

Minutes of Cultural Consortium Executive Meeting

Thursday 11th December 2008 7.30pm

The Cellars at Eastney, Cromwell Road, Eastney

Welcome, introduction and apologies

Present: Stephen Morgan (SM) (Chair), Steve Pitt (SP), John Phillipson (JP), Mary Vallely (MV), Zene Bray (ZB), Mary Tunnell (MT) & Sharon Watling (SW).

Apologies: Martin Chalk, Jess Pemberton – James, Steve Bomford, Anna Potten, Bryony Whitmarsh, Peter Moutray & Peter Wainwright.

These apologies were accepted.

Minutes from the last meeting and matters arising

Thanks to JPJ for the minutes from the last meeting.

CIBAS note to be forwarded to CC Executive. Action SW to forward.

Bank Account – Funding from PCC still not received SP has spoken to Steve Baily who will follow this up as a matter of urgency and report back to executive at next meeting.

Newsletter – this needs to go out as priority, please forward any text to JF as soon as possible so that something can go out in the New Year.

Vision Document and letter – these need to be added to the website as a matter of urgency. JF to action.

Economic Wellbeing Partnership Board – JP attended this meeting at the time, date and location on the agenda but the meeting had been changed without JP knowing. SW to contact Paddy May to offer JP's apologies and confirm the contact and deputy for CC.

Portsmouth Festivities – No meeting has taken place so no update.

Chair's Correspondence

Letter has been received from LSP, thanking the CC for our efforts on the Vision Document and inviting the CC Executive to take on the role of liaising with partners for the Culture group in the new LSP structure. JP had previously made the point that the chair of the Culture Group should also be on the main LSP board, not a member of the board being the chair of the Culture group. SM said there were strengths in both approaches and we should look for cultural representation at LSP level and across all lead partnerships of the LSP to ensure the cultural objective in the Vision for Portsmouth is delivered.

SM stated that it was his understanding that there isn't a Sports Alliance or partnership in the city at the moment so work will need to go on to establish this.

This will be a good opportunity for us. We could do something different maybe hold a conference every 6 months for anyone interested in Culture to attend. Mark Lewis, Sabrina for the Hilsea Lido group and Jon Adams could be interested in being part of this wider group but representation will need to be open and transparent. The CC Exec could come up with some ideas, hold a culture matters session and invite the LSP members to attend. See what happens and see what the LSP think of the options that comes out of the session. Action SM to contact Matt Gummerson setting out the process to follow. SW to send a note to all CC Exec members for options for the partnership these are to be brought to the January meeting ready to take forward.

Aspex 2nd Birthday – A nice evening was had by all, Jo will be taking some time off soon.

Fratton Neighbourhood Forum – JP spoke at the last meeting, a letter of thanks has been received from the chair of the forum. Steve Baily also spoke at the meeting, he was very good.

Hot Topics

SP – Steve Baily has asked SP to look at the Guildhall report for him in a personal capacity. JP had attended a day's 'think tank' a few years ago but the notes from this have gone missing. SP to report back at a later date.

ZB – will invite Jon Adams to the January meeting for the LSP discussion.

SM - PCC budget process in full swing. Action SM to produce a letter to all Councillors requesting that consideration and consultation with the CC on any proposals as promised by Cllr Eleanor Scott after the last budget round.

SW – Arrange a meeting with Cllr Terry Hall re the Julia Holberry report. Action SW to speak to Cllr Hall to arrange the date, ZB and SP to be part of the meeting.

Treasurers Report

No money received from PCC yet. SP to chase and report back at next meeting.

Review of the Year and early priorities for 2009

Review as above.

Session with Cllr Hall

Culture Group for LSP – Culture Matters Forum.

Meeting closed at: 9:15pm

Agenda setting and dates of future meetings

Thursday 8th January 2009 19:30 at King Street Tavern, King Street, Southsea.

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AOB - None