

Minutes of Cultural Consortium Executive Meeting

Monday 10th November 2008 5pm
King Street Tavern, King Street, Southsea

Welcome, introduction and apologies

Present: Stephen Morgan (SM) (Chair), Steve Pitt (SP), John Phillipson (JP), Martin Chalk (MC) Mary Vallely (MV), Jess Pemberton – James (JPJ), Steve Bomford (SB)

May have missed someone, need to check with SM.

Apologies: **Need to check with SM**

These apologies were accepted.

Presentation by Steve Bomford

Minutes from the last meeting and matters arising

There were no minutes from the last meeting. May need to put in place a system where someone is able to substitute in Sharon's absence?

Matters Arising

Feedback from the Stakeholders Feedback Session on the proposal for a Centre of Culture: Session took place on Monday 27th October and several Executive members attended. It was generally felt that the existing proposal was disappointing with little originality. Concerns were raised about the lack of timeline, the cost of the project, could have a negative impact on existing community services and also that the Centre doesn't appear to be aimed at a particular audience. It was also raised that the rehoming of a library and museum is a different proposition to the creation of a Cultural Centre.

Action Point: Consortia will respond to the Appraisal with a letter to be drafted by SM (Chair)

Portsmouth Planning Event – Members felt that this was a useful exercise and notes from the event have been passed to Kathy Wadsworth. Cheryl Buggy attended the event and would like to attend a Cultural Consortia Executive

meeting to discuss the possible allocation of funding to research the community vision of our cultural future. There are photo's available on Facebook.

Action Point: Draft notes to be published in the next newsletter (SW)

Treasurers Report: SP has yet to receive a statement so does not know if the money from PCC has gone into the account.

Action Point: SP to check with SW about the bank statements, if SW is unaware he will follow up with bank.

Library Staff: MC concerned about recent restructuring of pay scales of library staff. SM has looked into the matter and has reported that the matter is on hold as the Trade Unions have now become involved. He will report back when further information is known.

Reports back from representatives to partnership boards and other groups:

Economic Wellbeing Partnership Board – JP attended on the 22.10.08, 225 work tasters are being offered to 18–25 year olds locally and the Compulsory Purchase Order for the Northern Quarter is now in place although it is thought that the modernisation of Commercial Rd will precede John Lewis being developed. All work should be completed by 2014.

Community Involvement Partnership Board

Portsmouth Festivities – JPJ reported that the programme appears to be in place. A proposal from Walk the Plank has been put forward for the final day of the festivities that will involve other members of the community. JPJ concerned as to whether this will happen.

City Growth

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Meeting closed at:

Agenda setting and dates of future meetings

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