

Minutes of the Sheffield Culture Consortium

Friday 27 July 2018, City Hall, Vincent Harris Suite

Attending: Sally Wade (SHU - Chair); Andrew Snelling (SCT/SIV Ltd); Jane Shields (Creative Guild); Dan Bates (Sheffield Theatres); Helen Featherstone (SIMT); Tamar Millen (SCC); Kim Streets (Museums Sheffield); Wendy Ulyett (Marketing Sheffield); Neil Jones (SCC); Kate Dore (Yorkshire Artspace); Pete Evans (SCC Archives); Rebecca Maddox (SCC).

Apologies: Liz McIntyre (Doc/Fest); Paul Billington (SCC); Nick Partridge (Libraries); Judith Harry (Site Gallery); Ian Naylor (Music Hub); Sara Unwin (TUoS); Ian Wild (Showroom/ Workstation);

	Notes	Action
1.	<p>Minutes and Matters Arising</p> <p>Minutes of 29/06/18 agreed.</p> <p>Diversity workshop is being arranged, with Sheffield Hallam and Sheffield Theatres providing expertise.</p> <p>A pro-forma to map current partner activity in Darnall/Tinsley/Attercliffe has been drafted and amended by the Wellbeing Sub-Group.</p> <p>Measuring social return on investment – Kim is discussing best practice with Barnsley Museum.</p> <p>Film Hub North – future agenda item</p>	<p>RM</p> <p>RM to circ template</p> <p>Future agenda item</p> <p>RM/Chair</p>
2.	<p>Updates to ongoing projects and activities</p> <p>A) Making Ways</p> <p>Lots going on, but highlights are: Great Northern Contemporary Craft Fair 27-29 July at the Millennium Gallery, which includes 1/3 Sheffield craftspeople, and which came to Sheffield at the suggestion of Artists Panel member Chris Boland; and a successful review meeting with Daniel Cutmore, ACE, who is very pleased with the project.</p> <p>B) Creative Guild</p> <p>Since last month, some Seedbed funding and support from the University of Sheffield has helped with immediate pressures. Organisational membership has now been launched – Site signed up yesterday, and all are invited to do so. An event is planned for September to promote organisational membership. Jane thanked Consortium members for all their support recently.</p>	<p>JS to circ org membership info</p>

	<p>C) Create Sheffield and SNAP</p> <p>Rachael Dodd will be giving a SNAP update in September.</p> <p>Create Sheffield is developing its governance arrangements. Two thematic strands – City of Young Makers and Sheffield Adventures – are being developed. Create Sheffield will launch formally in the Autumn.</p> <p>D) Cultural Destinations 2</p> <p>A Festival of Modernism is being developed by Our Favourite Places as part of CD2, for the last weekend in October, in conjunction with the Modernism Society and RIBA.</p> <p>Red Bull has approached the city to run musical events in different venues.</p> <p>E) Surrey Street Central</p> <p>Continuing work behind the scenes on cost projections and funding options, including a possible bid to the Cultural Development Fund.</p> <p>F) Great Exhibition of the North</p> <p>Possible visit to GEON during w/b 2nd September.</p> <p>G) Hat List</p> <p>Dan – the BID is bringing Bricktoppolis to Sheffield. Ideas about alternative poster sites have been discussed.</p> <p>Chamber Visitor Economy Forum is proposing an event in the Autumn re Sheffield as a visitor destination. Important to join this up with existing work. MS and SIV have reps on this group, SCC currently does not.</p> <p>Helen – Joined up Heritage Sheffield has produced a briefing paper on their Heritage Strategy Framework.</p> <p>Sheffield Visual Art Group – Street Art Platform – Sally has had a discussion. Options to develop via OFP or Picture Sheffield.</p> <p>Yorkshire Visual Arts Network to be hosted by Hallam in the Autumn.</p> <p>Castlegate newsletter available.</p>	<p>Kim/Andrew/Wendy</p> <p>Rebecca to circ</p> <p>Rebecca to circ.</p>
<p>3.</p>	<p>Presentations</p> <p>Laura Bennett and Neil McDonald – the LEP and culture</p> <p>The LEP has a number of new members, with more being recruited. The main Board has 10 private sector members plus Local Authority leaders, and 4 Executive Boards covering Business Growth, Housing, Skills and Transport. Culture is not a specific LEP priority, but Dan Jarvis, City Region Mayor, sees culture as vital, and other LEPs have prioritised culture. Scope for city region-wide working on culture, and greater emphasis on overarching strategy needed.</p> <p>How best can we map the impact of culture on people’s lives, and articulate this in ways which make sense to the LEP?</p>	

	<p>Laura and Neil agreed to be conduits for culture into LEP discussions. They will meet with the Mayor and LEP staff to discuss creating city region cultural structures, potentially with an initial workshop.</p> <p>Iain Simons, National Videogame Arcade – a creative digital opportunity for Sheffield</p> <p>NVA is relocating from Nottingham to Castle House on October 26th, along with the British Games Institute. The BGI promotes skills development, investment and a cultural programme around videogames. Iain is the Director of Culture. His focus is the interpreting of videogames and diversity in content and workforce. Videogames are a meeting point for artforms, including music, choreography, writing and more.</p> <p>NVA is also looking to become a museum. It will provide skills training for young people and families, clubs, workshops, events, conferences and publications.</p> <p>Lots of useful contacts and ideas for joint working were suggested.</p>	CC to present to LEP Board?
4.	<p>Governance</p> <p>The proposal that the Culture Consortium becomes a Not for Profit Company was discussed and agreed in principle, with all present voting yes with one abstention.</p> <p>A succinct proposal document is required for members to present to their Boards.</p>	Dan, Kim, Andrew and Helen to work with Rebecca on detail
5	<p>Culture Plan updates</p> <p>Wellbeing Sub-Group – meeting in July discussed mapping, linking up with SAWN and the Advanced Wellbeing Research Centre, and a potential research project on the wellbeing effects of culture compared with sport.</p> <p>Cultural Spaces Sub-Group – is meeting next week, to continue developing a brief for an SCC Cultural Assets Strategy.</p>	Helen to circ link for research on impacts of dance
6.	<p>Strategic Bidding</p> <p>Cultural Development Fund – there was a discussion on potential bids, and the wish to co-ordinate as far as possible. The deadline for Eols is 15th August.</p>	
7.	<p>AOB</p> <p>There was a discussion on the Chair becoming a 2-year role, instead of 1 year. After discussion, it was agreed to retain an annual chairship.</p> <p>Helen was unanimously welcomed as the nominee for the next Vice Chair position.</p>	
	<p>Date of next meeting:</p> <p><i>NB. The August meeting has been cancelled!</i></p> <p>Friday September 28th, 9.30 – 11.45, Roco, Glossop Road</p>	