

Minutes of the Bournemouth Coastal BID Annual General Meeting held on 17 November 2016 at the Marriott HighCliff Hotel

1. Welcome

Paul Clarke, chairing the meeting welcomed everyone to the fourth Coastal BID AGM. He introduced Peter Ruscoe (Vice Chair and Manager of Sovereign Shopping Centre in Boscombe) and Stefan Krause (BID Manager) and thanked Marriott HighCliff for their hospitality.

Paul commented that any BID business was able to attend the meeting, although only "members" of the company could vote and participate in the formal activities.

18 members and 10 others/observers were in attendance

2. Apologies

No apologies had been received by the office.

3. Minutes of the AGM held on 12 November 2015

The Minutes of last year's AGM were proposed as being an accurate record by Stefan Krause, seconded by Des Simmons and approved unanimously.

4. Review of 2015/16

Paul Clarke introduced a video covering the 2015/16 year highlighting the key activities. (*A copy of this was subsequently made available on the Coastal BID website.*) The review included the autumn destination campaign and spring off season campaigns. It noted the BID support for the Wheels Festival, P1 Powerboats and Gardens of Lights as well as nine local events. Local marketing included the coastal walks maps, promoting various local events and activities.

5. Presentation of the Annual Report and Accounts for 2015/16

Copies of the Annual Report and Accounts had been circulated in advance of the meeting.

Paul thanked Schofields for their help in preparing the accounts.

He highlighted a number of points, including

- On page 2 – £9,974 in cash which the BID has generated on top of the BID levy income and which come through the accounts, but also an additional £592,500 levered in as a result of partnership working, but which is not reflected in the accounts
- Page 3: an actual net spend of £491,216,190 from a budget projected net total spend of £381,000. The spend in excess of the budget was due to spending less than the budgeted figures in previous years. The CBID earmarked £55k from the reserves for the renewal ballot costs.
- Page 4 - changes to the Board over the last year – and lists the range of local organisations invited to sit on the Board as co-opted, non-voting members.
- Page 7 - headline figures for income and expenditure – and the surplus which carried forward.
- Page 12 which doesn't form part of our statutory return provides a more detailed breakdown of our income and expenditure.

The resolution to receive and approve the Annual Report and Accounts for 2014/15 was proposed by Lawrence Williams, seconded by Andy Lennox and passed unanimously

6. Election of new Directors

As per the Articles of Association, one third of the Board of Directors voluntarily stood down at the end of the second year of the BID.

Paul explained that in the event of a tie in the election for any position, the matter would be carried forward to the BID Board. Should there also be a tie at that point the Chairman would exercise his casting vote.

The following nominations had been received. There were no further nominations at the meeting. There was one place available in each sector and two places available in 'Other sector':

The following nominations have been received:

<i>Boscombe</i>	<i>Peter Ruscoe</i>
<i>West Cliff</i>	<i>Paul Clarke</i>
<i>Southbourne</i>	<i>Clive Mace</i>
<i>Local Authority</i>	<i>Cllr Lawrence Williams</i>
<i>Westbourne</i>	<i>Lia Martin,</i>
<i>Seafront / Pier Approach</i>	<i>David Lock</i>

Based on the agreed composition of the Board, more seats available than nominations received, with still one vacant seat available for Wesbourne representation.

Lia Martin and David Lock introduced as new nominees to the board.

No objections received on suggestion to appoint by handsight for all nominees. All nominees were appointed unanimously.

7. Appointment of auditors for 2014/15

Based on the service over the last two years the resolution was put to appoint Schofields Chartered Accountants of Bournemouth as auditors for the 2015/16 Accounts. This was proposed by David Bailey and seconded by Lawrence Williams and unanimously approved.

8. Looking forward

Paul took the opportunity to brief members on some of the new activities to be undertaken during 2016/17. He spoke about the variety of projects and events based on a detailed review of first two years which helped to meet members aspiration in a more strategic approach going forward and a growing wealth of research from previous year to ensure that the action plan has a really firm foundation. Paul highlighted challenges of reduced funding from government for local authorities, Challenge of globalisation in retail and tourism, and high demand to continue to deliver a variety of projects same time as preparing the renewal ballot 2017. Paul reminded that after the formal AGM two key speakers regarding Local Plans & Neighbourhood Plans and Winter Garden Development.

9. AOB

Paul took the AGM as the opportunity to thank all board members for their continuous support and engagement with the Coastal BID. Paul expressed the board's gratitude to Ian Goode who stood down this year by thanking him for his time and input over the years as Board member.

The meeting was formally closed and as guest speakers introduced:

Cllr Jane Kelly

Bournemouth Council

Portfolio Holder Regeneration & Public Health

Theme: Local Plans & Neighbourhood Plans – involvement of business communities

Peter Lamb

Savills

Theme: Winter Garden Development