
NOTICE OF MEETING

CABINET MEMBER FOR CULTURE, LEISURE AND SPORT

FRIDAY 11 DECEMBER 2015 AT 9.00 AM

CONFERENCE ROOM A - SECOND FLOOR, CIVIC OFFICES

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Councillor Yahiya Chowdhury, Labour

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AGENDA

- 1 Apologies for absence**
- 2 Declarations of interest**
- 3 The Arthur Conan Doyle Collection (Pages 1 - 6)**

Purpose of report

This report sets out to inform and update the Cabinet Member on the progress linked to the Arthur Conan Doyle Collection both in relation to the completion of the Heritage Lottery Funded (HLF) bid, Sharing Sherlock and the outline

plan for the Collection going forward.

RECOMMENDED

- (1) To acknowledge the success of the HLF funded 'Sharing Sherlock - Story of a Pompey Lad' project and especially the ability of the project to have such an active volunteering programme.**
- (2) To support the inclusion of the Conan Doyle Collection in the proposed regional Royal National Institute of the Blind HLF funded project along with other regional museums and heritage collections in the south and south east.**
- (3) To work with Tim Rusby of the Visitor Attraction Company to develop feasibility options for the delivery of a Portsmouth based Sherlock Holmes Experience.**
- (4) To explore the development of a new Sherlock Holmes exhibition to be commissioned by the Conan Doyle Trust which will incorporate elements which can be toured to other interested museums and cultural centres.**

4 Outline Events Programme for 2016 (Pages 7 - 12)

Purpose of report

This report sets out to inform and update the Cabinet Member on the outline events programme for 2016-17 and an outline proposal for an events strategy to deliver and develop a stronger events programme going forward.

RECOMMENDED

- (1) To welcome the early notification of the outline events plan for 2015-16.**
- (2) To request permission to develop an events strategy.**
- (3) To continue to work with event organisers to attract events to the city which build on the existing reputation for delivery of a high impact quality events programme and to request, where practical, an independent economic impact report for larger events.**
- (4) To work with local businesses and residents to ensure that they are fully aware of events in their area as early as possible to enable them to maximise the opportunity they present and to adapt their own arrangements in a timely manner.**

5 Library Services for the Vision Impaired (Pages 13 - 20)

Purpose of report

To inform the Cabinet Member for Culture, Leisure and Sport of Portsmouth Library and Archive Service's provision for blind and vision impaired residents; the breadth of the support offered; its contribution to the city's health and wellbeing agendas and to make a recommendation that seeks to improve the offer, in a context of reducing budgets.

RECOMMENDED

That the Library and Archive Services engages with Adult Social Care, Public Health and local disability groups to explore how services to

residents with sensory impairments can be further developed in the city.

The following items are for information only

6 Borrowbox, eBooks and eAudiobooks Update (Pages 21 - 26)

Purpose of report

To update the Cabinet Member for Culture, Leisure and Sport on the success of the Borrowbox, eBooks and eAudiobooks service in Portsmouth Libraries.

7 Transforming the D Day Museum - Project Update (Pages 27 - 30)

Purpose of report

- (1) To provide an update on the work completed during the first round/development phase of 'D-Day75 Transforming the D-Day Museum'.
- (2) This is in anticipation of a presentation to Members on the concept exhibition designs at the Cabinet Member Meeting.

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