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TRANSFORMING THE CULTURAL LIFE OF PORTSMOUTH

Minutes of 35th Cultural Consortium Executive Meeting

Date: Tuesday 3rd July 2007 4:30pm

Location: Floor 2, The Guildhall, Guildhall Square

1. Attendance

Present: John Phillipson (JP) (Chair), Martin Chalk (MC), Brandon Prince (BP), Peter Wainwright (PW), Stephen Morgan (SM), Barbara Milligan (BM), Sean Bowman (SB), Jonathan Fost (JF) & Sharon Watling (SW).

Sarah Cheverton and Ben Wright for a presentation and discussion on Cultural Blueprint.

Apologies: None

2. Cultural Blueprint – Sarah Cheverton & Ben Wright

When the Community Strategy is completed Culture should be a part of it.

Sarah and Ben have been working on this project for about 2 weeks and the Cultural Consortium are the first group that they have presented to, as they were formed from a recommendation made in the Cultural Strategy. Sarah and Ben are doing an assessment of the Cultural Strategy which is part of a larger development of Cultural Services for 2008 to 2013. The Cultural Blueprint will take a narrower focus and be a more practical document.

Cultural Services and Culture make up the life of the City and should go hand in hand.

This review of Cultural Services is part of a broader review which will include the feasibility study of the Unicorn building, Audience Development, which will be run by Jane Mee and Art Media Hampshire, Creative Thinker, which will be run by Claire Looney, this will involve people from outside the City.

Sarah asked if the Cultural Consortium Executive could make some suggestions as to who to consult with, Portsmouth Council of Community Services. Sarah and Ben are meeting with Stephen Morgan separately to discuss how the Community Involvement, Empowerment and Development department can help distribute the consultation document.

Sarah and Ben's remit is to review the Cultural Strategy, many of the City's residents may not be aware of the document so this may be interesting.

They aim to speak to CIBAS as well as the Cultural Consortium to get a feeling of both the good and bad points of the Cultural Strategy, where it works and more importantly where it doesn't quite work as we cannot keep making the same mistakes.

BM – We need to devise a set of aims first as the general public cannot create the aim but they can contribute.

Cultural Consortium Executive needs to read through and answer the questions given to us by Sarah and send them back by e-mail or post. Individual responses will be good and

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a group of people on the Executive will get together and submit a Consortium response. Disregard questions that may not be relevant and also comment on anything that's not asked but should be included.

The Cultural Blueprint will be complete by the end of 2007.

3. Minutes of the last meeting

One error, page 2 item 5 should read inform not form.

4. Matters Arising

Actions Update

- Action 34.1 – Complete
- Action 34.2 – Outstanding
- Action 34.3 – No longer valid
- Action 34.4 – Complete
- Action 34.5 – Complete
- Action 34.6 – No longer valid
- Action 34.7 – Complete
- Action 34.8 – Complete
- Action 33.1 – Outstanding
- Action 33.2 – Outstanding PW now taken over this task
- Action 32.1 – Outstanding
- Action 31.2 – Outstanding
- Action 27.7 – Outstanding except MC, PW and SM

5. Issues.

Election of Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer

Position of chair has two candidates, John Phillipson and Stephen Morgan, a secret ballot was taken and with 6 votes to 2, Stephen Morgan was elected as Chair for the coming year. John Phillipson to continue as chair for the rest of the meeting.

SM offered his thanks to John for all his support to the group. JP appreciates the support given to him by the Executive members during his time as Chair.

The position of Secretary had only one nomination, Jonathan Fost who was duly elected as secretary for the coming year.

Cultural Vision Document

JF has created a DL size bi-fold document, this still requires proof reading. If we want to print the document how many do we need and who should these documents be aimed at? If we do require printing then we need to obtain some funding.

Action 35.1 – JF & SM to proof read the Cultural Vision document.

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The term membership requires clarification, what will the members get if they join the Cultural Consortium?

AGM

Minutes agreed one spelling mistake on page 1, section 1, and paragraph 4 Council's should read Councils.

Culture Matters – Feedback

Thanks to Peter, Brandon and Jonathan for all their work. A small group of those that attended need to get together to write up the minutes of the Seafront Strategy meeting before 13th July, meeting organised for Monday 9th July 2007 at 5pm in the consortium office. PW, SM & BP to attend.

Cultural Blueprint organise a meeting for July to inform our members of the survey and the process. Tuesday 24th July Conference Room A, Civic Offices at 6pm to finish by 8pm.

Action 35.2 – SW to book the Conference Room and advise security of an out of hours meeting.

Culture Matters – Details for the next Event in September

This will be on the Northern Quarter and could take place in St Agatha's Church or in the Haven. SW to discuss with Barry Walker.

Action 35.3 – SW to talk to Barry and organise a venue, date and speakers.

Communications Template

Not discussed.

Cultural Blueprint

Discussed in item 2

6. Any Other Business

BP – Albert Road consultation seems to be ongoing.

SM – The Executive group will need to share the roles across the group, can everyone submit to JF meetings that they attend on behalf of the Executive and SM can then discuss with everyone who can attend which meeting.

SM – on the September agenda there should be an update from Sarah Cheverton on the Cultural Blueprint.

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PW – Follow up from the Theatres Culture Matters session needs to be sent out to the attendees.

PW – Strap line is required for the Culture Matters documents.

PW – An invitation has been received to attend the City Growth meeting on 4th July at 10am in Gunwharf Quays management offices.

PW – at the Northern Quarter session in September we could invite the Portsmouth Society to speak too.

Date of the next meetings

A suggestion was made to change all meetings to the first Monday of each month, except August when there isn't a meeting, at 5pm. This was agreed.

Monday 3rd September 2007 – 5pm
Monday 1st October 2007 – 5pm
Monday 5th November 2007 – 5pm
Monday 3rd December 2007 – 5pm

All Actions to be completed by date of next meeting.

NEW ACTIONS

Action 35.1 – JF & SM to proof read the Cultural Vision document.

Action 35.2 – SW to book the Conference Room and advise security of an out of hours meeting.

Action 35.3 – SW to talk to Barry and organise a venue, date and speakers.

PREVIOUS ACTIONS

Action 34.2 – JP to contact JF re the final document, send it out for comments.

Action 33.1 – JF to construct an Executive Diary of meetings.

Action 33.2 – PW to contact the football club.

Action 31.2 – JF to e-mail the Cultural Vision document to all for comments.

Action 30.1 – SM and JF to proof read and update the document for the next meeting discussion.

Action 27.7 – All Executive members to supply a list of groups and committees that they are involved with.