



Minutes

Big Local Central Jarrow Open Meeting

31st July 2018

Big Local Base, Jarrow Hub

Chairman Roy Merrin

Minutes Anne Corrigan

Present	
Anne Corrigan Minutes /Project Coordinator Keith Hemmer Vice Chair Roy Merrin Chair Cllr J Perry Resident Hannah Burman- Resident John Drynan - Resident	Cllr Ken Stephenson Elected Representative Rosalind Taylor – Community Development Worker Shay Simpson - Resident Mark Gibson – Resident Laura Connolly -Resident
Welcome and Apologies	
Christopher Pickering – Organisation Sheila Spour – Resident Maddie Lynsey -Resident Pete Duncan –Local Trust Representative Nicole Abbott -LTO	
Minutes from Previous Meeting	
Agreed	
Matters Arising:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gateway Feature- Representative from Groundwork was not in attendance an update is in the Project Monitoring – discussed at agenda item 4. • Jarrow In Bloom – Representative from Groundwork not in attendance- monitoring presented nad Groundwork have suggested a halt is called to the Project and unspent money returned to Big Local. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Agreed Action – The Board expressed their disappointment that the project had not had a greater focus and push in the community and agreed to accept return of any unspent monies. Coordinator to ascertain amount remaining from Groundwork and organise repayment.</i> • Partnership with Jarrow Hall –The funding has been agreed with Jarrow Hall Manager L Venus and assurance this will be actioned as quickly as possible in order that the summer is not missed. 	

- *Agreed Action – Coordinator to monitor and push for this to be actioned.*
- Credit Union administration : No update available
- Picnic in the Park – The event was a huge success, in future porta-loos would be needed but otherwise very positive feedback with over 1000 people mostly families attending.
- Big Local Representative – Pete Duncan who carried out or assessment at the beginning of the year will be our appointed Representative moving forward.
- Elberfeld and Wuppertal – there has been a change in housing officer since the walk around. STH and GW to meet on 6th August to plan the event and confirm dates.
- Visit from CEO Local Trust – Matt leach intends to visit Big Local Central Jarrow on the 23rd November – times and schedule of events to be agreed.

Monitoring and Feedback

New Ideas Fund:

The summary was agreed as a true reflection and it was noted that a number of the projects had been hugely successful with a positive impact, projects such as the calligraphy, early years music and the community choir are thriving beyond the length of the project and are aiming to be sustainable long term with positive benefits for residents of Central Jarrow.

Landscape and Gardening Project

The summary was agreed as a true reflection of the project.

Actions Agreed: Coordinator to pass on the following Feedback to the Landscape and Gardening Project:

Community Engagement:

-Which community events have you engaged with and how did you raise the profile of Big Local?

-The monitoring indicates you have not been able to link with other projects such as YMCA to involve young people – what actions are in place to address this?

The Community events organised - there should have been two this quarter, but only one took place, will there be extra activity over the summer period? What were the numbers of those engaging?

Apprentice – the new apprentice is from outside the Big Local Area, will there be a guarantee that both apprentices will have dedicated time in the Big Local area supporting improvements?

Jarrow in Bloom – this has been disappointing and the Board agreed that the unspent money can be returned to the Board. Please can you confirm the amount so the Chair can write a letter to account for the monies.

Gateway Feature – decision deferred to August Board meeting when Andy Whittaker and representative from STH will be there.

Youth Project:

The Board agreed the monitoring as a true reflection of the work, in particular links with other organisations to increase the experiences and opportunities for young people, engagement is increasing, Hadrian's Wall Challenge and participation in art activity.

Discussed the current art project in the underpass with CAPNE – vandalism had already taken place, a discussion took place re mobile cameras and YMCA liaising with wardens to increase vigilance in that area.
Action Agreed: To offer a further Board place for a young person with full voting rights, however, any young people who want to be involved will be welcomed on to the Board. Coordinator to liaise with YMCA to progress this action.

Unltd

The first panel for expression of interests took place on the 11th of July. There were 4 applicants and the panel progressed three to the next stage of application with Unltd. It is anticipated they will be informed of the outcome today 31st July.
 Hannah informed the Board she had been one of the applications and her application was successful. She was very excited about developing her project to support residents with disabilities to enter the job market and reach their potential. A brief outline of the project was given.
 The fourth application was deferred for further work.
 Unltd anticipate the next round of applications should be ready to go to panel in early Autumn.

Social Enterprise Sub Group

The sub group are at the very early stages of exploration – the aim is to create a legacy project/ a space which will in the long term maintain some of the work of Big Local in the long term.
 The priority is identifying a need and barriers to social enterprise and engaging with the local authority to identify any opportunity to utilise unused buildings. John Drynan asked if consideration would be taken of the impact of any services offered in this space on the impact of local business already established in the area for example if there was a café? The sub group agreed this would be built into any scoping/ profiling moving forward.

Local Trust National Event

5 residents travelled down to this event in London (Keith Hemmer, Hannah Burman, Mark Gibson and Shay and Lynsey Simpson)
 There was representative from all 150 areas with over 400 people attending.
 The residents fed back on their experience of the event and had found it very valuable. Keith had attended workshops on setting up a community cinema, he was very excited by this and was now booked onto some accredited training to explore this further. He was also inspired by the workshop from Fun Palaces – they support with the setup of a skills matrix of what people want and need and matching up the need.
 Hannah was inspired by the workshops on working together with partners in the public sector, Mental health First Aid and how some Big Locals are tackling mental health issues, exploring the key social issues of the next decade and social enterprise – scoping and developing ideas. Hannah through connections at the event has been involved with the evaluation of the Local Trust website. Also discussed how to involve

the young people more and how their voice can be heard.
 Mark would like to explore further the work of Fun Palace and he found linking up with other Big Local areas beneficial – in particular Gateshead – they have established an offer with bikes similar to what he is trying to do through funding from Unltd. Mark went on to express some of his frustrations in establishing his biking venture. Cllr Perry asked him to pass on the contact details of officers discussed.
 Shay and Lynsey also attended the Community Cinema workshop, Shay went on to say that our Partnership Board appear to be very fortunate in the relationship they have with the Local Authority, Councillors and Authority Officers. He explained that many of the Partnerships Boards said they struggle to engage with their Local Authority and don't have a positive relationship, he said we are very lucky to have councillors and indeed the mayor on our Board and that they are supportive what we are trying to do. This was reiterated by Hannah^[hb1]
 The Chair thanked the residents for taking time out to travel to London and represent Jarrow residents at this National Event.

Creative Civic Change

Information was circulated prior to the meeting. A discussion took place as to whether the partnership Board were in a position or had the capacity to apply for this funding. Laura, Hannah and Mark had a tentative interest and may be interested in applying for this. They will look further at the criteria and liaise with the coordinator.

Creating Better Places for Young People

Information was circulated prior to the meeting of the opportunity to attend this event. Places can be booked directly following the links on the information presented. All travel will be paid for.
 The information had been circulated to YMCA – Youth Project they will be sending representation.

AOB

The Chair on behalf of the Partnership Board wished Hannah and her partner Alex congratulations and happiness for their forthcoming wedding.

- MacMillan Coffee Morning 26th September 10-12
- Older peoples event October 4th at the Alberta
- Christmas party 2nd December 1-3

Dates of future meetings to be held in Big Local Base , Jarrow Hub

- Tuesday 28th August Board meeting – 6pm
- Tuesday 25th Sept Open Meeting – 6pm
- Tuesday 30th October Board meeting -6pm
- Tuesday 27th November Planning meeting – 5pm

