Nottinghamshire County Council

minutes

Meeting	Culture Committee
Date	8 March 2016 (commencing at 10.30am)

Membership
Persons absent are marked with an 'A'

COUNCILLORS

John Knight (Chairman)
Pauline Allan (Vice-Chairman)

Chris Barnfather
Alan Bell
John Clarke
John Cottee
Maureen Dobson
Sybil Fielding
Tom Hollis
Roger Jackson
Mike Pringle

Ex-officio (non-voting)
A Alan Rhodes

OTHER COUNTY COUNCILLORS IN ATTENDANCE

David Martin

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Pete Barker	-Democratic Services
Ian Bond	-Team Manager, Learning and Skills
Peter Gaw	-Group Manager, Libraries, Archives & Information
Sally Gill	-Group Manager, Planning
Emily Gillott	-Community Archaeologist
Derek Higton	-Service Director, CFCS
Philippa Milbourne	-CFCS
Ursilla Spence	-Archaeology Leader
Heather Stokes	-Conservation

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

That the minutes of the last meeting held on 26 January 2016 were taken as read and were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Martin declared a non-pecuniary interest in the item on 'Response to Petition: Save Our Services – Jacksdale and Selston Libraries' as he is a member of Selston Parish Council, which, with the permission of the Chairman, did not preclude him from speaking on that item.

COMMUNITY ARCHAEOLOGY- PRESENTATION

The Chairman reminded the Committee of their responsibilities regarding the quasi-judicial nature of Town and Village Green decisions.

RESOLVED 2016/014

That Committee notes and comments on the presentation.

HERITAGE TOURISM REVIEW

RESOLVED 2016/015

That the extension of the fixed term contract for the Senior Practitioner Heritage Tourism post, as set out in paragraph 8 of the report be approved, and the future work streams as set out in paragraphs 6 and 7 of the report also be approved.

SERVICE UPDATE FOR THE PERIOD 4 JANUARY TO 21 FEBRUARY 2016

RESOLVED 2016/016

That the update on a range of initiatives being undertaken to improve and enhance the quality of life for Nottinghamshire people be noted.

RESPONSE TO PETITION: SAVE OUR SERVICES – JACKSDALE AND SELSTON LIBRARIES

RESOLVED 2016/017

That the Committee confirms the Authority has no plans to close Jacksdale or Selston Libraries, as outlined in the report, and that the lead petitioner be informed accordingly.

PERFORMANCE REPORTING (1 APRIL – 31 DECEMBER 2015)

RESOLVED 2016/018

That the Committee notes the performance of the Council's cultural services during the period 1st April – 31 December 2015.

COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS AT RUFFORD COUNTRY PARK

RESOLVED 2016/019

That approval be given for the commencement of a procurement exercise to select an appropriate partner to manage Rufford Country Park's commercial operations with effect from January 2017.

ADULT AND COMMUNITY LEARNING SERVICE STRATEGIC AIMS AND OBJECTIVES AND FEES POLICY 2016/17

RESOLVED 2016/020

1) that the Skills for Employment and Adult and Community Learning Services' delivery and outcomes for 2014/15 be noted

2) that the Nottinghamshire Community Learning and Skills Service's Strategic Aims and Objectives for 2016/17 be approved

3) that the expenditure of the anticipated grant allocation from the Education Funding Agency and the Skills Funding Agency against the priorities identified be approved

4) that the Fees Policy for 2016/17 be approved.

WORK PROGRAMME

RESOLVED 2016/021

That the committee's work programme be noted.

The meeting closed at 11.55am

CHAIRMAN