

**Bridlington Renaissance Partnership
Strategic Partners Meeting
Thursday 1st November – 10.00am
Held at East Riding College, St. Marys Walk**

Minutes of the meeting

Present	Representing
Neil Watson	Bridlington Chamber Yorkshire Coast CLLD
Chris Wright	Bridlington Harbour Commissioners
Thelma Milns	Bridlington Town Council
Maureen Bell	Chair of Town Improvement Forum/Bridlington Civic Society
Paul Smith	East Riding College
David Dowson (Chair)	Lloyd Dowson/Bridlington Business Forum

Officers	
Denise Cowling	Renaissance Coordinator
Helena Moss	Local Growth Programme Manager
Ray Williamson	South Holderness FLAG

1	Welcome and Apologies
	Terry Dixon - Bridlington Town Council; Helen Wooldridge - East Riding College; Pete Ashcroft - Harbour Marina Project Manager, ERYC, Nigel Atkinson Head of Bridlington Renaissance; Martyn Coltman – Bridlington Old Town; Andy Burton – ERYC Councillor; Terry Dixon – Bridlington Town Council
2	Tour of College
	PS gave members of the Board a tour of the Health & Social Care Academy
3	FLAG Update
	<p>RW gave an update on the FLAG programme.</p> <p>South Holderness FLAG is funded by Marine Management Organisation and is one of six FLAGs in UK. . Current programme is worth £800k and all but £15k has been allocated. Team are currently bidding for further resource from MMO.</p> <p>Examples of funded projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> University of Hull – Lobster Study Specialised Business Adviser – supporting bids for boat improvements Specialist Fish Boxes Yorkshire Wildlife Trust – Education facilities Venture Seafoods – lobster meat extraction machine Sewerby Hall Food Festival Withernsea Slipway Lighting Withernsea Town Council – Fish Trail Holderness Fishing Industry Group – on site research facility on South Pier YWT & NHS Trust – Health & Wellbeing Programme – mobile facility clinic to tour costs and engage fishermen and families in health and wellbeing Fleet Safety Equipment – combined bid for Safety Equipment (HFIG have match funding available)

	<p>Yorkshire Coast Signature Seafood Dishes – Chef Rob Green developed a range of recipes to be utilised by restaurants and hotels using local seafood Total of £5million investment along the coast.</p> <p>Future of FLAG – Potential Impacts Brexit – no future funding allocated as yet Trade – without trade deal allows continuation, without interruption, could prove disastrous for the fishing industry Windfarms – DEFRA regulations which effect banning of catching female lobster with eggs will reduce the catch size.</p> <p>Opportunities Hull University Study – lessons to be learned from the study including handling catch and grading. Opportunities for tourism and capitalising on being largest lobster port in Europe.</p> <p>DD commented that the Food Festival would be a loss for the area and it would be important to find a way to deliver it.</p>
4	Partnerships Review
	<p>HMc delivered the amended partnership agreement. Discussions were held on: Name – HMc to come up with some options. Greater emphasis to be put on Coast. Area – group agreed the Partnership should cover a area wider than the town.</p> <p>Changes to agreement were approved by the Board.</p>
5	Action Planning
	<p>The Board agreed that Action Planning should be on the agenda for the next meeting.</p> <p>HM explained that Action Planning will involve shared vision for projects but Partnerships will lead on projects. All members of the Board to send project suggestions to HM by 19th November who will circulate a master list by 29th November.</p> <p>TM updated the group on the Town Council’s plans for the Community Hub, which they are delivering in partnership with ERVAS. The sale of the building on Marshall Avenue should be completed in December. The building will house the Town Council Offices and a conference room available to hire. On the 1st floor there will be offices with sliding walls .</p>
6	Project Updates
	<p>Bridlington Regeneration – Explained to the group that the Bridlington Town Centre Seafront Scheme was moving forward. Tenders from contractors have been submitted and are being currently scored.</p> <p>The project team have interviewed artists for the Public Art element of the project, a recommendation or which artist may be best for Bridlington will be made to Art Steering Group where endorsement will be sought, once this is received it will be presented to the Project Board for ratification.</p>

	<p>Advantage Coast CLLD – NW updated the group on progress and suggested that Rob Warner be invited to the next meeting.</p> <p>Yorkshire Coast BID – HM updated the group on the business plan and circulated a hard copy. HM confirmed that Redcar have withdrawn so the area was now Whitby to Spurn. Copies are available on the website. http://yorkshirecoastbid.co.uk/ The ballot opens on 1st November until 30th November for businesses to vote. Results will be published in December.</p>
7	Forum Reports
	<p>Business Forum –DD updated that the forum felt buoyant despite Brexit, although there was too much uncertainty regarding Government decisions.</p> <p>Town Improvement – MB confirmed that a list has been drawn up to record what has been achieved. MB & MC have drawn up a list of priorities for the TIF.</p>
7	AOB
	None
8	Date of Next meeting
	Thursday 6 th December at 9.30am at East Riding College