

# CONTRIBUTION NOTICE

OCT 2020 – SEPT 2021



What a year it's been! We've had lockdowns, re-openings, another lockdown, another re-opening, a year of sporting triumphs, great losses and great excitement. Uxbridge town centre has as it always has done, been resilient and stuck together with its inaudible community spirit. And for this, we thank you. Our town centre has rallied more in this past year than ever before and we are privileged to have been a part of it. It's incredible to think that this is our last contribution notice before we go to ballot in June 2022! For the BID team it's been an exciting and busy year and we can't wait to share it with you...

## LOVE SUMMER FESTIVAL

Our Love Summer Festival has been a HUGE success! Running from July 24th to August 28th, Uxbridge was brought back to life with six weeks of festival fun!

Our festival kicked off on Saturday 24th July with a Car and Motorbike show (including the Ghostbusters car and all four Ghostbusters) a fifty-piece Samba band, walking flowers, windup ballerinas, a bubbleologist and a performance from Award winning Swing Band, Swing Bang Boom! Following on from our first Saturday, we kept the fun going with an animatronic tortoise, giant dragon, a multitude of stilt performers including butterflies, giraffes, zebras, fairies and peacocks plus an animatronic T-Rex and baby raptor puppet! With live music every Saturday the high street has been rocking! Uxbridgians have been dancing in the streets and singing along and it has been a wonderful sight to behold after so many months of lockdown.

We've had a three-day market running for six weeks from Tinseltown markets with a wide



selection of food stalls, local businesses, retail pop ups and the Berkshire Birds of Prey team who have delighted their Uxbridge audience with beautiful rescue birds. We have had the most incredible feedback from businesses and members of our Uxbridge community alike. Without a doubt the Summer Market has increased footfall and brought life back to our town centre and community. Thank you SO much to everyone who came and supported it! "This has made our Summer – thank you", "The dinosaur was amazing", "I've come into Uxbridge every week for the market and kids performers", "Can't believe this is all for free – thank you".

And let's not forget, our live workout in the town centre (the first of its kind) in partnership with our friends at Simply Gym, with a live DJ and plenty of enthusiasm from the Simply Gym team, Uxbridge saw over 30 people and our town centre police team run, jump, squat and sweat. What a day we had!

## GREENER, CLEANER, SAFER...

Since May 2021 we have been on a mission to make Uxbridge bloom! We have put up .... Hanging baskets, 36 flower boxes on the train station roof, 10 planters outside market house, a giant flower arch in the town centre and our VERY popular Instagrammable floral phone boxes! We've had over 3000 photos and selfies taken at our Floral Phone boxes and they are still as popular as they were when they were installed!



Keeping our town centre clean with a deep clean! We have deep cleaned the high street these past three months starting at St Andrews roundabout, including Vine Street and all of the pedestrianised areas of the high Street to Belmont Road, Windsor Street, Bakers Road, Cocks Yards and Beasley's Yard. Pavements have been jet washed, graffiti removed and grime eradicated. All of this in addition to our twice weekly COVID safety clean which covers all touch points of the high street.



## UXBRIDGE BID YEAR FIVE

As we begin to welcome back our commercial office sector workers, we are pleased to advise that we are continuing with the discounted parking, for more information email [hello@uxbridgebid.com](mailto:hello@uxbridgebid.com)

Our BID funded police officer PC Rice and BID funded security will continue to patrol our town centre and keep our businesses, visitors and office workers safe.



**Now more than ever we need to support local, shop local and keep it local!**

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## POLICING AND SECURITY

Our BID funded Metropolitan Police Service officer PC RICE, ably assisted by PC LAKSARI have spent over 4800 hours patrolling our town centre since the end of February 2021. In this time, they have dealt with a multitude of incidents including those involving anti-social behaviour, possession of offensive weapons, possession of illicit drugs, public order incidents, domestic incidents, vandalism and missing persons.



In terms of some specifics, their work throughout the town centre has included (but is not limited to) the following:

- Ongoing work with the prolific beggars and street drinkers
- 2 knife arch operations have been arranged and taken place in partnership with the British Transport Police at Uxbridge Underground Station
- Community Protection Notices (CPNs) have been issued to 4 x individuals (essentially excluding them from Uxbridge town centre)
- Community Protection Warning Notices (CPWs) have been issued to 7 x individuals
- 10 wanted/missing offenders being detained and arrested
- 4 convictions for breach of a criminal behaviour order (CBO) secured
- 5 individuals sent to court with 15 x convictions for failure to comply with a community protection notice (CPN) secured
- 1 conviction for both Possession of Class A Heroin and also Possession of Class A Cocaine secured
- 1 conviction for Possession of Class B Drugs secured

- 1 conviction for Shoplifting secured
- A number of PNDs (fines) issued for Possession of Class B Drugs and Shoplifting
- A number of Community Resolutions (written warnings) issued for Possession of Class B Drugs, Shoplifting and Possession of a pointed/bladed article
- 1 court case pending for Handling Stolen Goods
- 5 court cases pending for 4 x individuals for a further 10 x charges for failure to comply with a community protection notice (CPN)
- 1 application to the courts for a criminal behaviour order (CBO) with 8 x prohibitions for a particular individual accepted and issued - valid for 5 years
- 97 stop searches conducted either under section 23 Misuse of Drugs Act 1971/section 1 Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984, with multiple occasions wherein illicit Drugs and stolen goods were recovered

Our Police Officers have been an irreplaceable addition to both the Uxbridge BID team and Uxbridge town centre, we are very grateful for their hard work and dedication to our community. We are also most appreciative of the invaluable presence, support and assistance provided to Uxbridge town centre by PCSO OPOKU who throughout the last 4 years has continued to provide an invaluable link between the police, local businesses and local community through his consistent presence, approachable nature and ongoing engagement.

- Uxbridge BID Security Ambassadors continue to patrol our town centre and have recovered over £12,000.00 in stolen goods since December 2020 and have dealt with over 6,750 incidents and call outs.

## Not so long ago we were living our lives in tiers, Welcome back info – tiers and NHS

Throughout lockdown the BID team continued to support businesses with site visits, phone calls, emails, social media posts promoting their businesses, leaflet drops to local postcodes showcasing open essential retail and our Christmas guide promoting local businesses, eateries and salons which went out to over 60,000 households!

Our Christmas lights on the train station roof brought a smile to the faces of all passers-by and the BID team loved installing them – we CAN'T wait for this year's festivities!



## Tea Dance in partnership with Hillingdon Council and the Fasnidge Trust...

The over 65's have been heavily affected by the COVID-19 pandemic and lockdown. They have had to shield and isolate more than most and this has meant they have missed out on seeing friends, family and having fun.

Which is why we joined forces with Hillingdon Council and the Fasnidge Trust to host a Summer Tea Dance on August 4th complete with afternoon tea, a live jazz band, a dance floor and special guests including the mayor! An amazing afternoon was had by all and we cannot wait to do it again!



## UPCOMING EVENTS...

Halloween will be three-day spectacular with pumpkin carving, owls, food trucks, samba bands, day of the dead dancers, fire performers, Candy Skulls on stilts and more!

This Christmas will be our BIGGEST yet! Think fireworks, giant snow globes, snow lions, drummers and dare we say it... singing reindeer!

Thank you for your ongoing support of Uxbridge BID (Love Uxbridge) please feel free to contact our team below, follow us on Instagram, Facebook, Twitter on @LoveUxbridge or visit our website [www.loveuxbridge.co.uk](http://www.loveuxbridge.co.uk)

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## INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

| Income                                | 2020/21<br>(Actual) | 2021/22<br>(Forecast) |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Levy                                  | £440,288            | £507,208              |
| Other                                 | £245,573            | £24,300               |
|                                       | £685,861            | £531,508              |
| <b>Expenditure</b>                    |                     |                       |
| Operational                           | £92,093             | £97,913               |
| Leisure & Entertainment               | £76,542             | £107,500              |
| Retail                                | £413,623            | £430,216              |
| Office                                | £28,492             | £59,624               |
| Misc.                                 | £10,000             | £10,000               |
| <b>Total Expenditure</b>              | <b>£620,749</b>     | <b>£705,254</b>       |
| <b>Excess Expenditure over Income</b> | <b>£65,112 -</b>    | <b>£173,746</b>       |
| Reserves Brought Forward              | £159,000            | £224,112              |
| Reserves Carried Forward              | £224,112            | £50,367               |

\*The accounts for 2020/21 are provisional and subject to audit. The figures for 2021/22 are based on provisional budgets and may be subject to change. Expenditure is in excess of income for 2020/21 and is forecast to be so for 2021/22, reflecting the availability of the underspend from previous years.