

Time commenced - 6.00 pm
Time finished - 7.20 pm

**CULTURE AND PROSPERITY COMMISSION
27 MARCH 2006**

Present: Councillor Travis (in the Chair)
Councillors Dhamrait, Graves, Jackson, Rawson and Troup

60/05 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors West and Willitts.

61/05 Late Items Introduced by the Chair

There were no late items.

62/05 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest

63/05 Minutes

The minutes of the meetings held on 23 January and 20 February 2006 were approved as correct records and signed by the Chair.

64/05 Call-in

There were no call-ins.

Items for Discussion

65/05 Performance Eye

The Commission considered a report of the Director of Resources, which identified all the performance indicators relevant to the Commission.

Resolved:

- 1. to include all 13 of the indicators relevant to the Commission in its Performance Eye scorecard.**
- 2. to receive a list of the local indicators relevant to the Commission at a future meeting.**

66/05 QUAD Update

The Commission considered a report of the Director of Regeneration and Community giving an update on the progress of QUAD in terms of both its building programme and its artist programme development. It was reported that Q Arts and Metro would be merging and that they were already developing an artistic programme together. The Council were giving support during the merger. It was also reported that the Format 05 photograph festival had been a great success and that the Format 06 photography festival was being developed.

Councillor Rawson commented that the Commission were doing a topic review on sponsorship for arts events such as the Format photography festival and asked whether it could become a regular event within the Derby City Council's arts programme. Ray Rippingale, Assistant Director, Culture replied that it was hoped it would become an event of regional and national importance.

The Commission also considered a presentation by John Beardmore, Environment City Executive and Carbon Trust Consultant regarding the environmental elements of the QUAD building. The Chair had invited John to attend the meeting and address the Commission. He told the Commission that a study could be carried out to retrospectively install environmental elements to the building as it was too late to add anything into the design as it had already been approved. Councillor Graves commented that these issues should be looked at by the Planning and Environment Commission as it came within their portfolio.

Resolved:

- 1. to note the report**
- 2. to ask the Planning and Environment Commission to look at QUAD and ask them to make a recommendation to Council Cabinet that they ensure that advice is sought on sustainable, renewable energy for QUAD and future developments.**

67/05 World Heritage Site Topic Review 2004/05

The Commission received an update on progress since the completion of their review of the Derwent Valley Mills World Heritage Site in 2005. It was reported that there had been progress on almost every recommendation made in by the Commission.

Councillor Graves asked for an update on the river taxi. Ray Rippingale replied that there had been a full feasibility study with costs and that it had been rolled into a bid to the Big Lottery fund called the Derwent Riverside Renaissance Project, which was a £38million project. The river taxi would run from the Council House or the Silk Mill to Darley Abbey Mills.

Councillor Travis asked for the progress on the action plan referred to in recommendation three. Ray Rippingale replied that it was in the process of being written and would go to Council Cabinet for their approval.

Resolved to note the report.

68/05 Work Plan 2005/06

The Commission received an update on the work plan for the remainder of 2005/06.

Resolved to note the update.

69/05 Retrospective Scrutiny

The Commission considered items they wished to retrospectively scrutinise.

Resolved to consider the closure of the footpath alongside the Silk Mill museum as a result of a fire in 2003 at a future meeting of the Commission.

70/05 Council Cabinet Forward Plan

The Commission considered the Council Cabinet Forward Plan.

Resolved to consider the following items at the most appropriate time:

Ref 79/05 Public Art – A Framework for Decision Making

**Ref 58/05 Peak District and Derbyshire Destination Management Partnership
– Involvement and Support**

Responses of the Council Cabinet/Council Cabinet Member to any reports of the Commission

71/05 Revenue Budget 2006/07 to 2008/09

The Commission considered a minute extract from Council Cabinet on 21 February 2006 regarding the Commission's recommendations from the revenue budget and council tax setting.

Resolved to note the report.

72/05 Matters Referred to the Commission by the Council Cabinet

There were no items.

MINUTES END

