

Culture, Tourism and Sport Board

23 May 2012

Item 1

Note of last Meeting and Matters arising

Title: Culture, Tourism and Sport Board

Date and time: 6 March 2012, 4.00pm

Venue: Cardiff City Hall

Attendance

Position	Councillor	Council
Chair:	Flick Rea	Camden LB
Vice chair:	Simon Henig	Durham CC
Deputy chairman:	Andrew Lewer	Derbyshire CC
Deputy chair:	Geoff Knight	Lancaster City
Members:	Roger Begy	Rutland CC
	Sir William Lawrence	Stratford-on-Avon DC
	Ken Maddock	Somerset CC
	Caitlin Bisknell	High Borough DC
	Florence Nosegbe	Lambeth LB
	Chris Roberts	Greenwich LB
	Doreen Stephenson	East Lindsey DC
	David Lloyd	Hertfordshire CC
Apologies:	Brendan Jameson	South Lakeland DC
	David Phillips	City & County of Swansea
LGA Officers:	Helen Johnston, Laura Caton, Siraz Natha, Justine Wharton, Virginia Ponton	

Cllr Flick Rea welcomed all to the meeting and introduced herself as the new Chair. She asked that thanks be recorded to Chris White for his valuable contribution to the Board over several years.

1 Note of previous meeting

Under matters arising, officers said that ACE had launched a consultation on the future of libraries. The Board asked Lead Members to agree the LGA's response at their next meeting.

Decision

All actions were noted as completed.

2 142 days to go: Countdown to the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games

The Chair welcomed Cllr Stephen Castle, Chairman of the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games Task and Finish Group.

Cllr Castle updated the Board on the discussions of the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games Task and Finish Group which had met earlier that day. The key points were:

- 2.1 The purpose of the Task and Finish Group was to ensure that all LGA Boards played their full part in supporting councils to host an exciting and safe Games.
- 2.2 In particular, the Torch Relay and Paralympic Flame events highlighted the potential for the Games to engage communities across the country, and councils' critical role in resilience.
- 2.3 Transport implications were also crucial and the Economy and Transport Board had worked with the British Chambers of Commerce to raise awareness amongst businesses across the country about the impact of the Games on the supply chain, particularly freight deliveries.
- 2.4 The LGA had also published guidance on workforce issues during the Games, which can be found at http://www.local.gov.uk/web/guest/culture-tourism-and-sport/-/journal_content/56/10171/3414992/ARTICLE-TEMPLATE
- 2.5 Finally, it was noted that communicating local policing strategies to communities was important. The LGA's 2012 Games media toolkit can help with this and can be found at http://www.local.gov.uk/c/document_library/get_file?uuid=a40aec61-7464-4530-abb6-06e56cc3bcbf&groupId=10171

The Chair thanked Cllr Castle. Members were grateful for the helpful table appended to the report which set out the LGA's work on the Games.

The Chair asked for an update on the Local Leaders scheme. Cllr Castle said that there was a big opportunity for local authorities to encourage and support residents to get involved with the Games through the Local Leaders scheme, which will see hundreds of communities celebrate the Games in lots of different ways.

Asked about police resourcing for the Games, Cllr Castle said that Chief Inspector Colin Green, from the Association of Chief Police Officers and Metropolitan Police Olympic and Paralympic Policing Coordination, had attended the Task and Finish Group and detailed how mutual aid would work across boundaries and between police and councils. He stressed the need to ensure contingencies were in place locally. Cllr Castle and Cllr Simon Henig were due to meet with LOCOG in April and Cllr Castle invited members to contact them to raise any issues.

3 Conference briefing

Members noted their roles at the conference.

Decision

Members noted the report and conference packs were circulated.

4 Creating a world class, quality of life capital

Cllr Nigel Howells, Executive Member for Sport, Leisure and Culture at Cardiff Council, presented to the Board about the how the council led the cultural and sporting transformation of the city.

He highlighted the many attractions in Cardiff and said that local authority venues contributed greatly to the local economy. Large city centre projects have focussed on award winning architecture, eco-building and heritage, and have delivered tremendous benefits to visitors and residents alike. The local authority was instrumental in securing finance and providing land.

The Chair thanked Cllr Howells and Cardiff Council for hosting the meeting and Conference.

5 Outside Bodies feedback from Members

Members agreed the new format of the report, which was amended in response to feedback at the last meeting.

The Chair asked Cllr Florence Nosegbe about the LGA seminar for libraries Portfolio Holders held on 29 February in Leeds. Cllr Nosegbe said that it had been very successful, with good attendance. She said that the event enabled the sharing of much innovation and good practice. Attendees were keen that the LGA held more events outside London.

The Chair said that these successful events should be built upon over the next few months and Helen Johnston added that there was equally good feedback from the leadership seminars we ran with Sport England.

Update on current issues Members noted the report. 6

The Chair thanked all for attending and closed the meeting.

Date of the next meeting: Wednesday 23 May 2012 at 1.00pm