

EVENING ECONOMY GROUP MEETING – THURSDAY 8th DECEMBER 2016

BONNY BOAT 3PM

MINUTES

Present: K Shillito, Chair (**HullBID**), R Orr (**HullBID**), F Sharp (**HullBID**), Carol Ward (**The Star**), Rob Jackson (**Burlington, Trinity, Star of the West**), Adam Bayson (**Kerbedge**), Craig McPhail (**Head of Steam**), Andy Rollin (**247 Security**), Paul Berrey (**Amber Taverns**), Danielle Laud (**Furley & Co**), Leila Bolton (**Punch Hotel**), Linda Levantiz (**Bonny Boat**), Kerrie Woollas (**Ye Olde White Harte**), Sue Brooks (**Hull Cheese, Garbos, Silvers, Rumours**), Karl Saleh (**3 John Scotts**), Mark Bayston (**McCoy's**), Nick Taylor (**Dexters**),

Speakers:- Steve Littlewood – **Grimsby Police**, Superintendent Phillip Ward & Chief Inspector Paul Butler of **Humberside Police**.

Previous Minutes:

No matters arising from the minutes

Steve Littlewood – Grimsby Police

- The priority is to reduce violent crime against vulnerable women especially over the Christmas period.
- Ask Angela Campaign – this came out of Lincolnshire 12 months ago, a simple idea that can be easily managed. 'Angela' is a code word that can be used for uncomfortable/emergency situations, when women can go to the bar and ask for Angela which signifies help is needed. All staff should be briefed on the next steps to take, enabling them to get home safely.
- It adds as another layer of protection.
- A corporate poster is being produced that can be put up in the toilets etc of bars for the public, clearly stating what to do if you need help.
- All agreed to adopt this for Hull. Alex Weeks is also running the Ask Angela campaign.
- Police offered to roll out the vulnerability training again if anyone required (let BID know)
- HullBID can help with the distribution of posters and 247 Security offered to run the scheme out to their security services also – so they are aware.
- #askforangela

Superintendent Operations Phillip Ward & Chief Inspector Paul Butler – Humberside Police

- Thanked the group for having being invited and having the opportunity to talk.
- Responsible for the uniformed police and the force lead for violent crime and operation yuletide.
- Gave an overview of responsibilities.
- Domestic abuse is the force priority at the moment.
- Reported that violent crime in the city is the highest it's been in years, not only in Hull but also nationwide. Most offences occur in the dwelling (house parties, general public on private premises or on the street). The team look to identify patterns every two weeks to prioritise resources along with a daily pace setter meeting to identify specific incidences.
- Rob Jackson questioned the decline in presence of police for the evening economy at key times. He stated that bars want to work with the Police to be proactive and would like to see a build-up of presence

throughout the night. Paul commented that every week there should be 3 sergeants and 18 pc's, however resources do get pulled away.

- Paul Butler briefed the group on the plans leading up to Christmas, there is a 4 week cycle of activity, 'mad Friday' is very close to Christmas this year with a possibility of it being over two dates – 16th and 23rd. The sniffer dogs will be out and bars advised to use polycarbonate glasses – these will be distributed over this week.
- Phillip explained that they are looking at the night staff starting 4 hours earlier and they should be engaging with door staff, out and about being proactive. There is a specific brief for each and a deployment plan. It is the Duty Inspectors job to see that all tasks are carried out.
- Paul informed the group that the Street Marshalls have funding agreed so they are back, however it is not long term funding, just for Christmas and the New Year.
- Kirsty Tock's team has increased and now has staff 7 days a week on early and lates.
- Phillip and Paul both asked that if licensees feel the police are not stepping up to the mark, please speak to HullBID to feedback. Kathryn encouraged the group to not be afraid of sending constructive criticism; this is how to effect change.
- Beyond the New Year Phillip explained that they are looking at how to manage violent crime throughout the area and are very keen to work with the group. Both are happy to attend these meetings and also if you require more of a one to one.
- Kathryn added that on New Year's Day the fireworks are due to finish around 8:30pm, when the crowds will hopefully disperse into the town.

Kathryn Shillito – HullBID Update

- Kathryn thanked both Phillip Ward and Paul Butler for their time expressed how beneficial it was for the businesses, and that we will ask them to attend further meetings for an update.
- Polycarbonate glasses – Kathryn has received an email from Ian Goode to say he has received delivery of the glasses, these will be with you very shortly. HullBID can help to deliver.
- Hull Private Hire Association – recommended staff taxi companys. Sue from Hull Cheese and Kathryn provided information to the group from HPHA and handed out laminated sheets with contact numbers and companies of taxi firms who are happy to prioritise staff.
- Made in Hull – HullBID persistently chase details from the city of culture team on planned events so any news we receive is up-to-date. The Made in Hull event is running from 1st – 7th January, 4pm until 9pm (apart from on the 1st it is running until 10pm). Projections will be made in the following areas:-
 - Queen Victoria Square
 - Whitefriargate
 - Zebedee's Yard
 - Silver Street
 - Scale Lane
 - High Street Underpass
 - The Deep
 - Humber Street.
- Trinity Square public realm works are currently on track and they are about to put the mirror pools in.
- Street food events in Trinity Square – HullBID is working with businesses along with the council/church to put on a monthly event (one Thursday a month) in Trinity Square between April and September, with a mixture of food vendors and entertainment. We have a vision of the square being vibrant with a great atmosphere, something different for the hours between 4pm and 9pm to encourage workers in the city centre to stay and have something to eat enjoy the entertainment and to use the venues around. HullBID

are very keen to develop this idea and welcomes anyone who is interested to contact Kathryn@hullbid.co.uk or Catherine@hullbid.co.uk

- HullBID always have different initiatives and are in the process of developing a retail brochure to showcase fashion and beauty along with developing a mobile app that will deliver details on retail, car parks and what is going on in the city centre.
- Kathryn thanked the group for attending and on behalf of HullBID wished everyone a very Merry Christmas.

Date of next meeting: TBC.

Thank you to Bonny Boat for hosting the meeting. It is, as always, much appreciated.