



SWBA BID: Minutes of Board Meeting – 6 May 2021 (Venue: Video conference)

1. Apologies

Present: Directors - John Simpson (White Light), John D'Aprano (DS Systems), Nick Stefka (Box Office Supplies) and Ian Docksey (Trinitarian Bible Society)

Estate Coordinator - Claire Morris

Apologies: Directors: Lee Anderson (GreenLight)

2. Matters arising from last BID Board meeting (1 April 2021)

Following Helen Santer's attendance at the meeting to discuss the forthcoming rebalot a formal contract had now been signed and she would be starting work on this shortly.

3. Covid-19 – update

It was generally agreed that the situation was beginning to improve. Businesses and the estate appeared noticeably busier than had been the case for some time which was a very welcome development.

4. BID Proposals – Progress on Delivery Plan

It was noted that:

- Merton Council was currently considering its response to the BID's proposal for new wayfinding arrangements. There had been a suggestion by the Council that this might be included in a wider Merton application for GLA funding under a recently announced greening recovery scheme. However, a decision would not be made on applications for this scheme until the autumn of 2021 and there was no guarantee that this would be successful. In view of these considerations, it was agreed that the BID should continue to progress this project separately;
- the Council had still to resolve the issue affecting the monitoring of the new CCTV cameras and the BID would therefore continue to press for this to be done as a matter of urgency;
- it was agreed that the current host of the SWBA website would be commissioned to rebuild this to address the current problems being experienced. As part of this work the website's content would be updated as appropriate.

5. Financial Matters

It was reported that the transfer to the Xero accounting system had been successfully completed and the BID's accounts were now fully digital.

6. Any Other Business

There had been several instances of fly tipping in recent weeks but these had been rapidly removed. The fencing along the footpath from Deer Park Road to Deen City Farm had been damaged in places and the Council had therefore been asked to deal with this urgently. Apart from this, the estate was generally considered to be in very good condition at present.

7. Dates of next meetings:

SWBA Members' meeting - 12.30pm, 3 June 2021

SWBA Directors' meeting - 12.30pm, 1 July 2021