Lowestoft Coastal Community Team
Steering Group meeting
Wednesday 24th April 2019
RS-G20N, Riverside Offices, Lowestoft

10 – 12am

Attendees
Danny Steel – South Pier Trust
Cllr Alice Taylor – Kirkley Business Association
Matthew Grafton – Community Action Suffolk
Richard Best – East Suffolk
Dan Poitras – Lowestoft Vision
Ruth Brander – Wellington Esplanade Lawn Association
Andrew Proven – Waveney Disability Forum

Attendees (cont)
Phil Aves – Lowestoft Rising
Tony Gittins - Lowestoft Tourism Group
Anne Willis – East Suffolk
Paul Wood – East Suffolk (Chair)
Steve Eggleton – Via Beata
Gill Eggleton – Via Beata

Apologies
Kerry Blair – East Suffolk
Gabriella Fox – East Suffolk
Emma Chapman – East Suffolk
Karla Supple – East Suffolk
Neil Cockshaw – East Suffolk
Rachel Beckett – Cefas
David Carlin – Cefas
Emma Butler Smith – Marina Theatre

Apologies (cont)
Cllr Jenny Ceresa - Waveney DC
Ben Thompson – South Pier Trust
Roy Emmerson – Community Action
Kate Ellis – East Suffolk
Cllr Neil Coleby – Lowestoft Town Council

Note of meeting;

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| 1.   | Welcome, introductions & minutes from the last meeting;  
Paul Wood welcomed all and introductions were provided around the table.  
There was one outstanding item carried over from the last meeting in January;  
- David Carlin and Rachel Beckett to feedback to CEFAS about the possibility of a time lapse web camera being installed to observe/record the construction of the CEFAS site redevelopment  
Completed from last meeting  
- Gabriella circulated the CCT Economic Plan to delegates ahead of this meeting as promised.  
- Representation of the various organisations supporting the CCT were reminded and requested to send an appropriate representative to this meeting.  
- Workshop with partners was completed. |
| 2.   | Fishermans Mission guest speakers – Mr & Mrs Eggleton  
Steve Eggleton provided a detailed presentation to the meeting regarding the proposed new sculpture to the South Pier, the sculpture forms part of the St David’s |
trail spreading across the country from Wales and to finish at the most easterly town Lowestoft. He explained the religious context of the sculpture, the probable materials to be used and the scale of the sculpture. The artist commissioned is Paul Pitworth and when the sculpture is completed it will be adopted by the South Pier Trust. There would be two sculptures; one would have an empty net and one full net of fish, which was in keeping with the Christian theme and story.

Full Planning approval would be required after Associated British Ports (ABP) also provide their agreement which would be positioned towards the end of the pier.

Concerns were expressed re the use of stainless steel, which we are advised is not suitable for visitors with impaired vision.

It was suggested that this sculpture could form part of a more local trail of sculptures and art work between CEFAS and the HAZ.

The meeting was further updated in terms of consideration to board the pier walkway.

Paul Wood confirm a conversation with the Council’s Planning Officers would be required to discuss the proposed sculpture, scale and positioning and Paul would provide Steve with a contact name.

Action 1: Paul Wood to provide Steve with a contact within Planning.

CCT Delivery Plan Update and Partner Updates

Richard Best led the discussion on the CCT delivery plan. See delivery plan for full updates.

Action 2: Matthew Grafton was to consider funding opportunities to extend the proposed South Beach Boardwalk to provide two wings to the main stage.

Action 3: Seafront concessions Cllr Alice Taylor prompted the reduction in seafront concessions charge to be publicly promoted, Anne Willis replace the ESC contact telephone number on the beach notice board.

Action 4: First Light Festival officers from the ESC Economic Regeneration Team will be manning a gazebo in Kensington Gardens to provide Tourist Information and project updates to visitors.

Action 5: Paul Wood will take a paper to ESC Cabinet in the Autumn to detail the updated event strategy.

Discussion regarding the meetings going forward

A discussion was held with some of the Members in attendance at an interim CCT meeting regarding the future delivery of the CCT meetings. Those in attendance were keen for the current format to continue and for further action to be taken to encourage absent partners to attend and support the steering group. Future meetings would be monitored.

AOB – No other business.
5. **Future Agenda Items/ Guest Speakers**

Future Agenda Items:
To discuss the format for the meetings going forward.

Suggestions for guest speakers (carried forward):
- Third crossing representative
- Oulton Broad Parish Council Coastal Management Team
- Heritage Action Zone (HAZ) including The Ness