

CABINET MEMBER FOR CULTURE, LEISURE AND SPORT

RECORD OF DECISIONS taken by the Cabinet Member for Culture, Leisure and Sport, Councillor Linda Symes, at the meeting held on Friday, 26 January 2018 at 9.00 am at the The Executive Meeting Room - Third Floor, The Guildhall

Present

Councillor Linda Symes (in the chair)

Councillor Stephen Morgan MP

Officers Present

1. Apologies for absence (AI 1)

There were no apologies for absence.

2. Declarations of interest (AI 2)

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Bandstand 2017 Evaluation Report & 2018 Proposals (AI 3)

TAKE IN REPORT)

The report was introduced by Claire Looney, Partnership & Commissioning Manager.

Councillor Symes said that there had been some complaints received about the Rhythm of the 90s event but felt on balance this should remain on Castle Field as long as the necessary measures are in place as agreed with the police.

In response to a question from Councillor Morgan, the Partnership & Commissioning Manager said the bandstand is in a very exposed location so if the event is cancelled due to inclement weather or if there are any emergency works to the seafront they will use social media along with corporate communications to notify the public. Councillor Symes added that this has worked very well in the past.

DECISION: The Cabinet Member authorised officers to contract out the delivery of the Bandstand programme 2018 to an organisation with good links with local promoters who will plan, oversee and deliver all elements of the 2018 programme of free music events on the seafront.

4. Revenue Grants 2018-2019 (AI 4)

(TAKE IN REPORT)

The report was introduced by Claire Looney, Partnership & Commissioning Manager.

Councillor Morgan expressed his full support for these grants to be awarded to the organisations. He felt it was hugely important that the Council continues to support these organisations to allow them the ability to receive funds from other sources to secure long term financial sustainability.

Councillor Symes agreed with Councillor Morgan. She added that the revenue grant for the New Theatre Royal was at that level as it is matched with some funding from the Arts Council and for this year at least it will stay at this level. The council will continue to do all it can to support these organisations as it is important to have a lot of cultural offers in the city.

DECISION: the Cabinet Member confirmed the details of the funding levels which have previously been agreed by Members at Full Council for cultural organisation for the financial year 2018-19.

The meeting concluded at 9.06 am.

Councillor Linda Symes
Cabinet Member for Culture, Leisure and Sport