

CORPORATE CULTURAL SUB-COMMITTEE

At a Meeting of the Corporate Cultural Sub-Committee held on Monday, 30 November 2009 in the Council Chambers, Clydebank Town Hall, Dumbarton Road, Clydebank at 2.00 p.m.

Present: Provost Denis Agnew and Councillor George Black.

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

Apology: Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Ronnie McColl and Marie McNair.

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.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of the Corporate Cultural Sub-Committee held on 18 August 2009 were submitted and approved as a correct record.

The Minutes of Special Meeting of the Corporate Cultural Sub-Committee held on 5 October 2009 were submitted and approved subject to the undernoted correction:-

With reference to the item entitled 'Location Signage' to note, following discussion, that the decision to approve in principle (paragraph 10. refers) making £1k available to Bowling Community Council should have read Old Kilpatrick Community Council instead.

The Sub-Committee also agreed:-

- (1) to note, having heard from Councillor Black, that the location signage (paragraph 7. refers), had been ordered in respect of Bowling;
- (2) following discussion and having heard from the Executive Director of Educational Services and the Manager of Legal Services, to note the position with regard to the decision taken at Council regarding essential expenditure but to seek clarification as to whether the Sub-Committee decision, having been taken in advance of the Council decision, should still be actioned; and
- (3) to note that the St. Patrick's Well Working Group, chaired by Councillor Black, required to meet and, thereafter, provide officers with a brief around which an evening celebratory event could be scoped and costed. Following this, a report could then be prepared for consideration at a future meeting of the Sub-Committee.

BUDGETARY MONITORING REPORT: PERIOD 7 (2009/2010)

A report was submitted by the Executive Director of Corporate Services advising of the performance of the Corporate Cultural budgets for the period to 15 November 2009.

After discussion, the Sub-Committee agreed to note the contents of the report.

EXPLORATORY VISIT TO BEAUVOISIN

A report was submitted by the Executive Director of Corporate Services giving details of the exploratory visit to Beauvoisin undertaken from 15-17 October 2009 and inviting the Sub-Committee to consider further the proposed link with Beauvoisin and the area of Languedoc-Roussillon

After discussion and having heard the Manager of Administrative Services in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Sub-Committee agreed:-

- (1) to enter into a friendship link with Beauvoisin, it being noted that this was a less formal arrangement which did not require the signing of a twinning agreement but which still permitted the development of links and projects; and
- (2) to thank Mrs. Laird for all her hard work and efforts in driving this forward.

EVENTS 2009

A report was submitted by the Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development advising on the outcome of events staged by the Council thus far in 2009.

After discussion and having heard the Manager of Commercial Operations and relevant officers in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, it was agreed:-

- (1) to note the contents of the report;
- (2) that a report be prepared on events proposed for 2010 for submission to the next meeting of the Sub-Committee for consideration/discussion; and
- (3) to thank Lynda McLaughlin, Billy McCabe and the events section for their hard work and efforts in organising the events.

CLYDEBANK TOWN HALL WAR MEMORIAL

A report was submitted by the Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development advising of progress in the development of a memorial in Clydebanks to commemorate service personnel who lost their lives during active service in World Wars I and II.

Having heard the Manager of Legal Services and Provost Agnew in response, the Sub-Committee agreed to note the concerns expressed by Councillor Rooney at the meeting of the Corporate and Efficient Governance Committee held on 30 September 2009 in relation to the decision taken at a previous meeting of the Sub-Committee to exclude the names of 80 persons from the wall.

After discussion and having heard the Manager of Commercial Operations, the Sub-Committee agreed to note the contents of the report.

OPTIONS PAPER – MUSEUMS OUTREACH

A report was submitted by the Executive Director of Educational Services advising on a number of options for consideration relating to the provision of museum outreach services across West Dunbartonshire.

After discussion and having heard the Executive Director of Educational Services in elaboration and in answer to Members' questions, it was agreed to continue the report to the next meeting of the Sub-Committee to allow further consideration to take place.

The meeting closed at 3:35 p.m.