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# NOTICE OF MEETING

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**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, CULTURE AND LEISURE SCRUTINY PANEL**

**TUESDAY, 25 FEBRUARY 2020 AT 5.30 PM**

**SOUTHSEA LIBRARY, PALMERSTON ROAD, SOUTHSEA  
(PLEASE NOTE VENUE)**

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Councillor Frank Jonas BEM

Councillor Hugh Mason

Councillor Robert New

Councillor Jeanette Smith

## **Standing Deputies**

Councillor Jason Fazackarley

Councillor Hannah Hockaday

Councillor Scott Payter-Harris

Councillor Linda Symes

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## **AGENDA**

- 1 Apologies for absence**
- 2 Declarations of Members' Interests**
- 3 Minutes of Previous Meeting - 20 January 2020 (Pages 3 - 8)**

RECOMMENDED that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 20 January 2020 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

**4 Review: Engagement with Culture and Leisure - widening social participation in Portsmouth**

The panel will continue its review and receive evidence from Lindy Elliott, Library and Archive Services Manager. Claire Looney, Partnership and Commissioning Manager and James Daly, Cultural Development & Projects Officer, will also be in attendance.

**The panel members will have had the opportunity to tour Southsea Library from 5pm prior to the meeting.**

From 5.30pm the EDCL Scrutiny Panel will consider:

1. Case studies from Southsea Library
2. The value of Cultural and Leisure engagement - Literacy, Learning, wellbeing education
3. Libraries - core library initiatives
4. Targeted access work:
  - Visually impaired groups
  - Homelessness Librarian
  - Summer reading Challenge Plus
5. Value of Volunteers - Friends of Southsea Library; adults with learning disabilities
6. Evolving access:
  - Location
  - Facilities
  - Partnerships i.e. Portsmouth Arts Network/Cultural Education Partnership/Portsmouth Creates, opportunity for shared spaces/funding bids and events.

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