

MINUTES OF THE ARTS AND INFORMATION COMMITTEE HELD ON 25th OCTOBER, 2016

Present: Councillor I Paul (Chair) and
Councillors, R Arthur, Mrs M R Baird,
E Bell, Mrs J A Bell, Mrs G Bleasdale,
B Burn Jnr, S Cudlip, Mrs S Forster,
R Meir, Miss S Morrison, K Shaw,
C Snowball, R Whitehead, K Younger.

Apologies: Councillor B Allen, Mrs B E Allen, Mrs H J
Cahill, B Taylor

Prior to commencement of the meeting the Chair advised members of this Committee and members of the public that in line with the amendment to 'the public bodies (admission to meetings) act 1960', which came into force in August, 2014, parts of this meeting may be recorded by photographic, video and audio means.

1. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Members were reminded prior to the start of the meeting of the need to disclose any interests prejudicial or personal, in accordance with the Code of Conduct.

2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 27th SEPTEMBER, 2016

RECOMMENDED the Minutes of this meeting, a copy of which had been previously printed and circulated to each Member, be approved and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

4. CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS

RECOMMENDED the list of conference appointments a copy of which had been previously circulated, be approved.

5. CONFERENCES, COURSES AND SEMINARS

a) Talking Dementia Conference

Conference to be held at 11.00am on 7th November at the Glebe Centre, Murton.

RECOMMENDED that the next two Members on the conference list be invited to attend.

b) Evaluation Form

RECOMMENDED that the Council accept the report from the Safety for Councillors Conference which was attended by Councillor Mrs J A Bell.

6. NOMINATIONS FOR PRESIDENT OF THE NAC

A Member recommended that Councillor E Bell should be nominated for the position of President of the NAC.

RECOMMENDED that Councillor E Bell be nominated for the position of President of the NAC.

7. EAST DURHAM AREA ACTION PLAN

a) **Health, Mental Health, and Wellbeing Priority Group – 8th September, 2016**

RECOMMENDED the Council note the information now reported.

b) **Minutes of the meeting of the Children and Young People Priority Group – 15th September, 2016**

RECOMMENDED the Council note the information now reported.

c) **Board Meeting – 13th September, 2016**

RECOMMENDED the Council note the information now reported.

8. REVISED BUDGET FOR 2016/17 AND PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2017/18

A Member noted that he was expecting to see an increase in the income for the function suite and café of a 10% increase. This will need to be rectified on the budget schedule.

RECOMMENDED that a 10% increase be accounted for on the income from the function suite and café.

9. PRESS OPPORTUNITIES

RECOMMENDED that a press opportunity could be used for the Poppy pebbles and also the memorial to be placed at Seaham High School.