

# MINUTES Canterbury Business Improvement District Annual General Meeting 2022

Date: Wednesday 21 September 2022 Location: Canterbury Cathedral Lodge

# **Attendees (BID Board and Executive Team)**

#### **Board Directors**

Clare Millett, Westgate Hall Paul Turner, Marlowe Theatre Bill Hicks, Canterbury City Council (CCC) Blake McCaskill, Republic Events Clive Relf, Kreston Reeves Dan Grimwood, The Refectory Kitchen David Lilford, Lilford Gallery & Lilford Framing David Wilkinson, Canterbury Cathedral Joanna Richardson, Shepherd Neame Marco Keir, Canterbury Christ Church University Mark Pegg, Loake Shoemakers Sarah Wren, Oscar & Bentleys Simon Youden, Fenwick Karl Elliot, Clague Architects Philip Pothen, University of Kent

#### **Board Observers:**

David Kemsley, Alliance of Canterbury Residents Groups CI Mark Hedges, Kent Police

BID Team
Lisa Carlson, CEO
Rachel Pilard, Head of Marketing and
Communications
Lucy Martin, Operations Director (job share)
Julia Wierucka, Operations Manager (job share)
Kathy Mouton, Business Development
Manager
Emily Wells, Administrator
Simon Jackson, Ambassador Team Leader
Zak Rees, Ambassador

### **Apologies**

## **BID Board**

Rachel Sanders, Bo Concept
Alexandra Gordon, Brachers
David Lewis, Café du Soleil / des Amis
Jon Mills, The Foundry
Mark Stuart, Whitefriars Shopping Centre
Hilary Brian, Canterbury Society (observer)

## Attendees:

Every effort was made to record attendance, but some people may have come in later and not been captured on the list.

Abi Britland, Lush Adam Ready, Herd. Adrian Mills, Canterbury River Boat Tours Alan Bromyard, Café St Pierre Alister Brady, KCC Anna Carpenter, No. 35
Ben Fitter-Harding, CCC (Leader) – guest speaker
Ben Pearce, Digitalbeans
Clare Franks, Agora Models
Claudia Sykes, SEK Group



Dan Shelley, EKC David Redgate, Girlings Gareth Jones, Pitman Training Hannah Thompsett, The Abode Jack Bidewell, Christ Church University Jackie Bolt, Coombs Kent Jennifer Bennell, Purcell UK Architects Jenny Hattersley, Platform Arts Jessica Flower, Purcell UK Architects Jo Skelton, Porchlight Jon Brothwell, Pybus Optician Joy Davison, No. 35 Justine Gates, Canterbury River Boat Tours Laura Brown, Iconic by Fitzgerald Lavinia Watts, Lenleys Lee May, Brachers Leo Whitlock, CCC Lola Durodola, HSBC Lyra Benevenutti, The Real Eating Company Marie Eustace, University of Kent Marina Eleftheriades, ShoeMed Canterbury Matthew Sutton, Burgess Hodgson Melanie Sewell, Metro Bank Mick James, Catching Lives Nigel Lang, Nigel Lang PR Oleh Myroshnichenko, USAID Economic Resilience Activity (Ukraine) Oliver Greenfield, Lenleys Patricia Shepherd, AGE UK Canterbury Piperis Filippaios, Digitalbeans Rebecca Smith, Kent Business School, UoK Rhian Hopkins, Rhian Hopkins Business Support Richard Barwick, Coombs Kent Samer Bagaeen, University of Kent

Sandra Heyworth, Canterbury Cathedral Lodge

Sarah Mannooch, Brachers Sarah Wharton, 925 Simon Babes, GHD – guest speaker Simon Barker, The Abode Simon Bramley, The Cherry Tree Sinead Hanna, Sinead Hanna PR Steph Harris, B&M Construction Stephen Athanasiou, Purcell UK Architects Susan Braga, Christ Church University Susan Hickmott, Kent Sport, University of Kent Thomas Knight, The Cherry Tree Tim Aker, Federation of Small Businesses (FSB) Tim Mitford-Slade, Strutt & Parker Trevor Fitzgerald, Fitzgerald Jewellers Victoria Pobjoy, The Real Eating Company Zoe Rodda, Lily's Bistro Carl Wright, Canterbury Climate Action Partnership Caroline Demetriou, Christ Church University Edward Budden, Vodafone Ian Blackmore, Jolly Sailor Events Julia Brown, Eastbridge Hosptial Kieron Mercer, Violet Elizabeth Lian Harter, Purcell UK Architects Louise Knight, Eastbridge Hosptial Lucy Brickwood, Violet Elizabeth Matthew Arnold, Stagecoach South East Matthew Sims, CEO Croydon BID - guest speaker Mel Dawkins, CCC Councillor Nathan Crouch, Canterbury Cathedral Richard Moppett, Canterbury Cathedral Lodge Robert Mavers, Food For All UK Sarah Altun, Ossies Fish Bar

# Minutes:

Clare Millett, BID Board Chair and Chief Executive of The Westgate Community Trust welcomed everyone and introduced the agenda and speakers for the evening.

Paul Turner, BID Finance Chair and Board Vice-Chair, and Chief Finance Officer at The Marlowe Theatre, presented a financial update covering the second term of the BID (2019 to date), and the Year 2 Accounts, which have been approved by the BID Directors, filed at Companies House and published in full on the BID website.

Lisa Carlson, BID Chief Executive, presented a summary of the BID's activities in year 3 and plans for the year ahead.



Keynote presentations, followed by a Q&A, were given by:

- Simon Babes, Market Development Leader for EMEA at GHD on "Spend Insights for Canterbury",
- Matt Sims, CEO of Croydon BID on "Mobilising the business community to raise the bar, represent and collectively deliver on a national level", and
- Ben Fitter-Harding, Leader of Canterbury City Council on "Backing business and growth through our Corporate Plan, Local Plan and Levelling Up Fund bid"

This was followed by a panel and Q&A, and networking.

C. Metter

Signed: Date: 16/11/2022