

# BID Board Meeting Minutes

**Date:** 18 June 2026

**Location:** The Headland hotel

## Attendance

- D. Parker
- M. Honey Thornhill
- V. Palmer
- J. Parkin
- Mark Warren
- Zoe Ball

## Apologies

- L. Davies
- S. Karkeek
- A. Hannan
- A. Cole
- J. Jacobs
- G. Moore
- S. Venn

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## 1. Approval of Previous Minutes

The minutes from the previous Board meeting were approved.

- Proposed by: D. Parker
- Seconded by: M. Honey Thornhill

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## 2. Matters Arising

None.

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## **3. Manager's Report**

### **Finance Update**

Finance remains positive and the BID is currently in a good position with the way finances are being managed. Thanks were noted to A. Hannan, A. Cole and M. Honey Thornhill, who have taken responsibility for finances, alongside the rest of the Board for signing off invoices.

### **Funding Requests**

The Board discussed future funding requests and agreed there should be a move away from offering direct cash funding and instead focus on supporting businesses through BID assets and services. This includes:

- Marketing support
- Infrastructure
- Business contacts
- Assistance through Council connections

There is potential to create a PDF document outlining the different ways the BID can support businesses, while also highlighting that cash grants are rarely provided.

### **Town of Culture**

An update was provided regarding the Town of Culture application. The process has been delayed due to the high volume of applications, and a decision is not expected for approximately two months.

### **Murals Project**

The mural programme continues to receive positive feedback and there has been significant interest from private businesses.

An example discussed was the partnership between Poundland, Your Art Connect and a local mural trail artist to improve the rear of the building.

Although there is currently no funding available, the BID is actively looking for opportunities and aims to continue connecting local artists with interested businesses.

### **Summer Events Programme**

Recent events including Surf & Turf and the Taste Food Festival were both considered successful.

Markets are planned throughout the year, with discussions around:

- Potentially relocating the Produce Market to the Post Office area to increase space and improve footfall, with a target date of October.

- Exploring MCM Piazza as a possible future market location once completed next year.

The Board noted the importance of avoiding too many location changes to prevent public confusion.

A future idea discussed was creating a visual map of Newquay alongside an incorporated events and markets timetable if multiple market locations become established.

## **Surf & Skate Expo**

The Surf & Skate Expo is taking place at the end of July on the Killacourt. A mural will also be painted on the tram tracks as part of the event and will remain in place afterwards.

## **Boardmasters Town Event**

This year will be the first time a Boardmasters town event takes place.

Free town centre parking over the weekend was discussed as part of the “Newquay is Open for Business” campaign. Conversations are ongoing with Boardmasters regarding social media collaboration and Love Newquay involvement.

## **Zombie Crawl**

An update meeting has taken place regarding the Zombie Crawl event.

The BID has received FEAST funding for Hotch Potch, with additional support being provided by Sam Karkeek.

The Witch Paddle event was also discussed, with strong support for the event due to its potential for national press coverage. Further discussions to take place between Veryan and Sam.

Halloween-themed sand art was also discussed and the Board agreed to explore opportunities to involve Newquay’s main sand artists.

## **Openreach Art Scheme**

Discussions with Openreach are ongoing; however, their art scheme is currently closed. Alternative options, including progressing independently with painting projects, were discussed.

## **Newquay in Bloom**

The BID continues to work closely with Newquay in Bloom. The Board acknowledged the BID’s positive contribution through murals, bunting and shopfront improvement work.

Mark Warren will be carrying out a town walkthrough with the judges.

## **Tregunnel Hill Car Park Campaign**

The campaign continues, with over 800 signatures collected so far. The Board agreed that greater focus is needed on engaging residents, as they are the most impacted by the issue.

## **Love Newquay Updates**

Love Newquay social media updates continue to gain views and engagement.

Kirsten is currently developing a Brand Ambassador programme.

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## **4. Any Other Business**

### **D. Parker Presentation**

D. Parker shared a presentation with the Board and confirmed that a video version/explanation will be circulated for those unable to attend. The Board will discuss this further at next month's meeting.

### **Biffa Waste Collections**

Concerns were raised regarding Biffa waste collections, particularly rubbish being left overnight and the resulting impact on the cleanliness of the town.

The Board agreed that maintaining a clean and tidy town remains a priority.

Mark Warren will speak with the relevant Biffa contact regarding these issues.

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## **Meeting Closed**