Nottinghamshire County Council

minutes

Meeting	Culture Committee
Date	24th January 2017 (commencing at 10.30am)

Membership
Persons absent are marked with an 'A'

COUNCILLORS

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

Roy Allan
Chris Barnfather
Alan Bell
John Clarke
John Cottee
Tom Hollis **-A**
Roger Jackson
Mike Pringle
John Wilmott

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Pete Barker	-Democratic Services
Gareth Broome	-Countryside Services Manager
Mark Croston	-Cultural Services Commissioning Manager
Sally Gill	-Group Manager, Planning
Derek Higton	-Service Director, CFCS
Philippa Milbourne	-CFCS
Heather Stokes	-Team Manager, Conservation

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Peter Gaw	-Inspire

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

That the minutes of the last meeting held on 1 November 2016 were taken as read and were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor Hollis (other County Council business)

MEMBERSHIP

Councillor Roy Allan replaced Councillor Fielding for this meeting only.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

The Committee agreed that the order of items be changed, to allow the following item to be considered first.

CRESWELL HERITAGE TRUST PARTNERSHIP AWARD FOR 2016/17 – 2019/20

RESOLVED 2017/001

1. That the partnership funding of £38,000 to Creswell Heritage Trust to support its operating costs for the financial year 2016/17, subject to a similar level of award being made by Derbyshire County Council, be approved.

2. That the provision of continued funding for Creswell Heritage Trust of £38,000 in 2017/18, £25,000 in 2018/19 and £12,500 in 2019/20 in accordance with their agreed Business Plan and subject to achieving key performance indicators and to similar levels of awards from Derbyshire County Council, be approved.

SERVICE UPDATE FOR THE PERIOD 10 OCTOBER 2016 TO 2 JANUARY 2017

RESOLVED 2017/002

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

QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE REPORT (1 JULY TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2016)

RESOLVED 2017/003

That the update on performance progress made during the second quarter of the 2016/17 financial year, covering activities from 1st July to 30th September 2016, be noted.

FUTURE DIRECTION FOR CULTURAL SERVICES

RESOLVED 2017/004

1. That the proposed document 'The Future Direction for Cultural Services 2017-2027', attached as Appendix 1 to the report, be noted

2. That the proposed document be sent to Policy Committee for approval.

RUFFORD ABBEY COUNTRY PARK: 2016 VISITOR SATISFACTION SURVEY AND VAQS INSPECTION

RESOLVED 2017/005

That the outcome of the 2016 annual visitor satisfaction survey at Rufford Abbey Country Park and the 2016 VAQS inspection be noted.

FEES AND CHARGES 2017/18 FOR SHERWOOD FOREST COUNTRY PARK

RESOLVED 2017/006

That fees and charges at Sherwood Forest Country Park, and the car park charging period, remain unchanged for the 2017/18 financial year.

FEES AND CHARGES 2017/18 FOR LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES AND INFORMATION

RESOLVED 2017/007

That the fees and charges set out in Appendices 1 and 2 of the report be approved for 2017/18, with implementation from Saturday 1 April 2017.

A STRATEGY FOR NOTTINGHAMSHIRE'S LIBRARIES – ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT 2016

RESOLVED 2017/008

That the update on implementation of the Strategy for Nottinghamshire's Libraries between January and December 2016 be noted.

SUTTON-ON-TRENT, EDGEWOOD AND JACKSDALE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP LIBRARIES – PROGRESS ON DEVELOPMENT

RESOLVED 2017/008

1. That the development of Sutton-on-Trent Library as a Community Partnership Library be approved, subject to completion of the necessary service level agreement and documenting the approved lease arrangements.

2. That the development of Edgewood Library as a Community Partnership Library be approved, subject to completion of the necessary service level agreement and documenting the approved lease arrangements.

3. That the development of Jacksdale Library as a Community Partnership Library be approved, subject to completion of the necessary service level agreement and documenting the approved lease arrangements.

ARTS SERVICE – CERAMICS PARTNERSHIP UPDATE

RESOLVED 2017/009

1. That approval be given for the Harley Foundation Charitable Trust, as custodians of the ceramics collection on behalf of the County Council, to undertake professional management of the collection including the listing, display, loan, deposit and disposal of the collection as appropriate.

2. That any income generated through the sale of surplus items be retained by the Foundation to further develop their ceramics outreach and educational programmes.

LOWLAND DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTINGHAMSHIRE LOCAL NATURE PARTNERSHIP CONTRIBUTION

RESOLVED 2017/010

That a financial contribution of £5,000 to the Lowland Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire Local Nature Partnership for the financial year 2017/18, be approved.

URGENT DECISION TAKEN BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE - INTERIM MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS FOR SHERWOOD FOREST COUNTRY PARK COMMERCIAL SERVICES FEBRUARY 2017 – APRIL 2018

RESOLVED 2017/011

That the urgent approval by the Chief Executive on 23rd December 2016 to approve the appointment of an interim Commercial Manager (indicative Band A) for Sherwood Forest Country Park to cover the period from February 2017 to April 2018 (or until such time that the RSPB assume responsibility for the operation of the new Sherwood Forest Visitor Centre - expected in April 2018), be noted.

WORK PROGRAMME

RESOLVED 2017/012

That the committee's work programme be noted.

The meeting closed at 11.30am

CHAIRMAN