

CORPORATE CULTURAL SUB-COMMITTEE

At a Special Meeting of the Corporate Cultural Sub-Committee held on Tuesday 9 June 2009 in the Council Chambers, Clydebank Town Hall, Dumbarton Road, Clydebank at 10.00 a.m.

Present: Provost Denis Agnew and Councillors Gail Casey and Marie McNair.

Attending: Terry Lanagan, Executive Director of Educational Services; Alan Douglas, Manager of Legal Services; Lynda McLaughlin, Manager of Commercial Operations; Ken Graham, Manager of Lifelong Learning; Gill Graham, Section Head – Culture; Billy McCabe, Section Head – Events and Halls; Janice Rainey, Section Head (Grants); Aileen Douthwaite, Education Support Officer – Music Instruction and Craig Stewart, Committee Officer.

Apologies: Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors George Black and Iain Robertson.

Provost Denis Agnew in the Chair

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

It was noted that there were no declarations of interest in any of the items of business on the agenda.

FORMATION OF A TOWN HALL WORKING GROUP

The Manager of Legal Services was heard in clarification of what the role and remit of the proposed Working Group might be.

After discussion and having heard the Executive Director of Educational Services and relevant officers in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Sub-Committee agreed:-

- (1) to note that a working group was already in existence, involving officers and consultants working on behalf of the Council but engaged by Clydebank Rebuilt, who have been looking at the wider issues including the notion of creating a Civic Heart around the Town Hall as part of the waterfront regeneration proposals; and

- (2) that in view of (1) above, to request that a report be brought back to the next meeting of the Sub-Committee to ascertain the remit and terms of reference of the working group already in existence, in order to avoid duplication of effort and to keep Members fully apprised of developments in this regard.

2009 EVENTS OPTIONS

A report was submitted by the Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development outlining proposals for events at Moss O' Balloch in July 2009, including an evening ceilidh and a range of children's daytime events.

After discussion and having heard the Section Head – Events and Halls and relevant officers in elaboration and in answer to Members' questions, the Sub-Committee agreed:-

- (1) not to proceed with the proposal for an evening ceilidh and a range of children's daytime events for this year, due to the short timescale involved in making appropriate arrangements; and
- (2) that planning for an event of this nature be discussed further at the next meeting of the Sub-Committee, which was expected to be held in late August/early September 2009.

HOMECOMING SCOTLAND 2009 – EVENTSCOTLAND FUNDING

A report was submitted by the Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development advising of a further round of grant assistance which had been made available by the Scottish Government through EventScotland to local authorities for St. Andrew's day 2009 events.

After discussion and having heard the Section Head – Events and Halls in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Sub-Committee agreed:-

- (1) to note that the Council was committed to staging a Homecoming 2009 celebration and the possibility of funding from EventScotland would enable an event to be hosted in each of the three main geographical locations of the authority; and
- (2) to approve the development of an application to EventScotland for funding to host a programme of three Homecoming 2009 events as outlined in Paragraph 3.5 of the report.

The meeting closed at 11:16 a.m.