

minutes

Meeting CULTURE COMMITTEE

Date 2 October 2012 (commencing at 10.30 am)

Membership

Persons absent are marked with `A`

COUNCILLORS

John Cottee (Chairman)
Liz Yates (Vice-Chairman)
Fiona Asbury
Chris Barnfather
Barrie Cooper
A Michelle Gent
John Knight
Darrell Pulk
Gail Turner
Wendy Quigley
Gordon Wheeler

Ex-officio (non-voting)

A Mrs Kay Cutts

OTHER COUNCILLORS IN ATTENDANCE

Councillor Mel Shepherd

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Derek Highton – Service Director, Youth, Families and Culture
Patrick Candler – Group Manager, Country Parks and Green Estate
Sally Gill – Group Manager Planning
Linda Hardy – Parks Development Officer
Neil Robinson – Group Manager, Investments and Treasury Management

Martin Gately – Democratic Services

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 4 SEPTEMBER 2012

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Gent who is unwell.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

ESTABLISHMENT OF A FIXED TERM HERITAGE DEVELOPMENT OFFICER POST AT BESTWOOD COUNTRY PARK WITH HERITAGE LOTTERY FUNDING

Further to the presentation of this report by the Parks Development Officer, Members found the creation of this post to be welcome news and were fully supportive of it.

RESOLVED: 2012/015

- 1) That the creation of a two year post to be hosted by the Country Parks and Green Estate Service and funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund, be approved.
- 2) That the Children, Families and Cultural Services Department will fund any redundancy payable after the two year fixed term ends, as part of its match funding contribution towards the grant, be noted.

LOCAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES HERITAGE AND CONSERVATION

Further to the presentation of this item, Councillor Yates described the initiative to restore the old school clock at Misterton and the consultation to determine if the chime should be reinstated too.

RESOLVED: 2012/016

That the success of the County Council's Local Improvement Schemes programme in physically improving the local natural and historic environment and the current programme of Heritage and Conservation projects be noted.

HERITAGE LOTTERY FUND STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK 2013-18

RESOLVED: 2012/017

- 1) To note the changes to the Heritage Lottery Fund Strategic Framework

- 2) To note the continued work to attract further investment in the County's heritage and the potential requirements for match funding.

WORK PROGRAMME

Councillor Cottee and Mr Highton explained that the tender for the new Sherwood Forest visitor centre will be considered by the Policy Committee on 17 October. Due to commercial sensitivity, some of the papers are exempt from publication. However, Culture Committee and other interested Members will receive a private briefing which will allow them the opportunity to explore any issues raised in the papers. This briefing will take place around the time that the Policy Committee papers are published.

In addition, a report from the Chairman will be a regular feature of the agenda as of the 30 October meeting.

RESOLVED: 2012/018

That the Committee's work programme be noted.

The meeting closed at 11:15 am.

CHAIRMAN