Minutes of BBEST SG meeting, 25th March 2014. Octagon Council Chamber

Present		Action
Acalonias	Pete Marsh PM (in the Chair) Ann Daw ATD(Vice Chair) Chris Topliss CT (Treasurer) Alan Wellings AW Ally Buckle AB(Union of Students) Jayne Brayley JB Bernard Donnelly BD Howard Fry HF Kath O'Donovan KO (Secretary)	
Aoplogies	Leni Williams PM introduced the SG and Jayne Brayley, a new Forum	
Introductions	member attending for the first time.	
2 Minutes of the previous meeting, 25 th February	Minutes placed on BBEST website. Forum members and interested organisations informed.	
2 Matters arising from the meeting on 25 th February	 Social media Agreed to set up Facebook for private use whilst discussions on management are finalised. Agreed to advertise for student volunteer to run the BBEST website, with LA managing content. The student should be remaining in Sheffield for 	AB
	 the next year at least. PM to draw up a job description for the next meeting. 	РМ
	 MW will set up BBEST Twitter account, for information only at the moment. General information leaflets 	*
	 MW agreed to take on role of providing 'journalistic' content for BBEST. 	*
	 Agreed to provide draft texts for 2 leaflets for the next meeting, based on exisiting text prepared for the housing survey: 1. General 'what is neighbourhood planning' 2. BBEST and our local planning 	*
	Neighbourhood planning workshop	
	 PM reported on the successful workshop set up by SCC on 13 March. Members of he three existing local forums – BBEST, Dore and Stocksbridge attended. The Council explained their decision to prepare a new Plan, as the current one does not include enough housing development land. The current data for include in 2017. 	
	date for implementation is 2017.The requirement for additional land for housing is	

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	likely to affect the other two areas more than the	
	BBEST area.	
2 Council	SCC are planning a further workshop in the future.	PM
3. Council recognition	SCC accepted the BBEST constitution in March. A 6 week consultation period should begin shortly, although no publicity has been seen to date, and, assuming there are no objections, BBEST will be recognised within the next couple of months. PM to contact Laurie Platt for	PM
	further information.	
4. BBEST Action	 BBEST Action is the name of the corporate body formed to handle the grant money (£7000 les 10% retained) to support the project. The bank account is now in place and funds should already be available. The first task is to organise insurance for third party liability, which will unlock the possibility of engaging student volunteers. BBEST Action officers will meet to discuss financial strategy for the funding. It is unlikely that BBEST will move this to charity status in the future even if this option becomes available. It is now possible to apply to Locality for direct support. ATD will make the application. 	CT PM, ATD, CT, KO ATD
5. Logo	SG selected the new logo from the two presented. Both were attractive and relevant. The selected logo will be used on all BBEST publications. (Including this one if I can get hold of it)	
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6a Retail Centre	 A lot of work has been done by various members of SG and others to contact shopkeepers. Many are interested in the work of the Forum. A Co-ordinator is needed to form a network for discussion and perhaps get some people together for discussion. PM will approach a possible co-ordinator and CT and BD agreed to assist with this work. SG discussed other business areas who might be approached as groups or separately: supermarkets, banks, schools. Agreed to set up a list of interested shopkeepers. AW to send Broomhill Festival list as a basis. 	PM CT/BD AW, KO
6b Broomhill Festival	 Due to the changes in timing in line with SCC new planning framework, the Broomhill Festival will be important for BBEST for the next two years. Two events are planned: a stall at the garden party and a 'professional' session. The professional session may be limited in June 	

	 2014 as an initial meeting with the UoS School of Architecture would be taking place the next day, giving not much time to prepare for June. It might also be difficult to find a location. BBEST presence at the garden party would be in the form of a stall with an enlarged copy of the area map. It was envisaged that this would start the process of engagement with local people. Providing activities for children would be important. A number of ideas came forward which need to be examined for feasibility in June 2014. AW to book a stall with the garden party organisers. ATD will organise printing of the plan. AB could provide a 'Waitrose style' box for collecting views on questions which might be asked. A co-ordinator is needed to take on the detailed organisation of the event. ATD keen to be involved in this event. KO to circulate all members to ask for assistance. Agreed that it would be a good idea to close Fulwood Road in front of the shops at some point during the festival. ATD has an article on the impact of such schemes on communities and will circulate. 	AW ATD AB KO ATD
6c Pilot housing survey	The pilot housing survey had gone well, with a 76% response rate in the Mooroaks triangle. Analysis has started and more figures would be available for the next meeting. PM tabled a report on the experience which is included with these minutes.	
7 Student Union change of officers	The new student officers take up their posts on 4 th July. The new President is Yael Shafritz. Agreed that PM will make a presentation to the Officers during their training period (July to September) and ask for a volunteer to take AB's place on SG. PM and AB to arrange date. If possible invite the relevant student volunteer organiser to attend this meeting. ATD will talk in more detail to the volunteer.	AB PM ATD
8. Student volunteers	 AB noted that it would be useful to recruit general BBEST volunteers, rather than focus on particular events like the housing survey. BBEST could then call on volunteers from a pool. Areas might be: survey work, data entry, such other tasks as might become available. PM To prepare a policy for student and other volunteers for the next meeting. Arrange meeting with relevant staff in student 	PM AB/PM

	 volunteering office. TRP students could be targeted in particular. Also arrange presentation to the Student Council. 	For 2014-15
9 Any other business	 BBEST website. It has become clear that there is a problem accessing the website, with a loop back to a page with no further links. All agreed that this needs to be fixed as soon as possible. AW explained that the site is hosted in the US on a free service. This does not enable mail to be sent from the site using STMP and requires manual updates of software. Agreed to upgrade to paid service at around £30 pa. Agreed to look more closely at issues around the website. Note: agreed to draw up job summary for student website manager – Item 2 Social media. 	AW
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12 Dates of future meetings	 22 Apr - Octagon Council Chamber 27 May - Octagon Council Chamber 24 June - Octagon Council Chamber 22 July – location TBC – AB 26 Aug - Octagon Council Chamber 23 Sep - Octagon Council Chamber 28 Oct - Octagon Council Chamber 25 Nov - Octagon Council Chamber 23 Dec – location TBC - AB 	