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Dear Participant,

THE CULTURAL CONSORTIUM'S ROLE IN THE VISION FOR PORTSMOUTH - AN UPDATE

On behalf of the Cultural Consortium Executive Group, we would thank all who were involved in the Continue the Conversation Event on 15 April 08 at Portsmouth Football Club. The results of the event were analysed, collated, and edited by team led jointly by us. The results (see enclosures) take the form of an aspirations document, a set of short-term opportunities, an almost verbatim write up from the 15 Apr event, and a list of attendees.

The aspirations document was discussed at a joint Cultural Consortium Exec Group and Local Strategic Partnership (LSP) Main Board meeting on 24 Apr. Members of the LSP suggested amendments which we incorporated, and they also amended the one page "vision". The LSP Main Board took the aspirations document to Portsmouth City Council, who in June 08, formally adopted this, and it can be found on the web at http://www.portsmouthcc.gov.uk/media/CPT_Strategy_Vision_-_aspirations.pdf

This is a first for Portsmouth, and probably for the country, in that an entirely third sector group, namely the Cultural Consortium, has played a defining and central role in significantly shaping and leading the detail of the vision for the city. Most importantly, your input has helped create a vibrant and exciting set of aspirations for the city. We would also like to thank the 6 external facilitators, from the Innovation and Facilitation Group, who gave their time free and many of whom came a great distance to assist the event on 15 April.

The Cultural Consortium Exec Group continues to lobby for change, and we draw on your ideas to help. We have an online forum on our website for you to put forward ideas and comments www.cultural-consortium.co.uk

Yours sincerely,



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Enclosures:

1. The Vision For Portsmouth - Aspirations For The 10 Priorities - dated 30 Apr 08
2. Short term opportunities for Portsmouth - dated 30 Apr 08
3. Write up of output from attendees on 15 Apr - dated 30 Apr 08
4. List of participants on 15 Apr - dated 30 Apr 08