

MANSFIELD FORWARD.BID BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Meeting Minutes – Mansfield BID, Members, Business and Representatives Board-AGM 29.5.25

Objective:	Mansfield BID Business and Representatives Board meets every 6 months with the Company's AGM being held annually. These meetings are held to discuss, agree, and action issues, initiatives and focus points that affect Mansfield BID and town centre businesses and to review annually the work completed and offered to town centre businesses from Mansfield BID.		
Date:	29/05/2025	Location:	Mansfield TC Old Town Hall
Time:	4:00 PM	Meeting Type:	AGM
Called By:	Jay Rowlinson	Facilitator:	Jay Rowlinson
Timekeeper:	Jay Rowlinson	Note Taker:	Jay Rowlinson
Submitted by:	Jay Rowlinson	Approved by:	Chairman Gary Jordan (MBE)

Attendees:

Gary Jordan (GJ) Ch
 Paul Williams(PW)VCh
 Jay Rowlinson (JR)
 Vijay Chadda (VC)
 K Redshaw (KR)
 Debbie Birkett(DB)
 A Abrahams (AA)
 J Biddlestone (JB)
 Insp K Davis(KD)
 Paul Anderton (PA)
 F Amirsaeedi (FA)
 Tony Delahunty(TD)
 S Rickersey (SR)
 Sue Rogers (SRO)
 Sean Harris (SH)
 D McGreade(DM)
 Collum Sharp (CS)
 D Prestwood (DP)
 Rebekah O'Neill (RO)
 Leon Dale (LD)
 Jane Fishwick (JF)
 W Leatherland (WL)
 S MacFarlane (SM)
 S Yemm (SY) MP
 C Whitley (CW)
 T Radford (TR)
 F Choudray (FC)
 B Answer (BA)
 J Moore (JM)

Agenda Items		Presenter	Time (Allotted)
1.	Welcome & apologies	GJ	5 mins
2.	Introductions and meeting objectives	All/GJ	5 mins
3.	Overview of Mansfield BID from the company Chairman Gary Jordan and Vice Chair Paul Williams	All/GJ	5 mins
4.	CEO's review of Mansfield BID over the past 12 months and future aims and objectives	JR	15mins
5.	Police update	KD	10 mins
6.	MDC update	MA/JB	10 mins
7.	NCC update	FA	10 mins
8.	Finance update	DB	5 mins
9.	Feedback/questions/Input from BID members	All	10mins
10.	AOB	All	5 mins
11.	Meeting close	All	5 mins

Decisions and Discussion Points

1. BID Company Chairman (GJ) welcomed all attending the meeting.
2. All attendees introduced themselves as a meeting ice breaker.
3. GJ spoke about work the company has completed over the past year and how this work is currently supporting businesses in the town centre. He also highlighted the future aims and objectives of Mansfield BID.
4. GJ and PW in their capacity as company chair and vice chair praised the work of the BID team and the positive difference this work is making to the town centre.
5. JR company CEO gave a presentation to all attendees on the past 12 months of work the company has completed for businesses in the town centre and outlined the aims and objectives of the company moving forward, including the company's future business plan. He highlighted the needs of the town centre and a direct plan that working with partners could make a significantly positive difference to the town centre and in turn the businesses within it.
6. KD Inspector Notts Police gave a full brief including current statistics on policing in the town centre. Good communication, teamwork and partnering has assisted greatly in gaining overall success. Notts Police and the multiagency approach to antisocial behavior and crime reduction have led to promising decreases in crime in the Mansfield town centre and wider region.
7. AA and JB gave a full brief on the work of MDC and their support to the town centre. This included a brief on future government funding and spending timelines and the direct aims for MDC over the next year to commence work on major town centre projects such as the Connect Hub and the regeneration on Dame Flogon Street which

will start in September and November respectively.

9. JB from MDC highlighted the importance of the rental auction program that is being trialed in Mansfield and how it is hoped this will assist in decreasing the number of vacant properties in Mansfield town centre through targeted intervention.
10. JB invited attendees of the meeting to become ambassadors for Mansfield as part of the Mansfield rebranding program currently being delivered by MDC and the Mansfield Place Board.
11. JB highlighted the next set of funding from UKSPF and how it will assist in a number of positive programs and initiatives in Mansfield totaling £1.6M.
12. JB and AA highlighted the excellent partnership working with Mansfield BID and looked forward to the further successes this partnership and collaboration working will bring.
13. JR thanked MA and JB from MDC for their ongoing support to the BID and who assisted greatly in moving the BID to the Old Town Hall.
14. AA highlighted looking positively forward for Mansfield, making a case for its future success, his aims to increase the Robin Hood Line and the current work ongoing to support Mansfield's positive future.
15. DB from Barnett and Turner (company accountants) went through the company accounts and all attendees were happy and content with all the findings. A copy of the year's budget and management accounts were made available in hard copy for the meeting and can also be located on the company website. Any further questions were directed by the chair to JR who will happily provide all information requested either at the end of the meeting or on contact with members and meeting attendees.
16. Fardad Amirsaedi gave a brief to members on work of NCC and important funding opportunities available to businesses in the current financial year; mostly from the UKSP. Support is available from both MDC and NCC business support services. The BID will be highlighting how to request funding in the near future. He also gave a brief overview of local government reorganization which is currently taking place including the introduction of EMCA to the region.
17. SY Mansfield MP raised a question to FA on local governmental changes and how these will affect Mansfield.
18. JF from VWNC briefed the meeting on a government grant provided to VWNC for up to £5M for adult learning in the area. Further information will be provided shortly with key partners working with VWNC to ensure this large amount of funding has a large impact in the local area.
19. FC raised a question on why the Armed Forces Day wasn't offered this year. AA answered the question by highlighting that there wasn't the funding available which there was from previous years, and the concerns now raised when holding events due to the newly introduced Martyn's law.
20. LD gave an overview of the work of the Mansfield Place Board. GJ chair highlighted the need for more public awareness of the place board and what it provides to Mansfield.
21. GJ chair highlighted that the meeting was ending but any further questions from attendees and members would be answered from the BID team either directly after the meeting or on request.
22. The meeting was closed by the chairman GJ at 17.30.

Further Actions	Responsible	Due Date
1. Company CEO Jay Rowlinson to make the meeting power point available to all meeting attendees.	JR	Immediately

Other Notes & Information

A useful meeting which allowed positive discussion and action with future plans to benefit Mansfield member businesses.

This Year's AGM highlighted the significant amount of work and positive business influence Mansfield BID has placed into Mansfield Town centre. Positive footfall increases, new businesses coming into town and the lowering of overall crime across the town centre and district all point to a better and more promising future for Mansfield. It also highlighted the need for positive and actioning partnerships which will demonstrate to Mansfield's people and BID members that important and positive changes are actually happening in the town centre that will make it a better place for all.

Thank you to all who continue to support and give interest to the town's BID and who attended the meeting.

Have a great summer from all the BID's Directors and BID team.