
Minutes of 44th Board Meeting of Brixham Future CIC held Thurs 28th March 2024 @ 1230pm in Brixham Conservative Club.

Present Board: -John Brennan, JB (Chair) , Steve Glanvill, SG (Secretary), Richard Anderson, RA (Treasurer) & Holly Jarrett HJ (Museum).

Apologies: Cllr. Paul Addison (PA), Sasha Rakonersky (SR), and Susan Laurie SL, Mark Roper (MR)

1) Introductions, apologies and welcome.

All welcomed and introductions made.

2) Declaration of Interests.

No Board Member had financial or conflicts of interest declarations to make.

3) Final Minutes of 43rd Board Meeting held Thurs 1st Feb 2024 @ 1200pm in Kings Barton House.

Minutes had been previously circulated to Board. Board Member`s agreed minutes unamended.

4) Action & updates (Not on Agenda)

JB said all matters progressed as reported and hopeful of some positive outcomes.

5) Annual Accounts 2022/23

JB outlined history of paper and final agreement of Accountant and Treasurer. Board agreed these could now be presented to AGM to follow this meeting at 2pm.

6) Loan Agreement

JB stated loan increased to £50K (with recent deposit of £5,336 from JB) and now required Board approval to sign by Treasurer and Secretary. A `Letter of Comfort` could be issued by Lender if usage of the Loan required to support other funding bids. Above was agreed. The Sum of £50K would be deposited in a Nationwide Account. Board Members Richard Anderson (Treasurer) and Steve Glanvill (Company Secretary) alongside John Brennan (Chairman and Lender) signed and sealed document and retained 5 signed copies.

7) Fundraising update.

We were disappointed that we did not get Torbay Lottery Grant to help support our D-Day events. Treasurer concerned we would not generate sufficient income to cover all expenses. We have one outstanding bid to Brixham Town Council for £2,500 as contribution to D-Day funding. We would look to other potential funding bids/sources.

8) Cruise Lottery Cards distribution list.

JB confirmed cards distributed in town, mainly to retailers. He would shortly begin street sales, when weather improved. The 1st Prize was 5 day river or sea cruise or £1,000 cash prize alternative.

9) D- Day Arrangements

JB confirmed all arrangements in place and printed material distributed throughout and beyond Brixham.

10) Murals

RA mentioned that the artistic community had been particularly impressed by the `Bees` mural on New Road. We had received other positive praise on Facebook etc.

The poor weather had resulted in delays in completing the remaining 2 street level murals, but hoped to complete end of April. We still had to raise some funding for remaining murals especially the Trafalgar mural at end of year.

11) Brixham Beacon

RA said the town had an identified need for a local quality publication. JB said paper indicated feasibility subject to advertising income being generated with paid editor and distributors being found. We could not afford to run deficit.

12) Research Proposal on Brixham Voluntary Sector Needs

Brief discussion by Board, but agreement that we should seek to raise funding and progress.

13) Update on long term pipeline projects

Members noted report.

14) Queens Way walking route 250 miles

JB/SG had been working on this, which still needed some work. It was considered feasible if divided into 10- 12 mile day walks that joined together, mainly following established routes. It would become an established route and put onto an app for mobile phones. Above would require funding to progress. HJ suggested we talk to Geo-Park.

15) Focal Point Consultation exercise

Board debated issue recognising need to provide point preferably around Town Sq. HJ felt it should be local figure. Agreed we would conduct exercise without pre-determination and then examine possibilities.

16) AOB

Thanks to SG and SR for assistance on last Sat Scala Hall Market.

Celebration of Brixham -Sat 27th April in Scala Hall to be attended by SR, SG and RA.

We would not be attending Airshow 1st and 2nd June.

We would attend Pirate Festival

We would attend YES Festival -26th Aug (BH) Rugby Club.

28) Next Board meetings

1) Thursday May 9th at Noon in KBH

2)Thursday July 25th at Noon in KBH

3)Thursday Oct 3rd at Noon in KBH

4) Thursday Dec 5th at Noon in KBH

Lottery Draw dates (Venues to be decided)

Saturday 6th July 2024 at 730pm

D-Day Celebrations

From Tues 4th to Sun 9th June with 40 FREE public events (TBC).

Programme printed and being circulated.

Trafalgar /Waterloo Day Celebrations 2025-

If we manage to achieve funding for above, we will look to launch with special naval day circa Oct 2024/5 to mark 2025 anniversary year.

End of WW2 80TH Anniversary May 20th 2025

If we manage to achieve funding, we will look could launch celebrations

Action List

New Murals delivery JB

Trafalgar Mural -Fundraising JB

1940`s Programme Event JB

Churchill Gardens Panels PA/SR/JB

Brixham Wine Club-SR

Research project JB

Spring /Summer Lottery Tickets 10th Round –JB/SR/All

Open Deposit Account with £50k -RA/JB/SG

Recruitment new Board Members -All

Media / Face book etc -SR.