

MINUTES OF THE ARTS AND INFORMATION COMMITTEE HELD ON 28TH MARCH, 2017

Present: Councillor K Younger (Chair) and Councillors, B Allen, Mrs B E Allen, E Bell, Mrs J A Bell, B Burn, B Burn Jnr, S Cudlip, Miss S Morrison, K Shaw, C Snowball, B Taylor, R Whitehead.

Apologies: Councillor R Arthur, Mrs G Bleasdale, Mrs H J Cahill, Mrs S Forster, I Paul, R Meir.

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 28TH FEBRUARY, 2017

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.

3. CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS

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

4. CONFERENCES, COURSES AND SEMINARS

a) NAC – Health & Wellbeing Conference 7th-9th April, 2017

The Committee considered details of the NAC Health and Wellbeing Conference, a copy of which was circulated at the meeting. The conference is due to take place in Scarborough on the 7th-9th April, 2017. In discussion it was felt that it would be more beneficial for Members to attend who hadn't already attended a conference this year.

RECOMMENDED that it would be more beneficial for Members to attend who hadn't already attended a conference this year.

5. **EAST DURHAM AREA ACTION PLAN**

a) **MSFOOC Priority Group - 25th November, 2016**

RECOMMENDED the Council note the information now reported.

b) **Children and Young People Priority Group – 19th January, 2017**

RECOMMENDED the Council note the information now reported.

c) **Board Meeting – 8th February, 2017**

RECOMMENDED the Council note the information now reported.

6. **WELCOME TO DURHAM VOICE**

RECOMMENDED the Council note the information now reported.

7. **DESTINATION SEAHAM**

The Chair informed Members that he had attended the most recent meeting of the Group held on Thursday 23rd March, 2017.

RECOMMENDED the minutes of the meeting of the Group which met on 23rd February 2017, be noted.

8. **EAST DURHAM CREATES**

A communication from Nikki Locke of East Durham Creates was circulated at the meeting to update Members on the work they have carried out to date within Seaham over the last three years.

Recommended the Council note the information now reported.

9. **PRESS OPPORTUNITIES**

RECOMMENDED the Council note that no press opportunities existed from this meeting.