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Wild Bill (Rob Lowe) with Candida and her daughter Carla at Los Burritos in Boston's Church Street

WIN Rob Lowe's Wild Bill Special Mexican meal

ITV screens the first episode of the crime drama Wild Bill, filmed in and around Boston, tomorrow (Wednesday) night at 9pm. And you could be the lucky winner of a special Wild Bill Mexican meal here in Boston.

Watch out in tomorrow's Boston Standard for the competition arranged in conjunction with Los Burritos in Church Street and Boston Borough Council.

Boston's only Mexican restaurant has a new addition to its menu – the Wild Bill Special – named in honour of TV's Wild Bill actor Rob Lowe.

He dined at Los Burritos in Church Street after a long day of filming and then said how much he had enjoyed his spicy taste of Mexico.

One lucky reader can replicate his Boston meal by winning a Wild Bill Special meal, with cocktails, for two in the easy-to-enter competition.

After his visit to Los Burritos Rob said: "I went to a Mexican restaurant in Boston which was rated very highly. I've yet to find a Mexican restaurant in London, so I had to go all the way to Lincolnshire to get proper Mexican food. I'm a southern Californian and I know my Mexican food. It wasn't the Mexican food I know, but it was really good."

Candida Borges, who has lived in Boston for 20 years, runs the restaurant with her daughter Carla Santos. Candida said: "At first we did not recognise him. But then my daughter said 'I know that guy from somewhere. Ah, I've seen him in an American TV series'. Then we knew it was Rob Lowe. He was very nice and had a

photograph with us."

On Carla's recommendation Rob dined on Mexican fish stew, spicy rice and tortillas with dips.

The Mexican food and the wide open skies of Lincolnshire made Rob feel very much at home. He said of the Boston area where filming took place: "It also looks amazing. The show is almost a western allegory. I'm literally a new sheriff in town, and that flat landscape in Lincolnshire really gives it a look that you haven't seen before."

"It was very reminiscent of places in the mid-West where I'm from. I'm from Ohio and we have our landscapes that are like that – where you can literally see the horizon for miles and miles. I was surprised to find that in England, because when I think of England, I think of the gently rolling countryside. Lincolnshire is as flat as a pancake."

"I'm always trying to find something about a project that is original. So between the location and tone, Wild Bill is very unique."

Los Burritos has proved so popular that, from June 19, it will move to the former Axe and Cleaver pub, where there will be more room for more diners.



Wild Bill's lip-smacking Mexican meal

Queen honours Richard's service to the community

Boston Borough Councillor Richard Austin has had his long service to the community recognised with the award of the British Empire Medal in The Queen's Birthday Honours. The British Empire medal is awarded for "hands-on" service to the local community. This could be a long-term charitable or voluntary activity, or one that has made a significant difference to people's lives in some way. Quite simply Richard Austin makes things happen. For the past 20 years Richard has selflessly dedicated his life to the promotion and improvement of the community of Wyberton and Boston. [Read more at https://bit.ly/31oXwQL](https://bit.ly/31oXwQL)



The good ship Woodville setting sail

Arrrrh! That was the piratey sound of approval from Boston Borough Council's Cabinet to a proposal for a pirate ship for Woodville Road play area. Boston Town Area Committee play area working group proposed £40,000 improvements to Shelton's Field, St John's Park and Woodville Road play area. Spending by BTAC in excess of £10,000 has to receive Cabinet approval. [Read more at https://bit.ly/2XD3lIV](https://bit.ly/2XD3lIV)



Council meets and beat targets

[Read more at https://bit.ly/2KtsOzX](https://bit.ly/2KtsOzX)



Roads to be resurfaced around Boston bus station

[Read more at https://bit.ly/2K7jnXD](https://bit.ly/2K7jnXD)



Ban on persistent town centre pest

A persistent pest in Boston town centre has been made subject of a second two-year Criminal Behaviour Order. Shaun Overton (42), of no fixed address, can now be arrested if he breaches the order, obtained by Boston Borough Council. [Read more at https://bit.ly/2R40JAu](https://bit.ly/2R40JAu)



1940s WEEKEND IN BOSTON

Friday 21st June
Gates open from 5pm, film 6.15pm

Saturday 22nd June
Gates open from 3pm, film 4pm

Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs

Boston's Outdoor Cinema
Tickets available from www.visitbostonuk.com

Dambusters

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IN CENTRAL PARK, BOSTON

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Big cash boost for Boston businesses



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Cash from business rates in Boston borough is to be used to help businesses in the area.

Boston Borough Council's Cabinet agreed to make £100,000 of £388,000 retained locally from business rates available as an incentive for firms to grow and invest.

A further £100,000 is to be used to fund a business grants scheme to nurture and enable business.

Up to £25,000 will go into High Street technology, to encourage consumers to use the High Street in different ways to increase visits.

A project to provide electric vehicle charging points will receive £18,500 and £800 will support Lincolnshire County Council's skills initiative to create enterprise advisers to link schools with business.

Lincolnshire was chosen as a pilot area by the Government's Department of Communities and Local Government for a "business rates localisation initiative" in 2018/19.

The money is to be used for projects to promote and deliver improved economic activity, including one-off and longer-term projects.

- The relocation discount will support local businesses wishing to grow and invest in the borough. Cash will be available to a "growth business" able to satisfy a new growth board that a grant will enable match funding by the business to create or safeguard jobs.
- The business grants scheme will support entrepreneurs and growing businesses, increasing the number of new businesses starting up and nurturing young businesses to grow. A new business panel comprised of business-oriented organisations and business leaders will consider funding applications.
- The nurture fund will make grants

up to £5,000 available, match funded by applicants to the tune of 25 per cent, to support and help develop young businesses which have less than three years' trading. These businesses will have to demonstrate a credible business plan and be at a stage where they are ready to take forward developments increasing productivity and the growth of the business.

- The enable fund will provide grants up to £1,000 to start a new business. Grants have to be 20 per cent match funded by the applicants.
- The electric vehicle charging points project will help improve air quality in busiest traffic areas of Boston and incentivise increased use of electric vehicles.

It is proposed that there should be charging points at Staniland car park (four vehicles charging at the same time), Bargate Green car park (also four vehicles), Cattle Market car park (four vehicles), West End car park (two vehicles), Geoff Moulder Leisure Complex (two vehicles) and Municipal Buildings car park (seven vehicles).

The entire Boston scheme will cost £78,943. Around a quarter of that cost will come from the Business Rates Retention Pilot Project and additional money will be sought from the Office for Low Emission Vehicles' £4.5 million fund.

Cllr Michael Cooper, Leader of Boston Borough Council, said: "We have been working on various projects to encourage more business to the area."

Cllr Aaron Spencer said: "We will make this money work for us and support businesses across the board."

Cllr Martin Griggs added how important the grants could be for small businesses just setting up and looking to expand and Cllr Cooper said there was also opportunity to attract bigger companies.

Bid for Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Points to the Office of Low Emission Vehicle (OLEV)

The Government has made a commitment to support the development of Ultra Low Emission Vehicles (ULEVs) and referred to it in the Queen's Speech in June 2017 as part of the Automated and Electric Vehicles Bill. In a further announcement in July 2017 aligned to the Bill, the Government announced plans to ban new diesel and petrol vehicles from sale in the UK from 2040 to greatly improve the air quality and carbon emissions nationally.

Within the Borough, areas of the town of Boston, mainly John Adams Way, are considered to have poor air quality. The primary cause of poor air quality within Boston is due to high levels of vehicle emissions within or close to the town centre.

Read more at <https://bit.ly/2ZoCLmt>

Entrepreneurial Support Programmes

This proposes a new programme of business enterprise funding to support entrepreneurs and growth businesses within the borough of Boston as part of the Council's vision for prosperity, growth and opportunity.

Currently, there are more than 2200 VAT/PAYE registered enterprises in the Borough of Boston with 85% of those in the micro definition of Small Medium sized Enterprises (SME).

The Council Plan 2016/17 – 2019/20 supports the need for a strong economy, enabling it to grow and generate better job opportunities. This programme of support, funded through the Business Rate Retention Pilot will help respond and rise to these challenges by increasing the number of start-ups, nurturing young businesses to grow and encourage greater investment and innovation.

Read more at <https://bit.ly/2KMBXnr>

High Street Technology

As part of the background work for the Future High Street Fund submission, it was clear that High Street technology is an area that requires investigation and options to be considered to encourage consumers to use the High Street in different ways to increase visits.

Work has been undertaken on an application that would promote responsibility for retailers to take action by signing up to new technology and provide a solution to the need for technology within town centres to start to meet the consumer's expectation for digital interaction.

Read more at <https://bit.ly/2WuzTm7>

Relocation Incentive

Relocation Discount is primarily designed to support local businesses wishing to grow and invest in the Borough of Boston.

Our economy does not operate in isolation. Competition for investment across the Greater Lincolnshire Local Enterprise Partnership (GLLEP) geography, including more locally across South Holland and South Kesteven, is fierce and the wider UK regions is pressurised.

Business investments or the location or indeed relocation of any business are decisions taken after balancing a wide range of factors, including availability of land and premises, skills, access to markets, transport, infrastructure and broadband as well as operational cost.

Read more at <https://bit.ly/2Zj18mU>