

WHITBY TOWN DEAL BOARD

FRIDAY 14TH AUGUST 2020

2PM VIA ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE

MINUTES

IN ATTENDANCE

CHAIR Gareth Edmunds GE Anglo American	Clare Harrigan CH Beyond Housing
James Farrar JF YNYER LEP	Robert Goodwill MP RG
VICE CHAIR Barry Harland BH Whitby Seafoods	Ian Vasey IV SBC
Richard Bradley RB SBC	Paul Fellows PF NYMNPA
Alex Richards AR SBC	Cllr Linda Wild, LW WTC
Vicky Bolton VB SBC	Rosie DuRose RDR Beyond Housing
Liz Small LS NYCC	Patricia Kane PK BEIS
Mike Greene MG SBC	Kerry Levitt KLV MINUTES SBC
Michael King MK WTC	Matt Joseph MJ SBC
Dr John Field JFi Whitby Civic Society	Ed Asquith EA Four Tigers Media
Becky Mathers BM Aecom	Alice Sharp AS (to agenda item 4.1) Invisible Dust
Dan Maher DM Aecom	Adam Cooper AC (to agenda item 3) Invisible Dust

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

- KLV to liaise with WTC to arrange a Member briefing session
- BM to arrange a separate meeting with Hemingway Design and a small number of Board members to refine the Vision

1. APOLOGIES

David Bowe, NYCC
Gareth Edmunds, Anglo
Billa Duggal, SBC

2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING & MATTERS ARISING

- 2.1 Minutes of the meeting held on Friday 17th July 2020 agreed as a true record.
- 2.2 MK asked if there was an update on the Whitby Pavilion. RB informed the Board there are ongoing complex discussions which won't be resolved within the next couple of weeks to make the timeframe for the Town Investment Plan. The proposals will continue to be worked up and if an opportunity arises in the future hopefully a proposal will be ready.

3. WHITBY WILD EYE

- 3.1 Adam Cooper, Executive Director of Invisible Dust presented the proposals for the Whitby Wild Eye project.
- 3.2 The Whitby Wild Eye project is a collaboration between Invisible Dust and the Yorkshire Wildlife Trust working with world class scientists and artists. It aims to provide a new nature tourism opportunity for the Yorkshire Coast but also to bring nature in to the community, enabling young people to experience their surroundings. The 1st phase of the project is to install a hide at a location within Whitby and locations are being explored with John Woodhead from Scarborough Borough Council. The whole project will cost £1.8m over 3years but could lever in circa £15m in direct spend.
- 3.3 The Board were supportive of the Whitby Wild Eye proposals.

4. UPDATE ON DEVELOPING PROJECTS

- 4.1 Fast track projects
AR gave a brief update on the fast track projects circulated prior to the meeting and thanked the Board for feedback received. The proposals which will be submitted following the meeting will be;
 - Pilot pedestrianisation of Whitby Swing bridge
 - Whitby Wild Eye Project and Walking with heritage sculpture trail phase 2.

The Board held a discussion around the implications of the pedestrianisation of Whitby Swing Bridge. LS will take back all concerns raised to the Highways Engineers.

- 4.2 AR and BM have assessed the project proformas received from the work streams and completed the gaps with the project managers. The 1st step was to check the projects against a 'logic model' as required by Government: rationale, activities, outputs and outcomes (short/medium/long term).
- 4.4 Once this was completed, work began on completing the Town investment Plan application form and developing the costs associated with each project. AR shared the table of projects put forward and ran through the background of each project with the potential costs involved.
- 4.5 RB provided the group with further clarification on the Broomfield Farm development.
- 4.6 BH encouraged the Board to feedback any comments to BM/AR.
- 4.7 The next steps are to visualise the projects onto a map and add further detailed information to the projects ahead of the Check and Challenge sessions.

5. PROGRAMME & ENGAGEMENT SCHEDULE

- 5.1 BM shared the delivery programme for the next 12 weeks.
- 5.2 The Check & Challenge session will be arranged for w/c 31st August with a proposed date for Thursday 3rd September. Scarborough Borough Council Member briefing sessions will also take place during this week.

The Town Investment Plan will need to be signed off by the Board at the end of September before it goes to Scarborough Borough Council's Cabinet in the middle of October.

- 5.3 A session also needs arranging with WTC Members. KLV to liaise with WTC and BM to arrange.
- 5.4 EA has issued a press release thanking the people of Whitby for their comments and informing the public that the Board are now moving onto the stage of assessment. EA is also creating a range of public engagement in the plans.
- 5.5 EA suggested the Board consider a communication plan with regards to the Whitby Swing Bridge proposals to ensure the engagement is well managed.

6. VISIONING

- 6.1 AR circulated the visioning document and Statement of Intent from the individual work streams prior to the meeting.
- 6.2 BM shared the Vision for Whitby and ran through the statements as they currently stand. The vision and statement of intents require further work to be more succinct. Hemingway Design are part of the team involved and will assist to make the vision more colourful.
- 6.4 BM will arrange a small task and finish group meeting with Hemingway design to refine the Vision.

7. AOB

- 7.1 RG is happy to speak to Ministers directly and raise the profile of Whitby when required.

8. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

- 10am Friday 25th September 2020 via Zoom
- 2pm Friday 9th October 2020