

# CHELTENHAM CIVIC SOCIETY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING ON 14<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2022

## RECORD OF DECISIONS

**Present** Andrew Booton (AB-Chair), Peter Sayers (PS -Vice Chair), Mike Richardson (MR -Secretary) Steve Bryson (SB), Hugh Curran (HC), Tess Beck (TB), Sarah Harvey (SH)

**Apologies for Absence** Claire Attenborough (AB-Treasurer), Mike Rigby (MR)

**Next Meeting** 5 p.m. on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2022

**Declarations of Interest** No declarations of interest were made.

Item	Issue	Key Points	Decisions and Actions
<b>1. Introduction</b>		The Chair welcomed members to the meeting	
<b>2. Record of decisions</b>	October	All items are covered in the agenda	
<b>3.Updates</b>	3.1 Finance	Income / Expenditure report received. The Treasurer will update Trustees on finance options by Email.	Decisions before the meeting on 12 <sup>th</sup> December CA
	3.2 Parmoor	Revised plans, better use of space, to be shared with our Planning Committee. Will proceed with pre-app discussions immediately. Chair to share plans with CCS members and Cambray neighbours after pre-app. Tree Survey to be arranged. Asbestos Survey to be sought from previous occupier.	AB AB AB AB
<b>4. Updates</b>			
4.1 Campaigns	Cheltenham Heritage Strategy	AB's proposal letter on behalf of 9 amenity groups to CBC not yet acknowledged. A Heritage Forum will be formed within CCS identifying work to be continued / undertaken by various groups. Chair to chase CBC.	AB

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	The Minster Quarter	Consensus view was “underwhelming”. Benches are palette for vandalism, paths not level and causing puddles, metal edges create trip hazards. Poor attention to detail. When open, footfall should reduce vandalism.	AB to write to CBC to confirm snagging. AB to confirm CCS logo inclusion on Heritage Watch signs.
	Lansdown Industrial Estate	Maintaining high media profile. CBC Planning December 2022 meeting TBC. Draft letter to Unite and Unison unions (pension fund trustees). Encourage letters opposing plan. Ramp up protests. Councilors responsible for loss of historic building if they give permission.	AB to approach Civic Voice – could Griff Rhyss-Jones raise issue? Email to members - AB/SB. HC to contact affiliated organisations to encourage their members. TB to contact Local Democracy.
4.2 Comms	Website and Our Town	Website updated and security certificate checked. Checking a problem with Firebox browser. November issue of Our Town. Imperial Square railings, Parmoor plans, Town Centre Mastersplan. Cambray story (AP), Lansdown Industrial Estate.	Confirm all corporate members and membership now £150 - MR/CA Post printed copies to members - HC
4.3 Events	Lansdown Place	Very successful event. Reserve list plus places for second visit 29 <sup>th</sup> November at 6 p.m. Restrict invitation to membership	Email to members - HC Names of first visit to check membership - SH/HC
	Venue	The New Club 2 Montpelier Place GL50 1UD as an interim meeting place? Need to maintain momentum over the winter. Tour of New Club?	Christmas meeting for new members in January – SH/TB/HC
4.4 HODs	Theme	8 <sup>th</sup> to 17 <sup>th</sup> September 2023. Theme is Arts and Creativity. Should include History. Gloucester Radio involved. Public Art Committee will share dates.	SH to publicise.

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4.5 Successful Streets Group	Campaigns	<p>Limited by resources so need volunteers. Membership subgroups on topics (not areas) need defined tasks and objectives.</p> <p>Sub groups on public realm.</p> <p>GCC exploring sponsorship of tree pits. AB has emailed Danny Taylor offering support.</p> <p>Street furniture offer could include different approach, eg local design/manufacture.</p> <p>Tourist Box – Weekends run by Tourist Information Service, weekdays by CBC staff. Sites' sheds should be more appropriate to town centre</p> <p>Street clutter – concentrate on issues appropriate for CBC action. Is there a licensing issue for some street clutter?</p> <p>Promenade – more tarmac infills as GCC cannot replace stones in current financial year. Bollards to be reinstated by March 2023.</p>	<p>Email to members - HC</p> <p>AB to follow up</p> <p>Meet with Karen Watson - HC</p> <p>TB to monitor. HC to address boxes.</p> <p>HC</p> <p>Contact GCC Member for Highways. Enforce the contract for replacing broken stones with stones not tarmac. Copy appropriate CBC member. AB</p>
4.6 Planning	Cambray Riverside	Proposal to CBC Planning Committee delayed – December? Lessons learned article in Our Town.	If it goes through need a `publicity campaign - AP/SB
4.7 Membership	Statistics	<p>Need access to bank account to confirm membership renewals.</p> <p>Build membership from affiliates, other groups, Residents' groups.</p>	<p>CA to work with HC to verify monthly. Change 'family' to 'joint' membership - HC</p> <p>Corporate membership £150 WEF Jan 23. Send invoices in January - HC</p> <p>Members to set up or revise standing orders to reflect new rates - HC</p> <p>Promote membership as a Christmas present on soc media - AB</p>
<b>5. Fund Raising</b>	Specialist help	Technical details needed for some applications.	AB/PS to review.
<b>6. Any Other business</b>	Willans	Contract for House Manager in progress	AB/PS

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	Professional conduct	Case still tbc	AB to check.
	Temp structures	131 The Promenade appealing decision. CT submitting new application by 30 Nov 22.	AB/AP
	Sir George Dowty	CCS will support campaign for memorial/monument. Strand or Cambray Place as suitable sites? Corporate membership for Saffran Group who own Dowty Engineering?	AB/HC HC
	CBC Corporate Plan 2023 -2027	Hold response until formal consultation.	TB