

## Note of last Culture, Tourism & Sport Board meeting

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**Title:** Culture, Tourism & Sport Board  
**Date:** Friday 5 October 2018  
**Venue:** Smith Square 1&2, Ground Floor, 18 Smith Square, London, SW1P 3HZ

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### Attendance

An attendance list is attached as **Appendix A** to this note

Item	Decisions and actions	Action
1	Welcome, declarations of interest and terms of reference	
2	Outside Bodies	
3	Core Cities + ACE cultural funding inquiry	
4	Arts council England + Sport England contracts	
5	Future Work Programme	
6	Communications paper	
7	Minutes of the last meeting	
8	Grass roots football - for info	
9	Any other business	

## **1. Welcome, declarations of interest and terms of reference**

The Chair welcomed the board to the new meeting cycle and thanked the members and lead members of last year's board who were not longer sitting. Apologies were received from Cllr Geraldine Carter, Cllr David Fothergill, Cllr Carl Les and Cllr David Jeffels. Members then each gave a short introduction of themselves and their interests.

### **Decision**

- The Board agreed the Terms of Reference.
- No declarations of interest were made.

## **2. Outside Bodies**

The Chair introduced the Outside Bodies report, and asked members to agree the appointments for the new political year.

### **Discussion**

Members expressed a desire to add representation to more sporting bodies - look to a link with organisations such as the RFU, ECB and rugby league organisations.

### **Decisions**

- Appointed Cllr Faye Abbott as Theatre Champion.
- Appointed Cllr Matthew Lee to the Libraries Taskforce.
- Appointed Cllr Mike Bell to the BBFC Board.
- Confirmed Cllr Terry O'Neill on the London Marathon Charitable Trust.
- Confirmed Cllr Barry Lewis on the Peak District National Parks Authority.
- Confirmed Cllr Muhammed Butt on the LGA Skills Taskforce.
- Confirmed Cllr Geraldine Carter to the Tourism Alliance
- Confirmed Cllr Tom Hollis to British Destinations

### **Action**

- **Officers to explore the possibility of member representation on other sporting bodies.**

### **3. Core Cities and Arts Council England cultural cities inquiry**

Paul Bristow from Arts Council England and Chris Murray from Core Cities introduced the findings and proposed recommendations of their jointly run Cultural Cities Inquiry.

#### **Discussion**

The Board expressed interest in seeing the final report when it is published, and gave some feedback around several of the issues raised in the report, including a local tourism tax and apprenticeships.

#### **Decision**

- The Board asked for the results of this inquiry to be disseminated to members.

#### **Action**

- **Officers to liaise with ACE and Core Cities to share the outcomes of the inquiry when completed.**

### **4. Arts Council England and Sport England contracts**

LGA Senior Advisor Ian Leete introduced the paper, which outlined an increased contract with Sport England - a two-year contract which extended Leadership Essentials to both officers and members.

This is coupled with plans to agree an increased contract with Arts Council England, investing in leadership essentials training and peer challenges, and including a number of library peer challenges, and a councillor handbook on museums services.

#### **Discussion**

Members commended Ian Leete for the success of both support programmes and thanked him for his hard work. Members shared their positive experiences of the programme. They were interested to know more about case studies used and which councils were engaging with the support.

#### **Decision**

- Board members noted and supported the activity and contracts.

## **Action**

- **Officers to share information as requested**

## **5. Future Work Programme**

The Chair introduced the three priorities for the board last year: culture-led regeneration; ensuring sector skills in post-Brexit enquiry and extending the visitor season. He noted the culture-led regeneration was largely a completed piece of work and the resources had not been available to pursue the issue of extending the visitor season. The board were asked to agree upon priorities for the year.

## **Discussion**

The importance of continuing the tourism skills research was discussed, alongside a strongly stated interest to look into the role of culture and sport in social cohesion. Social prescribing was also discussed as a potential focus. Cllr Janet Walton expressed that she believed the Board was under-resourced for its remit.

## **Action**

- **Officers to submit a report outlining the different options and resource implications for the board's priorities, to be agreed upon at the next board meeting.**

## **6. Communications paper**

Ian Leete introduced the communications paper. He outlined the public affairs priorities for the upcoming year, including monitoring DCMS questions, the report to the House of Lords on coastal regeneration and the All Parliamentary Party Group on Libraries. The Chair outlined the plans for the 2019 CTS conference, to be hosted by the City of London Corporation.

## **Discussion**

Cllr Faye Abbot noted at least some of the walking events at CTS conference needed to be accessible for all.

### **Decisions**

- The Board asked for updates on communications activity and the outcomes of previous communications work.
- The Board approved the plans for the CTS conference.

### **Action**

- **Officers to work with communications colleagues to provide updates as appropriate.**

## **7. Minutes of the last meeting**

### **Decisions**

- The minutes of the last meeting were approved
- The dates of the year's board meetings were approved

### **Action**

- **Member services to send a poll to confirm which meeting should be held outside of London and where it should be held – a choice between Sheffield and Bristol.**

## **8. Grassroots football**

Members were made aware this paper was not available due to illness in the LGA officer team. The Chair gave a verbal update on the successful joint conference with the Football Association at Wembley held in September, and asked members for their view on working with the FA on another similar conference in the North.

### **Decision**

The Board approved plans for a future joint conference.

### **Action**

- **Officers to proceed as directed.**

**Appendix A -Attendance**

Position/Role	Councillor	Authority
Chairman	Cllr Gerald Vernon- Jackson CBE	Portsmouth City Council
Vice-Chairman	Cllr Julian German	Cornwall Council
Deputy-chairman	Cllr Janet Walton Cllr Rishi Shori	Borough of Poole Bury Metropolitan Borough Council
Members	Cllr Peter Golds Cllr Barry Lewis Cllr Phil Seeva Cllr Phil Twiss Cllr Terry O'Neill Cllr Faye Abbott Cllr Muhammed Butt Cllr Richard Henry Cllr Brigid Jones Cllr Dhanisha Patel Cllr Mike Bell Cllr Matthew Lee	Tower Hamlets Council Derbyshire County Council Cornwall Council Devon County Council Warrington Council Coventry City Council Brent Council Stevenage Borough Council Birmingham City Council Bridgend County Borough Council North Somerset Council South Kesteven District Council
Apologies	Cllr Geraldine Carter Cllr David Fothergill Cllr Carl Les Cllr Dhanisha Patel*	Calderdale Metropolitan Borough Council Somerset County Council North Yorkshire County Council Bridgend County Borough Council
In Attendance	Ian Brooke	CLOA
LGA Officers	Ian Leete Rebecca Cox Alex Thomson Emma Hall Lee Bruce	

\*Cllr Patel was unable to join due to technical issues with the conference call.