



Friends of Stretford Public Hall Board of Directors

Update on Key Decisions | April 2018

Board members

The following directors have stepped down from the Board due to other commitments and were thanked for their support and contribution:

Anton Schulz, Rob Osborne and Heather Garlick

We are currently inviting new members to join the board in particular we are looking for anyone with skills and experience around legal, HR, catering and licensing

Funding and finances

The Board signed off on job descriptions and contracts for three staff roles and we will be actively recruiting in the next few weeks. This was a major step forward for the board allowing us to maximise the events and activities at the hall, improve our fund-raising activities. It will also allow the Board to concentrate on improving our strategy and governance.

Financial reporting continues to show a healthy situation in line with our projections.

We reviewed our approach to grants and fundraising to ensure we are applying to the appropriate funders at the right time for the things that are important to us.

Ballroom transformation

We continue to make great strides towards improving the ballroom including tendering for demolition / strip out over the summer period in preparation for decoration and installation (toilets, heating, lighting etc). The Board appreciated that there have been delays and we will be able to share full plans and progress at our Open Day on 5 May.

Volunteers

Board members look forward to organising and attending a volunteers social evening on 16 June as a thank you for their continued excellent work at the hall.

Events and activities

The Board received reports on our events for the last period as well as noting excellent forthcoming activities.

- Our Kids Social Confirmed booking for 20th May
- Earth Day Festival – 22nd April from 10am-4.30pm.

- Community Business Weekend- Open Day 5th May- Classical for kids concert 11am, Live Jazz tea 2.30pm. Community Mapping, Our Story, and Ballroom design workshop to be held throughout.
- Our Kids social Royal Knees up- 20th May
- Local Acts night- Thursday 28th June.

On a less positive note, the Board noted ongoing issues with security of the Hall with instances of the doors not being closed and locked.