Llandudno Business Forum Meeting 21st March 2024 – Providero

Attendees

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Paul Levy (PL)	Paul@livetech.co.uk	Live Tech

Jon Merrick opened meeting and welcomed all.

Thanks to Providero for hosting the meeting.

Reminder that notes from previous meetings can be found <u>Llandudno Business Forum - Llandudno.com</u>

Jon introduced the following topics for todays meeting

- 1. Poor mobile signal
- 2. Car Parking
- 3. Rough Sleepers
- 4. The Longest Yarn
- 5. Any news/updates

Poor Mobile Signal

Mobile Signal remains poor

<u>Seaside town is Wales' biggest resort but one massive issue leaves locals and visitors fuming - North Wales Live (dailypost.co.uk)</u>

However, there is a Planning application currently with CCBC for a further mast on land at Llandudno FC

Planning Explorer - Conwy County Borough Council - Planning Application 0/51201

Application for St Mary's Rd was rejected by residents. Would make sense to have in the centre of town – Multistorey car park an option? **LE to provide JM with contact details of Developers submitting for Football Club**

Comment also made that CCBC – free wifi – signing in page a bit clunky – HT to raise with CCBC IT Dept

Parking

DW raised concerns about plans for restrictions on parking on Mostyn St – LE advised that no plans to make any changes to this

LE commented on the issues with Permit parking on Tudno Street whereby the balance of residents permits incorrect

Multi-Storey signage poor but CCBC do not advertise as privately owned – JM needs to lobby Cllr Nigel Smith

Rough Sleepers

Huge problem with rough sleepers at back of old M&S building – Issues moving them on whilst works being carried out on building – Unpleasant and threatening

DW commented that PF had been attacked on his way home from working (9p.) at the tunnel walk through by old Outlet building. Has been reported to police but not been followed up by Police

LE – Meeting local police regarding issues – Rough sleepers now in town do not want or cannot be housed – need to keep reporting issues to PCSO Gail Starr

Option may to be consider ASBO for whole town for worst offenders

The Longest Yarn

GM provided details of the above which will arrive in Llandudno and be displayed at Trinity Church in October 2024 Details of which can be found via link below

The Longest Yarn to mark 80th anniversary of D-Day and this is where it will be | InYourArea Community

Local crafting groups are going to make displays to support the main display which they would like businesses to take part with.

Llandudno Museum will support events June- September

It was requested that FOM and their volunteers be thanked for all the hard work getting The Longest Yarn to Llandudno

Looking for support and sponsorship

Updates

SP - Motorsport Lounge/NWMC

Motorsport Lounge has now become a standalone business away from NWMC

NWMC taken back Mostyn Broadway which will be used as a showroom while their new showroom on Argyll Road is being built

Motorsport Lounge has a full programme of events booked for the year

DW - X Factory Ltd

Secured a lease on what was The Bubble Hut – property being refurbished and decorated before opening

EW – The Empire Hotel

A challenging winter for hospitality – demand down on bookings Need a strong summer

GR – Friends of Mostyn

Awarded a grant of £103K to undertake work on Tram shelter & play equipment

St Davids Hospice

25 Year anniversary events include Moonlight Walk Summer & Christmas Fayres

JC- Inscribe Print

December & January quiet months as expected – February & March have been busy .Leaflet & Poster distribution now commencing

TW - Maisies/Pendragon Drinks & the Chocolate Experience

Museum opened w/c 25/3

Both Maisies & the factory are busy

PL - Live Tech

Business is busy but struggling to recruit staff – the ability to work remotely means more options to work for City companies

JM – Mostyn Estates

Former M&S Building – asbestos now removed and Solar Panel s to be installed on roof

Looking at Design layout indoors - Restaurant/Bar and either Indoor Golf/Bowling

New tenant at St Kilda obtained Planning permission and will look to open 2025

Bodafon Fields

Transport Festival May

Music Festival pine festival | music | Bodafon Fields, Llandudno, UK August 2024

Tidying up Bodafon Farm site and looking at ideas of what to operate from there

AJ - Venue Cymru

February has been a good month with both the Snooker and Six (Musical), Wizard of Oz Good referrals to Hotels in vicinity for one night stays

GL - No 9

Numbers down for 2023 – Income impacted by: Some regular customers no longer travelling Minimum wage going up Weather

Next Meeting

23rd May 2024

8.00a.m Network

8.30a.m - 9.30a.m

Venue

TBC