Minutes of Bute BID Board Meeting

Date: 10.06.26

Location: Remote

Attendees:

Duncan Martin(DM)
Phil Prentice (PP)
Rachel Greenwood(RG)
Reeni Kennedy-Boyle (RKB)
Fergus Murray (FM)
Jill Devlin (JD)
Kirsty Durrant (KD)

Apologies for Absence: Jim Broadbeck(JB)

1.Welcome from the Chair

DM- Welcomed everyone and thank you for joining.

Declarations of Interest: None

Minutes of previous meeting of 06.05.26
Approved

Actions

No	Details of Action	Date Raised & Raised By	Who to Act	Feedback
3	Update on potential interest in using the Pavilion for conferences and island wide event	17.12.25	FM	Democracy Event 2027 2000+ delegates location tbc but it will either be Bute or Pitlochry, FM pushing for Bute.
9	Events calendar – next steps	14.01.26	JD	Delete for next meeting on hold until the amphitheatre seats can be repaired
11	Briefing from Fergus Walker to confirm the threshold of RV which can be circulated to the levy payers	14.01.26	FM/KD	Ready for next meeting
12	Communication	14.01.26	JB	This is now an agenda point remove for next meeting Access – 60% mobile v 40% desktop
13	Ampitheatre	14.01.26	PP/JD	11.03.26 - Phase 1 complete Phase 2 – just waiting on dates from a local contactor
15	Power supplies at amphitheatre, PB and KB as required			Contact Mark Caulder – no response

16	Lights on the prom would planning permission be required	14.01.26	JD	JD+PP met with Tom Murphy 11.06.26 project plan required
17	Grants for town centre properties not just shop fronts but repurposing. Grant summary i.e spend, value, examples	08.04.26	FM	To be updated

3. Brief Project Update

Update from Argyll & Bute Council: FM

Democracy meeting a representative from A+BC attending

The Royal Hotel – Design team have been appointed

Albert Pier – coach park to start soon

Pavilion – ongoing

Fyne Homes – closer to a school demolition

Empty Properties – change of use and development project ongoing

Visitors Levy

June – presented to members of the council

July –12week consolation

If approved won't come into play for 2 years and will be a fixed rate model

KD

Funding connections event Tues 23rd June @Connect Bute , details to follow, JD to circulate to levy payers - completed

Bute Open Day – Sept, dates to follow

PlayPark – fencing and signage required

Ampitheatre – local contractor confirmed for the seating, garden is looking great

Bute Island Radio - JD working with one of the presenters who runs a good news Tuesday slot as some of the weekly newsletter points may be interesting to a wider audience.

Levy Payer Meetings – 01+02 July 6.30-8pm @ the Shinty Hall

Board to confirm availability

JD arranging a visual display of BID support and projects

4. Budget and management accounts

Accounts to follow

JD to confirm VAT quarters
5. Renewal - PP Going well
6. Media and Marketing – JB No update
7. Christmas Lighting Festival Due to the lack of lights on Montague St, BID to support the decorating of shops The tractor run date is fixed and will remain as the Young Farmers previously planned
8. AOB RKB – Rutgers, v positive feedback, evening at Rumours went, thank you to the team there. Festival JD – Highland Games have requested the use of the tables and chairs from the square and any other support we would like to give Email from A+BC ref outstanding levy from a local business due to the circumstances this is unlikely to be recovered. Advertising in the Herald approved IM – commented on a recent event didn't see BID logo in the publicity going forward size of logo and location to be clear on support Concerns ref a local levy payer not receiving weekly comms, JD as investigated and they have changed their email and not informed IOB BID
The meeting closed at 6.35pm
Next meeting – 10.06.26