

**Blandford Town Team
Action Plan & Governance
25 February 2016
Town Council offices, Blandford**

Present: Nic Nicol, Sylvia Hixson-Andrews, David Rose, Chris Curtis, Mike Burt, Colin Stevens, Nicci Brown

In attendance: Hugh de Iongh

Apologies: Julie Newell, Esmee Butler, Jean Longley, Julie Wigg, Kat Clark

Agenda Item		Action
1. Minutes of Last meeting	<p>Agreed a correct record</p> <p>Stone paving: original 40mm thick slab circa £60 per slab from the quarry</p> <p>Tourism app, some funding criteria re LEADER has now been clarified, hope that a working group will start soon, and</p> <p>Town map, Town Council looking to keep the map the same, but with different information round the outside.</p> <p>Blandford Business Group, idea of businesses keeping area outside their premises was raised and encouraged</p> <p>Last Train event, insurance sorted</p> <p>Bike stands idea has been passed to Roger Carter</p> <p>Terms of Reference, David Rose to circulate</p> <p>Joint Town Team date, Hugh de Iongh to organise</p>	
2. Governance		
3. Other TT initiatives		
4. Town Team Civic Briefing	<p>20, 21, 27 & 28 April options</p> <p>Agreed Thursday 21st April, 7:00pm, Nordon, Hugh de Iongh to book venue</p>	Hugh de Iongh
5. Town Centre		

Business survey		
6. Action Plan & sub-groups	<p><u>Ring Road signage & Themed Roundabouts</u> Meeting with DCC Highways 3 Feb, supportive of a tourist sign survey, which needs a small contribution from the main organisations. Leisure Centre to be included Gateway signs were rejected (change in national guidance)</p> <p>No progress on themed roundabouts</p>	
	<p><u>Heritage</u> Continuing frustration re no formal response to the letters to the District Council re the properties at risk. Nic Nicol to follow up with Kevin Morris & Cllr David Walsh with a quick deadline for a response.</p> <p>CAA & CAMP, looking to see if the Museum can lead on this, working closely with the Civic Society. Museum to consider whether it takes this on.</p> <p>Civic Society feels the whole area should be considered. This can be considered as part of the Terms of Reference.</p> <p>The Church has to carry out a Conservation Management Plan, which will be circulated to relevant organisations.</p>	Nic Nicol
	<p><u>Tourism</u></p> <p>No progress on mural idea, e.g. on the wall on Wimborne Road, and also on the wall on the Langton car Park. Nicci Brown to follow up There could also be an opportunity for mosaics</p>	Nicci Brown
	<p><u>Markets</u> Continuing frustration that there is no progress in the transfer of the market to the Town Council</p>	

	<u>Markets & Commercial issues</u>	
	<u>Litter & Cleanliness</u> People are contacting DWP or David Rose is on their behalf. Clean-up set for 5 th March	
	<u>Business survey</u> Retail Survey to update at the Civic Briefing. David Rose meeting with Susan Sullivan to catch up on progress re inputting	
	<u>Blandford Events planning tool</u>	
	Sturminster initiative. Nic Nicol has asked some local agents, who are keen to support. In this case it would be Julie Wigg who would be the contact.	
	Marsh & Ham Trim Trail. DT11 project, running routes, one is 1 mile, one is 1 km, marked with posts re distance	
6. Finance	No change	
1. Communications & Publicity	Blandford Event Planning Tool, Chris Curtis has done January, and will complete more months. Nicci Brown to liaise with Chris Curtis re Forum Focus DT11 to put a link on their website, Chris Curtis can help	Chris Curtis & Nicci Brown

	Chris Curtis encourages organisations to contact him about it.	
2. Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean for the Queen – Big Blandford Community Clear Up – 5 Mar - 1000. • Railway event – 5 Mar pm • Shot at Dawn play, sometime during the period 18-30th April, tbc • Teddy20 – 28 Apr – 2 May • Georgian Fayre – 2 May • Shakespeare’s 400 – 23 Apr or 23 May – 4 Jun • Free Expression Festival – 4 Jun (funding permitting) • Queen’s Birthday/ Civic weekend – 11-12 Jun • Civic day – 16 Jun • Festival of Words – Regeneration Group – 13-19 Jun • Hidden Gardens – 26 Jun • Architectural Heritage Week – 9/10 Sep 	
3. AOB	Georgian Fayre, des the TT want a stall? Discussed, and probably not	
4. Summary of Actions		
5. Date of Next Meeting	Thursday 17 th March, 6:00pm, Community Room, Blandford Town Council offices	HdeI to book