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Minutes of STP Board Meeting

Date Thursday 27 January 2022
Venue Microsoft Teams
Time 4:00 – 5:30pm

Present-

Jacqui Dallimore (JD) (Chair)
 Scott Dolling (SD)
 Alison Dewey (AD)
 Cllr Carole Mulroney (CCM)
 Marc Miller (MM) (Vice Chair)
 Joan Tiney (JT)
 Denise Rossiter (DR)
 Helen Symmons (HS)
 John Harland (JH)
 Alice Pickering (AP)

Roslin Beach Hotel, Managing Director
 SBC Director of Culture and Tourism
 SBC Head of Culture & Tourism Strategy
 SBC, Cabinet Member for Business, Culture & Tourism
 Stockvale
 Borough Hotel/SSIBA
 Essex Chambers
 Leigh-on-Sea Council - Town Clerk
 Genting Casino
 SBC (minute taking)

Apologies

Ellen McPhillips (EM)
 Ross McGrane (RM)

Southend Theatres
 Little Smash Comedy

Discussion Points		Action
1.	<p><u>Welcome and apologies.</u></p> <p>EM and RM sent apologies.</p>	
2.	<p><u>Minutes from previous meeting</u></p> <p>Hoarding at Leigh on Sea foreshore office not been addressed.</p> <p>Vacant posts of STP board filled by John Harland and Ross Mcgrane.</p> <p>What's on being sent out every month via STP newsletter. To be displayed in cultural venues.</p>	
3	<p><u>Illuminations</u></p> <p>A proposed illumination project supported by STP still in planning stages but proposed to be phased over 4 years. Please refer to last meetings minutes. 21/10/21</p>	

	<p>LuminoCity festival of Light going ahead 16 – 19 February. See point 7</p> <p><u>Updates from each sector</u></p> <p><u>Hospitality</u></p> <p>Roslin bookings down in December with cancellations before Christmas. Restaurant busy for the past month. Issues raised with parking – see point 5</p> <p><u>Leigh</u></p> <p>Leigh had issues with squirrels chewing through Christmas light installations, 300 letters received for Santa. A grant has been received to repair the paddling pool at Bell Wharf. Coastal defence projects awaiting planning permission. Leigh Town Council producing a ‘Safe Sun’ project to offer free sun cream to visitors. Looking at community parties for the Jubilee with Friends of Leigh Library Gardens getting involved.</p> <p><u>Central Seafront</u></p> <p>It was noted that the toilets facing the sea by the fountains have been locked. - SD to investigate. Seafront fountains being refurbished week starting 31/01/22. Ten days work will be completed in time for half term. The jets are being replaced which will result in higher jet streams, there will be more control over the colours.</p> <p><u>Attractions</u></p> <p>Adventure Island putting forward planning permission for a giant wheel measuring 36/37 metres tall to celebrate Southend’s city year. It was noted that the Lagoon should be filled in time for half term.</p> <p><u>Business Sector</u></p> <p>Energy prices going up is having an effect for all sectors. DR will be meeting with new MP when elected.</p> <p><u>Culture/Theatres/Night-time economy</u></p> <p>EM leaving current role to program for HQ Theatres nationally, will introduce replacement to board when in place.</p>	
4	<p><u>Parking</u></p> <p>Discussion took place regarding the proposed increase of parking times until 9pm along the seafront area and Thorpe Bay - zone1A. STP board members to present a united front on the proposed changes. To draft a letter to focus on the facts and put forward an alternative.</p>	SD
5	<p><u>City update</u></p> <p>City Status week starts with a memorial concert for David Amess ‘He Built this City’ on Sunday 13 Feb. The official date for hand over will be Wednesday 16 February and will involve a dignitary visit. High street banners will be in place with city</p>	ALL

7	<p>branding. City status does not bring any Government budget/funding. Southend will bid for City of Culture in 2029.</p> <p><u>Culture and events</u></p> <p>AD gave an overview of LuminoCity. Funding from the Government's welcome back fund secured. STP board members invited to preview night. The launch date of the festival will be the first day of the City handover and dignitary visit. Several events in the place for the year, including Southend Festival, Leigh Folk and Halloween parade. Spark! Drummers already booked in.</p> <p>AD gave a preview of Street art festival proposed from September 'City Jam'. Worldwide Street artists already secured for the event. Looking at announcing in March, will advertise for sponsors and walls to be donated.</p>	
8	<p><u>AOB/CIC Discussion</u></p> <p>Board decided CIC discussion would be discussed at a later date. DR to circulate more information regarding this proposal and to have separate discussion with JD.</p> <p>Agreed next meeting should be a casual face to face at the end of February beginning of March.</p>	
<p>Date of next of official meeting: 21 April 2022</p>		