



*Bishopston, Cotham & Redland
Community Partnership*

Minutes of the BCR Partnership Committee meeting held at 3.00 pm on Monday, 12th April 2021 (Online Zoom Meeting)

Present: Roger Gimson, Alison Bromilow, Peter Browne, Kevin Chidgey.

1 Appointment of Officers

1.1 Roger Gimson agreed to stay on as Chair, Alison Bromilow as Vice-Chair and Peter Browne as Treasurer: Kevin Chidgey to continue secretarial duties, primarily the recording of Committee and public meetings.

2 Recruitment of Additional Committee Members

2.1 Roger Gimson agreed to send out a note to partners informing them of the officer appointments and asking for volunteers to join the Committee.

2.2 Community group partners will also be invited to confirm their membership of the BCR Community Partnership and to advise us if they wish to change their BCR CP contact.

2.3 It was agreed that it might be easier to attract additional Committee members when we are able to hold face to face public meetings

3 Bank Account Signatories

3.1 Peter Browne, Roger Gimson and Kevin Chidgey are signatories with online access to our Lloyds Bank account: Michelle Tedder is a cheque book signatory.

4 Equipment Loans – Should we ask for donations?

4.1 We currently lend out equipment to community groups (including groups who are not BCR CP partners), asking groups to pay a deposit of £30 and to make a £10 donation. It was agreed that we should no longer ask for a donation and that we should alter the equipment loan terms and conditions to this effect.

5 Communications – should we still use Twitter?

5.1 We currently have both Facebook and Twitter platforms on the BCR web site but Alison does not use Twitter regularly.

5.2 It was agreed that we should continue to support Facebook which has regular followers and to remove Twitter from the web site. We should keep the Twitter account dormant just in case we decide to revive it at some future date (eg. to reach younger people who tend to use Twitter).

6 Elections: alerting people to candidates/ hustings

- 6.1 It was agreed that we should post a list on our web site of candidates standing in the four 6th May elections (city councillors for the three BCR wards plus Ashley and Clifton Down wards, Bristol Mayor, Combined Authority Mayor, Avon and Somerset Police Commissioner). We should also give more information on local councillor candidates on our Facebook page.
- 6.2 With regard to hustings it was agreed that we will not organise any hustings ourselves but post information on hustings being planned by other bodies (eg. Bristol Walking Alliance, the Bristol Green Capital Partnership).
- 6.3 It was also agreed that to provide a link on our web site to the City Council's election page.

7 Plans for the coming year (including June Forum?)

- 7.1 It was agreed that we should hold a public meeting in the second half of June / early July to meet our new councillors and to consider any emerging Community Levy Infrastructure (CIL) bids. Roger agreed to contact councillors in mid May to check their availability.
- 7.2 We should try for a face to face public meeting if Covid regulations allow and a zoom meeting if this is not possible. Given that people might still be wary of attending a face to face meeting we may have to consider a hybrid meeting with people able to either attend in person or participate via zoom.
- 7.3 We should fix a date for the meeting by the end of May to give reasonable notice to councillors, partners and other participants.
- 7.4 Roger agreed to check on the possible availability of Bishopston Library and make a provisional booking(s).
- 7.5 It was agreed that we should review circumstances in a month's time to decide whether we can and should hold a face to face meeting.

8 Any other business

- 8.1 There was no further business

The meeting ended at 4.00 pm
