

Minutes of the Sheffield Culture Consortium

Friday 28 July 2017, Vincent Harris Suite, City Hall

Attending:); Kate Dore (Chair - Yorkshire Artspace); Laura Sillars (Site Gallery); Tara Baker (Dance Network); Dan Bates (Sheffield Theatres); Ian Wild (Showroom/Workstation); Helen Featherstone (SIMT); Luisa Golob (Creative Guild);Vanessa Toulmin (TUoS); Ian Naylor (Music Hub); Elizabeth McIntyre (Doc/Fest)Rebecca Maddox (SCC).

Apologies: Paul Billington (SCC); Wendy Ulyett (Marketing Sheffield); Cllr Mary Lea; Jane Shields (Creative Guild); Neil Jones (SCC); Kim Streets (Museums Sheffield); Andrew Snelling (SCT/SIV Ltd); Sally Wade (SHU).

	Notes	Action
1.	<p>Minutes and Matters Arising</p> <p>Helen, the new Director of SIMT, was welcomed to the meeting.</p> <p>Minutes from 30/06/17 were agreed as accurate and signed off.</p> <p>Collation of ACE Annual returns on audiences to be actioned as part of the Strategy work now that new NPO round has been announced. Link up with Audience Finder also planned.</p> <p>We will finalise the 'Hat List' at the September meeting.</p> <p>Making Ways Artists Benchmarking Report to be circulated.</p> <p>CADS to be invited to a future meeting.</p> <p>IVE meeting is being set up.</p>	<p>RM</p> <p>RM</p> <p>RM</p>
2.	<p>Updates to ongoing projects – (see reverse of Agenda)</p> <p>A) Year of Making Evaluation/Report – Tamar Millen</p> <p>Tamar presented a draft report which reflects the parts of Year of Making which were directly delivered, plus findings from structured interviews carried out by Auriel Majumdar. She asked for the Consortium's views on potential conclusions.</p> <p>It was requested that audience/impact figures from Museums Sheffield and Sheffield Theatres YOM events should be included, as well as Catalyst figures.</p> <p>It was agreed that the final report should be sent to the Brand Partnership, to highlight the ongoing value of the City of Makers brand.</p>	<p>ALL</p>

	<p>B) Dance update – Tara Baker</p> <p>Tara updated on Dance Network Sheffield current and potential projects, as well as news from SY Dance Network, High Storrs, Hype, Yorkshire Dance and CAST.</p> <p>C) Making Ways</p> <p>Rebecca circulated Janet Jennings’ report. The project is progressing well.</p> <p>D) Creative Guild</p> <p>The Guild had a great 1st Birthday Party. Work is underway to encourage membership renewals, as well as developing an organisations offer. There is a new Marketing and Communications Officer, Brett Chapman, and Jane is much better. Max Cunningham is now the Guild Chair.</p> <p>E) Cultural Destinations 2</p> <p>Following Lush Spectra, the next CD2 events will be in March 18 and Oct 18, with ongoing city marketing around music, beer, street art, modernism and festivals.</p> <p>F) Cultural Strategy and Hat Chat</p> <p>A further working group on the Strategy took place yesterday, with another date set for August 10th. There are now 7 case studies to add to the document. It was agreed to add an additional strand on Culture and Wellbeing. Helen sat on the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Arts, Health and Wellbeing, who have published an important Inquiry, and she is keen to develop links between the Consortium and social prescribing/adult social care.</p> <p>We will sign off the ‘Hat List’ at the next meeting.</p> <p>G) Surrey Street Central</p> <p>A study looking at the role of the Library Theatre, and the demand for performance space, will be tendered shortly.</p>	<p>LMc and TB to meet up re potential collaboration</p> <p>RM to meet JS re potential Consortium membership and mentoring</p> <p>RM and HF to draft wellbeing strand for Strategy</p>
<p>3.</p>	<p>Presentations</p> <p>Sue Jolly – Move More Let’s Play</p> <p>Sue is developing a project, based on Let’s Play Copenhagen, which links art, architecture and sport to encourage physical activity, especially for young people. There are clear links to Sheffield’s Move More programme, and the Outdoor City; and Consortium members identified links to e.g City of Ideas and Tinsley Art Project.</p> <p>Deborah Smith – Tilted Axis Press</p> <p>Tilted Axis is a contemporary, artistically-driven, non-commercial independent press, specializing in translations from Arabic, Turkish, Indonesian, Japanese, Korean, Thai and Uzbek literature. The readership tends to be younger and ethnically diverse, and many of the authors are women. And Other Stories has also relocated to Sheffield, and there</p>	<p>RM to link Sue with LS, HF, LG, TB and SW</p> <p>RM to link Deborah with IW, LS</p>

	<p>is now a Northern Fiction Alliance in place with publishing houses in Liverpool, Manchester, Hull and Hebden Bridge. Deborah was attracted to relocate to Sheffield by Our Favourite Places and Now Then, and she is now a strong city advocate. She is collaborating with Off the Shelf, UoS and Hallam, and is hoping to open a city centre bookshop.</p>	and Ideas Bazaar
4.	<p>Strategic Bidding Opportunities</p> <p>An Air BnB Community Tourism Letter of Interest has been drafted, and Claire Thornley will help to finish it off for submission by August 4th.</p>	RM/Claire
5.	<p>Significant updates from members</p> <p>Helen is settling into her new role. She is keen to develop the idea of Making at Kelham, demonstrating innovation in the city and its industry. She also wants to link more with music, dance and the visual arts.</p> <p>Site's building work is progressing. Through the Making Ways project, Sheffield artists will be part of the Abandon Normal Devices festival in the Hope Valley 21st-24th September, exhibiting at the Hope Cement Works.</p> <p>The Sheffield-made knives used in Julius Caesar are being auctioned off for a Sheffield Theatres fundraiser.</p> <p>Tamar is in touch with the OurMel Festival which is running in Black History Month, and will link them with Consortium members.</p> <p>Consortium members were encouraged to apply for LEP Board membership by August 4th.</p>	
6.	<p>AOB</p> <p>Doc/Fest will run from 7th to 12th June in 2018.</p> <p>BBC Music Day will be 28 September 2018.</p> <p>Sally Wade will become Consortium Chair from September. Andrew Snelling was nominated as Vice Chair by Kate and seconded by Dan.</p>	
7.	<p>Date of next meetings:</p> <p>Friday August 25 - cancelled</p> <p>September 29th 2017, 9.30 – 11.30, Sheffield City Hall, Vincent Harris Suite</p>	