**Outside Bodies**

**Purpose of report**

For discussion.

**Summary**

This report has three parts:

A - CTS Outside Bodies 2017/18

B - Report back on member meetings since 12 June 2017

C - Forthcoming meetings

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| **Recommendations**   |  | | --- | | That the members of the Culture, Tourism and Sport Board:   1. Agree the list of outside bodies. 2. Agree appointments to outside bodies. |   **Action**  Officers to take forward actions. |

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**Outside Bodies**

**A - CTS Outside Bodies 2017/18**

| **Organisation** | **Background** | **Representative for 2016/17** | **Representative**  **For 2017/2018** | **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 was appointed as the board’s representative. | **1 place** | 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 Organwas appointed as the board’s representative. | **1 place** | 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 was appointed as the board’s representative. | **1 place** | TBC |
| **London Marathon**  **Charitable Trust** | 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 was appointed to the board. | Cllr Sonja Crisp | 13:30-15:30,  25 October 2017  13:30-15:30,  24 January 2018 |
| **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 was appointed as the board’s representative. | **1 place** | 4th Oct 2017, Canning Town Library  7th Dec 2017, Storyhouse, Chester  7th Feb 2018, Local Government House |

**B – Report back on member meetings since 12 June 2017**

| **Purpose** | **Key Points Discussed** | **Outcome** |
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| **Cllr Faye Abbott attended a British Board of Film Classification Consultative Council Meeting on 14 June** | | |
| To represent the Culture, Tourism and Sport Board at the event as the board’s appointment to the body. | The board discussed the Digital Economy Act. | Local government was represented at the meeting |
| **Cllr Ian Stephens attended a Lawn Tennis Association Roundtable on 20 June** | | |
| To discuss the Lawn Tennis Association’s largest investment to date in local tennis facilities. | Over the next 10 years, the association will invest £125 million in the local game, and attract a further £125 million from private sponsors. | The fund was launched on 29 June. The LTA was challenged to ensure that the fund was accessible by all areas, including small rural councils. Officers have held a follow-up meeting to discuss communication of the fund to councils. |
| **Cllr Ian Stephens spoke at a Leadership Essentials Sport Programme on 22 June** | | |
| These events, organised in partnership with Sport England, support portfolio holders and help councils meet the challenges facing sport services. | Cllr Stephens set the event within the wider context of the challenges and opportunities facing local sport and leisure services. | Portfolio holders supported to lead transformational change of sport and leisure services. |
| **Cllr Ian Stephens chaired a session on ‘cultural capital: place-making and identity’ at the LGA Conference on 4 July** | | |
| The session explored how councils can use sporting and heritage assets to create a shared identity to help their communities adapt, move forward and become even stronger. | The session focused on how three councils are implementing these approaches to engage communities, promote cohesion, instil civic pride, and encourage democratic participation. | Recognition of the role that councils play in maintaining the sports and culture in their communities. The LGA’s commitment to helping councils across England find innovative ways to provide cultural services in a strained climate was reaffirmed. |
| **Cllr Ian Stephens met with Sir Nicholas Serota, Chair of Arts Council England, on 12 July** | | |
| Meeting between the board’s Chair and the Chair of Arts Council England. | The discussion covered councils as the largest investor in culture alongside the Arts Council, the LGA’s memorandum of understanding with ACE, our joint improvement offer and key issues facing the sector. | The LGA and Arts Council England will keep in touch on key issues and will share good practice. Funding for our joint improvement programme was agreed |
| **Cllr Sonja Crisp attended a London Marathon Charitable Trust Meeting on 20 July** | | |
| To represent the Culture, Tourism and Sport Board at the event as the board’s appointment to the body. | The meeting was an introductory discussion, with an LGA representative attending for the first time as the trust looks to expand its funding across the country. | Local government was represented at the meeting. |

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

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| **Title** | **Date** | **Attendees** |
| Meeting with John Glen MP, Minister for Arts Heritage and Tourism | 12 September 2017 | Cllr Gerald Vernon-Jackson CBE |
| Tourism Alliance Board Meeting | 13 September 2017 | TBC |
| UK Theatre Awards | 15 October 2017 | TBC |
| Gala at the French Embassy | 17 October 2017 | TBC |
| London Marathon Charitable Trust Meeting | 25 October 2017 | Cllr Sonja Crisp |
| Tourism Alliance Board Meeting | 22November 2017 | TBC |
| London Marathon Charitable Trust Meeting | 24 January 2018 | Cllr Sonja Crisp |