

Orpington 1st AGM 2017

13/06/2017, 12:30 – 13:30

BR6 Restaurant, Orpington Campus, London South East Colleges

Minutes

		Action
1	Notice of the meeting	
1.1	<p>Attendees: Martin Price – Chair (Walnuts Shopping Centre) David Warnes (Bromley College) Sia Bodbin (Kenton Homes)</p> <p>Martin Pinnell (LBB) Cllr. Huntingdon-Thresher (LBB) Sgt. McLaughlin (Met Police)</p> <p>Sharon Baldwin – Executive Director Chris Travers – BID Manager</p> <p>Emma Jones (Sainsbury's) Zoe Gibbons (Perry's) Louise Crocker Lancaster (Orpington Village Hall) Norman Farrow (Orpington Village Hall) Vernon Hadida (Thomas Dunton Solicitors) Andy Adams (Pizza Express) Eniko Benfield (Compassion Homecare) Tony Benfield (Compassion Homecare) Heather O'Reilly (Pure Gym) Mark Ellis (Pure Gym) Sara King (Calford Seaden) Chandra Sharma (Tangent Office Resources) Sigrid Sherrell (Tindle News) Ben Madden (CWJ) Martin Agdemir (Hisar)</p>	



	<p>Apologies Neil Davies (Sainsbury's) Bill Perera (McDonald's) Susan Willans (Library)</p>	
2	<p>Chairman's Introduction MP welcomed attendees.</p>	
3	<p>Directors' Report SB read the Directors' Report on behalf of the board, copies of which are available online.</p>	
4	<p>Presentation of Financial Statements SB gave an outline of spend and income for the period 1st April 2016 – 31st March 2017, copies of which were available at the meeting, and advised that the copies were also available online.</p>	
5	<p>Retirement of Board Members by rotation As dictated in the articles of association, the longest serving directors are required to retire. Bill Perera was retired as the longest serving director not to have been previously retired by rotation. Sia Bodbin nominated Bill Perera. David Warnes seconded the nomination. Bill Perera was re-elected as a director.</p>	
6	<p>BID Board Q&A MP invited questions from the floor.</p> <p>Chandra Sharma (Tangent Office Resources) questioned whether the occupiers of the Pop Up premises were now permanent tenants. Sharon Baldwin informed CS that the current tenants were set to vacate in August. CS questioned whether there was a maximum tenancy. SB advised that each agreement would be judged on its merits and benefits to the high street.</p> <p>Ben Madden (Clarkson Wright & Jakes) asked for clarification on the renewal process. SB advised that all eligible businesses (those who would be subject to pay a BID levy) would be voting on whether the BID should be continued for a</p>	

	<p>second term from 2018 – 23. Following further consultation with town centre businesses a BID Proposal document will be published ahead of the 28 day postal ballot period (October 6th – November 2nd). For the BID to be continued, the ballot must be successful on two counts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Over 50% by number of votes must be in favour. ii) Over 50% of the combined rateable value of voters must be in favour. <p>Norman Farrow (Orpington Village Hall) thanked the BID for their continued support and enquired whether the team knew of any plans to bring in a department store/an anchor tenant for the town. SB informed attendees that there were no immediate additions of that nature lined up but that the BID were working with LBB and Cushman & Wakefield on a town centre plan that would focus on the opportunities of both sites and premises that could accommodate such a business. Our intention is to use the plan and data to target specific investment.</p> <p>Louise Crocker Lancaster commented that the town has seen a big improvement since 2013 and thanked the BID for their continued efforts.</p>	
<p>7</p>	<p>End of Formal Business MP brought the meeting to a close and thanked attendees for their time.</p>	

