Nottinghamshire County Council

minutes

Meeting	Culture Committee
Date	21st October 2014 (commencing at 2pm)

Membership
Persons absent are marked with an 'A'

COUNCILLORS

John Knight (Chairman)
Alan Bell (Vice-Chairman)

Pauline Allan
Richard Butler
John Cottee
John Clarke
Maureen Dobson

A Sybil Fielding
Alice Grice
Tom Hollis
Tony Roberts

Ex-officio (non-voting)
A Alan Rhodes

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Pete Barker	- Democratic Services
Kirsty Blyth	- Team Manager, Library Service Development
Steve Bradley	- Group Manager, Cultural and Enrichment Services
Peter Gaw	- Group Manager, Libraries, Archives & Information
Derek Higton	- Service Director Youth, Families and Cultural Services
Neil Lewis	- Countryside Access
Philippa Milbourne	- Children Families and Cultural Services
Rob Shirley	- Communications and Marketing
Ursilla Spence	- Conservation
Heather Stokes	- Team Manager, Conservation

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MEMBERSHIP

The clerk to the Committee reported orally that Councillors Richard Butler and Tony Roberts had been appointed to the Committee in place of Councillors Roger Jackson and Chris Barnfather respectively for this meeting only.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the last meeting held on 9 September 2014, having been circulated to all Members, were taken as read and were confirmed.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor Sybil Fielding.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Tom Hollis in the Sherwood Forest Visitor Centre report as he had undertaken work experience with various legal firms who were involved in the previous tender.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

With the consent of the Committee the Chairman changed the order of business to bring forward Agenda item 9.

THE GRAVEYARD SHIFT – RECORDING THE GRAVEYARDS OF NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

RESOLVED 2014/047

1) That County Council participation in a funding bid to the Heritage Lottery Fund for “The Graveyard Shift” Project be approved.

2) That a contribution of match funding of £2,500 towards the Development Phase of the project be approved, should the application be successful.

SERVICE UPDATE FOR THE PERIOD 18 AUGUST TO 28 SEPTEMBER 2014

RESOLVED 2014/048

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

ROBIN HOOD FESTIVAL 2014

RESOLVED 2014/049

1) That approval for the Robin Hood Festival for 2015 to take place from 3rd to 9th August 2015 be given.

2) That approval be given for the road closure and local parking restrictions carried out at the 2014 event to be repeated at the 2015 event.

SHERWOOD FOREST VISITOR CENTRE AND COUNTRY PARK PROCUREMENT PROCESS

RESOLVED 2014/050

1) That the procurement of a partner for the Sherwood Forest Visitor Centre and Country Park be approved.

2) That the project expenditure required to support the procurement process as set out in paragraph 14 be approved.

Councillor Hollis asked that his vote against the proposals be recorded in the minutes.

LIBRARIES, ARTS, ARCHIVES, INFORMATION AND COMMUNITY LEARNING SERVICES; NEW OPERATING MODEL – PROGRESS REPORT

RESOLVED 2014/051

That progress on the development of the new arm's length operating model for Libraries, Arts, Archives, Information and Community Learning services be noted.

LIBRARIES FOR THE FUTURE: AN ARTS COUNCIL FUNDED PROJECT AT MANSFIELD LIBRARY

RESOLVED 2014/052

That the progress of the Libraries for the Future project at Mansfield Central Library be noted.

NEW RESPONSIBILITIES – COMMON LAND AND TOWN OR VILLAGE GREENS

RESOLVED 2014/053

1) That the contents of the report be noted.

2) That it be noted a training session on Common Land and Village Green registrations will be held at the conclusion of the meeting.

WORK PROGRAMME

The meetings scheduled for December and January will take place in Nottingham and workshops will be held at the rising of each Committee.

Future meetings will continue to be held at various locations in libraries and Country Parks.

RESOLVED 2014/054

That the Committee's work programme be noted.

The meeting closed at 3.20 pm.

Chairman