullbid.co.uk or telephone 01482 611850.

7. STATE OF TRADE

The feedback from Easter was really good, it was busy with food sales on the up.

Date of next meeting:- 11th June 2015

Thank you as always to The Bonny Boat for hosting the meeting and providing the coffees. It is much appreciated.