

ELLAND TOWN BOARD MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held 6pm Tuesday 15th November 2022
Willow Court, Elland

Present:

Cllr Sarah Courtney
David Wilkinson (Vice Chair)
Harriet Fletcher
Graham Hale
David McCorie
Sam McCormick

In Attendance:

Rob Shipway, Programme Manager (Towns Regeneration & Resilience)
Andrew Pitts, Assistant Director - Neighbourhoods
Graham Gibbons, Principal Neighbourhood Co-ordinator - Valleys
David Brownridge, Place Development Officer
Heidi Waters – Strategic Housing Delivery Manager - Climate Action Presentation
Callum Pickersgill – Climate Action Presentation

Observer:

Catrina - Morrisons
Nicola - Healthy Minds

Apologies:

Cllr Victoria Porritt (Chair)
Cllr Angie Gallagher
Cllr John Ford
Cllr Christine Prashad
Kate McNicholas, Assistant Director – Economy, Housing, and Investment
Raj Beadle

1. Welcome and Introductions

The meeting was declared quorate. Due to Councillor Porritt's absence DW Chaired the meeting.

2. Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations of interest relating to the agenda.
It was noted all Declaration of Interest Forms were now submitted.

3. Minutes of the meeting held 6th September 2022

Reviewed by the Vice Chair and agreed as a true record

Matters arising

Item 3, RS reported that a report was issued on 7th October 2022.

Item 4, RS confirmed that CCTV is included in the programme.

DW raised the issue of the proposed removal of the car park on Coronation Street. He felt there had been inadequate consultation. The Board discussed the project and other aspects of the Future High Street Funding (FHSF) programme asked that officers raise specific issues with the project team.

- The potential negative impact on visitors to The Rex cinema.
- How and when was the decision made to introduce a soft surface on Coronation Street Car Park, when original plans seemed to show otherwise?
- Could an events space be included in the design?
- Will there be enough safe parking in Elland with ready access to local amenities?

- Discussion needed on any plans for improved lighting, such as on the route from Boxhall Road Car Park to Coronation Street, and CCVT to minimise the risk especially at night.
- Consideration of access issues on route from Boxhall Road.
- Businesses need confirmation of loading and unloading plans on Southgate.
- Communication with residents and businesses should be improved and it was suggested that the Board has a communications officer and Facebook page.

4. Process for applications for financial support from the Town Board

A report was circulated regarding the management and approval of Ambition for Towns funding. It was suggested and agreed that future requests for funding should be regeneration focused and be submitted for consideration by the Board prior to meetings.

DW enquired about the balance of Elland's Ambition for Towns Budget funds from the original £120,000? RS confirmed it to be £14,500.

DW proposed consideration of funding to support relocation. It was agreed this should be submitted in January using the proposed application form circulated. of the Trophy Cabinet to Elland Library.

It was noted that the Elland Ward Forum can fund small grants up to £500. It was noted that Morrisons run a community programme which can also support local activities. RS suggested a meeting with Morrisons and CMBC to see how funds can be used to maximise resources available to the town.

5. Climate Action Plan

Presentation given by Heidi Waters.

GH commented that Kirklees operates a Green Zone, and that Calderdale does not, and the pollution caused using older buses in the borough. CMBC needs to take a stance.

DW discussed the potential for Hydro Power from the Calder.

Heidi noted these concerns which the Council and partners are aware of. The quality of Public Transport is an issue raised regionally.

6. Cartwheel Club

GG presented a request for grant assistance of £600 from the Town Board to support the Cartwheel Club. It was reported that funding was needed to fund energy and insurance costs which had been accrued and might impact on the delivery of the proposal for redevelopment of the Community Hub. The Board expressed concern that the Ambition for Funds might not be appropriate but agreed to a proposal to offer the Cartwheel Club a loan of £1,000 subject to reassurance that:

- The Cartwheel Club committee is actively trying to raise funds.
- That Calderdale's Major Projects team can guarantee that the building will be taken on by CMBC and that contractors will be delivering on time.
- That receipts are provided for all costs paid for by the loan.

7. Christmas plans

DW reported that the Christmas lights will be switched on at 4.30pm on Saturday 2nd December. AP to chase CMBC comms for DM.

DM gave an update on the Christmas Loyalty Scheme that was funded by the Board. 41 shops are taking part, supported by about 95% of those approached. Posters have been distributed.

8. Any Other Business

- Communications Officer and ETB Facebook page to be raised at the next meeting.
- DM recommended a Business Plan for the Board to take Elland forward.
- DM Elland has many well-intentioned groups falling over each other, suggest that the Chair of each group be invited to future ETB meetings? To be discussed at the next meeting.

9. Date of Next Meeting

17th January 2023