

Time commenced - 6.00 pm
Time finished - 7.05 pm

CULTURE AND PROSPERITY COMMISSION 26 JULY 2004

Present: Councillor Repton (in the Chair)
Councillors Gupta, Jackson, Marshall, Smalley, Tittley
and Travis

Also in attendance: Councillor West

01/04 Apologies for Absence

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Latham.

02/04 Late Items Introduced by the Chair

The Chair introduced a late item, which related to the announcement that day that £800,000 of funding for an Urban Cultural Programme had been secured. Ray Rippingale - Assistant Director of Cultural Services, reported that the successful joint bid had been made between Nottingham, Leicester and Derby. The funding had been secured from the Millennium Commission and the Arts Council and was intended to encourage festival activity in urban centres. It would be released between now and 2007 but Ray Rippingale said he did not know how much Derby would receive.

The Chair invited Councillor West to speak on this item.

Councillor Repton welcomed the excellent news on behalf of the Commission.

Resolved to ask Ray Rippingale to bring a full update to a future meeting of the Commission when more specific details of the funding allocation were known.

03/04 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations on interest.

04/04 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 17 May 2004 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

Items for Discussion

05/04 QUAD – Derby's Visual Arts and Media Centre

Ray Rippingale - Assistant Director of Cultural Services, reported that this item had been withdrawn from the Council Cabinet agenda on 20 July 2004 in order to allow more time to prepare the financial update and that a report would go to the Council Cabinet meeting scheduled to take place on 10 August 2004.

Resolved to note the update.

06/04 Review of Culture in Derby

Resolved to consider this item at the next meeting of the Commission.

07/04 Call-in

There were no items to consider.

08/04 Council Cabinet Forward Plan

The Commission identified the following item on the Council Cabinet Forward Plan, for consideration at a future meeting:

151/03 Review of Sport and Leisure Grant Aid Scheme Criteria.

09/04 Response of the Council Cabinet to any reports of the Commission

There were no items.

10/04 Matters Referred to the Commission by Council Cabinet

There were no items.

11/04 Work Plan 2004/05

David Romaine - Overview and Scrutiny Co-ordination Officer circulated a list of proposed topic reviews for the Commission to consider over the next year. The Commission considered and discussed the items at length and selected two topics to form its workplan for the coming year. These included a review of community centres in the city, specifically, to identify what worked well and see how the City's community centres might be improved, and a review of the way in which the Council was promoting the World Heritage sites in Derby.

Resolved to ask the Overview and Scrutiny Co-ordination Officer to carry out the following scoping reports.

- 1 An investigation of community centres in Derby with the intention of seeing what improvements may be made.**
- 2 A review of the way in which the Council was promoting the World Heritage sites in Derby and the way in which they may contribute to tourism and the city's economic prosperity.**

MINUTES END

