**Outside Bodies**

**Purpose of report**

For information.

**Summary**

This report has three parts:

A - CTS Outside Bodies 2016/17

B - Report back on member meetings since 23 February 2017

C - Forthcoming meetings

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| **Recommendation**  That the Culture, Tourism and Sport Board note the report.  **Action**  Subject to comments from members, officers to take forward any actions. |

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**Outside Bodies**

**A - CTS Outside Bodies 2016/17**

| **Organisation** | **Background** | **Representative**  **For 2016/2017** | **Dates of Future Meetings** |
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| **British Board of Film Classification Consultative Council** | The British Board of Film Classification classifies films on behalf of Local Authorities and videos / DVDs under the terms of the Video Recordings Act. Its "Consultative Council" is a requirement of the Board's designation under the Video Recordings Act. | Cllr Faye Abbott | Wednesday 14 June, 2017  Monday 9 October, 2017 |
| **Tourism Alliance** | The TA seeks to establish and maintain a favourable operating environment for all businesses involved in the delivery of tourism, particularly in England. The LGA has a non-voting place on the Board. | Cllr Colin Organ | 14:00-16:00,  26 July 2017  11:00–13:00,  13 Sept 2017  11:00-13:00,  22 Nov 2017 |
| **British Destinations** | British Destinations operates as a trade association representing the wider interest of local authority sponsored tourism. Membership includes local government authorities of all types and sizes from across the UK, regional and local tourist boards and commercial organisations. | Cllr Geoff Knight | TBC |
| **London Marathon Events Limited** | The London Marathon Charitable Trust primarily provides capital funding for building or facilities projects that inspire increased participation in physical activity, sport and play. It prioritises projects that target individuals or groups that currently have low levels of activity and children and young people outside of school hours. | Cllr Sonja Crisp | 13:30-15:30,  20 July 2017  13:30-15:30,  25 October 2017  13:30-15:30,  24 January 2018 |

**Proposed Outside Bodies:**

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| **Libraries Taskforce** | Leadership for Libraries Taskforce was set up by the Department for Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) and the Local Government Association (LGA) in 2015. The Taskforce’s role is to provide leadership and help to reinvigorate the public library network in England. | Cllr Mike Bell | TBC  Appointments are postponed until after the election. |

**B – Report back on member meetings since 23 February 2017**

| **Purpose** | **Key Points Discussed** | **Outcome** |
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| **Cllr Colin Organ attended a Tourism Alliance Board Meeting, 27 March 2017** | | |
| To represent the Culture, Tourism and Sport Board at the event as the board’s appointment to the body. | The board discussed the tourism industry and a number of key issues currently impacting on this. | Representing the LGA. |
| **Cllr Ian Stephens met with Gill Furniss MP, 19 April 2017** | | |
| To make connections with the new Chair of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Libraries | The meeting discussed role of the LGA in supporting libraries to adapt to a changing environment, and support communities. The work of the Libraries Taskforce was also discussed, along with opportunities for the LGA to support the APPG in its investigations. | A further meeting will be arranged after the election and once a workplan for the APPG has been finalised. |
| **Cllr Faye Abbott spoke at a Westminster briefing Tourism event, 2 May 2017** | | |
| To outline the key opportunities to promote tourism and benefits for councils that do so. | The importance of tourism to the economy, as one of the fastest growing industries, and how councils can support it be making the best use of their regulatory and business support offers. | The presentation was well received and Cllr Abbott also took park in a questions and answers session. |
| **Cllr Ian Stephens spoke at the ‘Why Sports’ conference, 17 May 2017** | | |
| To promote innovation and share good practice in the provision of physical activity, and raise awareness of local government’s role in sporting provision. | The presentation discuss the role of councils as major investors in local, grassroots sport and physical activity, the benefits that devolution and localism can offer to this role, and case studies of how some councils are approaching their work. | Delegates reacted positively to the presentation and we have received a number of follow-up contacts from organisations seeking to share their own work and offer. |

**C – Forthcoming meetings at the time of writing**

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| **Title** | **Date** | **Attendees** |
| British Board of Film Classification Consultative Council | 14 June 2017 | Cllr Faye Abbott |
| Cllr Ian Stephens speaking at Leadership Essentials Conference | 22 June 2017 | Cllr Ian Stephens |
| Cllr Ian Stephens meeting Sir Nicholas Serota, Chairman of Arts Council England | 12 July 2017 | Cllr Ian Stephens |
| Tourism Alliance Board AGM | 26 July 2017 | Cllr Colin Organ |