

EVENING ECONOMY MEETING – TUESDAY 10TH DECEMBER 2013 - MINUTES

Present: Kathryn Shillito/Mark Andrews (HulBID), Gary Dixon/Graham (ASBO Officers), Mike McKay (Position), Linda Levantiz (Bonny Boat), Ellie Burrell (Jaz Bar), Robert Jackson (Burlington/Trinity/Star of the West), Wayne Mason (Sugar Mill), Joe Hubbard (Fruit/Welly Club), Kerrie Woollas (Ye Olde White Harte), Jacqui Richards (Lyrics), Tom Bowden (Soho Lounge), Wendy Thomas (Macys), James Purves (Wetherspoons)

Apologies: Gary Parker (Licensing Officer, Humberside Police), Carl Conway-Davis (Lizard Lounge)

Previous Minutes: as read and approved

Experience Hull Brochure:

- Showcases over 90 bars, cafe bars and evening entertainment venues (not restaurants as these go in the Dine brochure)
- 20,000 copies printed – all bars encouraged to display prominently.
- Copies delivered to tourist information centre, hotels, student accommodation etc.
- Group agreed it was a positive piece of literature that would help attract customers.

Purple Flag:

- The city has been re-accredited for a further year with Purple Flag status (meaning the city has been inspected and is deemed a safe, clean, vibrant and well-managed centre on an evening).
- Purple Flag played a big part in our City of Culture bid; it is a significant achievement and all licensees are urged to promote it.

Old Town Victorian Christmas and Market event – 30th November

- Event was collaboration between High Street/Scale Lane pubs and the Council's Streetlife museum.
- Footfall doubled on last year's event (approx 10,000) and this impacted on many surrounding businesses all reporting increased trade. Shops down Whitefriargate also did well and feedback from Hepworth's Arcade was they have never seen it so busy for years.
- The event was a huge success and showed partnership working at its best; next year will build on this success and it is hoped more businesses will become involved.
- Possibly looking at an Edwardian Easter event in the old town on a similar basis (TBC).

City of Culture 2017 – what this represents

- Council will start to map out activity gradually building events in the city to a crescendo in 2017 with activity going on 365 days.
- A city centre celebration will take place early next year around City Hall area. It promises to be a great event. More news on this to come.
- Similar to Freedom Festival, an advisory board will be set up as we move towards 2017 which will be a not for profit organisation.
- Views on Trip Advisor have increased by 30%. Potential visitors will start to plan in advance which will support the hospitality/F&B/retail sectors particularly.

Feedback from Gary Dixon, ASBO Officer:

- Gary issued pictures of persistent offenders (those with an ASBO already), and said if they are continuing to cause problems they can be arrested.
- Anyone with persistent problems to contact either Mark at HulBID on 07715 105989 or Gary Dixon whose number can be found at the base of the images.

HulBID Radio System

- Mark from BID talked about licensees using the radios correctly. The system is the only one to cover the city centre and if radios are incorrectly used it could jeopardise the system.

- A bullet point list was handed out to those responsible for use of the radio – MA ran through some of the basic points.
- Civic are becoming frustrated by improper use i.e. users coming onto radio and shouting ‘help’; inappropriate conversations are also taking place.
- All door staff provision companies to be approached and their staff asked to attend a training session (BID to sort).

Policing over Christmas / New Year (written feedback from Gary Parker, Licensing Officer, Humbs Police read out)

- Police will run normal public order operations.
- Operators to be aware of not serving inebriated customers.
- Time of the year is attractive to under 18’s. Staff to challenge. Police will be conducting checks to ensure operators are doing all they can in relation to this.

Any Other Business

E.Cigarettes – the question was asked who allowed E.cigarettes to be used within their premises? Only one venue said they allowed it. BID to put together posters and distribute which states E.cigarettes are not permitted.

Police Sniffer Dogs – the group discussed the recent article in the Hull Daily Mail about sniffer dogs coming into premises. The Group generally agreed they felt the action was too ‘heavy handed’ and it could result in losing customers. It was felt that the evening venues, particularly the old town seemed to be targeted and the question was raised whether this procedure happens in some of the early evening economy bars? Note: Sgt Ian Goode from Humberside Police will be coming to the next meeting so he can respond to any questions.

Reduction in number of street drinkers – the group was asked if they’d noticed a drop in street drinkers and beggars. It was agreed there had been a reduction and with the new policy of licensed shops being unable to sell alcohol over 6% or in quantities of one or two cans, this may help. It was noted that beggars are blocking the fire exit for William Wilberforce Pub. Question was raised about door staff moving them on, however, the group said this would pull them away from their door duty.

Fake ID’s

- LL raised the matter of fake ID’s – the group discussed ways in which under 18’s are counterfeiting documents. Popular ones are European Driving License. Below are some links to sites which will offer advice.

<http://www.pass-scheme.org.uk>

<http://www.validateuk.co.uk>

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/98108/false-id-guidance.pdf

Date of next meeting: THURSDAY 23RD JANUARY 2014 – 3PM – BONNY BOAT PUB.

LIST OF NIGHT TIME PUBS/CLUBS THAT USE A HULLBID RADIO

Leonardo’s Cafe Bar – Princes Dock Street
 The Mission – Posterngate
 Soho Lounge – Posterngate
 Kingston Hotel – Trinity Square
 The Burlington – Alfred Gelder Street
 William Wilberforce – Trinity House Lane

Bonny Boat – Trinity House Lane
Lyrics – Whitefriargate
Oscars – Silver Street
Ye Olde White Hart – Silver Street
Garbo's – Silver Street
Jaz Bar – Lowgate
Revolution – lowgate
Bar Babylon – Lowgate
Three John Scotts – Lowgate
Lion & Key – High Street
Sailmakers – High Street
Ye Olde Corn Exchange – Market Place
White Rooms – Market Place
Kings – Trinity Square
City Hotel – Alfred Gelder Street
George Hotel – Land of Green Ginger
Courts Bar – Land of Green Ginger
Green Bricks – Marina
Moderation – Carr Lane
Diva's Bar – Carr Lane
Admiral of the Humber – Carr Lane
Horners – Anlaby Road
Tower (to be reclaimed)
White Horse – Carr Lane
Hull Cheese – Paragon Street
Macy's Bar – Paragon Street
Propaganda – Ferensway
Mercure Royal Hotel – Ferensway
Star and Garter
Yorkshireman
Masters Bar – Jameson Street
Sandringham – Paragon Square
Sugar Mill – Princes Dock Street
Pozition – George Street
Welly Club
Grosvenor Casino
Rumours – North Church Side
Lizard Lounge – South Church Side
The Terrace – George Street
Hull Truck – Ferensway
Rileys – Prospect Street
Jack Rabbit Slims – Witham
Venue – George Street

A list of door staff companies will be provided in the New Year.

