

**Minutes of a meeting of Cultural City Executive**  
**Wednesday 9 September 2009**

<b>Present</b>	Bob Betts Chair Professor Huw Davis Cath Harcula Phil Henry Keith Jeffrey David Joy Stephen Munn Councillor Joe Naitta Helen Osler Susannah Salter	Smith of Derby University of Derby Derby City Council Multi Faith Centre QUAD Derbyshire Sport Deda Derby City Council Derby City Council Voluntary Action Derby (formerly Derby CVS)
<b>Advisor</b>	Sue Jacklin	Derby City Partnership
<b>In Attendance</b>	Mike Brown David Potton Hannah Fox Jo Bell	Derby City Council Derby City Council Living Derby Living Derby

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<b>1</b>	<b>Introductions and apologies</b>	
	Andrew Beddow, Stephen Greasley, Peter Helps, Gopa Nath, Peter Shelton	
<b>2</b>	<b>Minutes – matters arising</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Derby City Council contribution of £10,000 to Forum of Faiths has been agreed.</li> <li>• Children in Poverty on agenda to focus on how we can work more closely with City for Children and Young People to support this agenda as culture has a big role to play in inspiring young people.</li> <li>• Sporting Futures event on 2 October to look at issues of engaging young people and avoiding duplication.</li> <li>• Multi Faith Centre has funding to run an interfaith football tournament.</li> </ul>	

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<b>3</b>	<b>Membership and amended Terms of Reference</b>	
	<p>New membership was agreed.</p> <p>3 Places for co-option</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Small Arts organisation co-optee is Peter Shelton from First Movement</li> <li>• Private Sector and Individual Champions were still to be appointed</li> </ul> <p>Nominations were suggested - any additional nominations to be sent to Helen who will then circulate for comment before approaching individuals.</p> <p>Terms of Reference – Agreed with following amendments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Add in “play” to areas of responsibility part 2.</li> <li>• Add in reference to interaction/links with County/3 Cities &amp; Region.</li> </ul>	<b>Helen</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Items for Discussion</b>	
<b>4.1</b>	<b>UK City of Culture</b>	
	<p>Helen gave background to City of Culture bidding process for 2013. The overall aim of UK City of Culture is to encourage the use of culture as a catalyst for change. Timetable is tight with outline bids required by 15 Oct and full bids by 10 Dec. It is estimated that 75% of the total investment of about £10m needs to come from the Council with the rest from sponsorship, grants, etc. However there is potential for a significant return. Leader of Council and Chief Executive are considering if we should apply but are concerned over the £8 million funding gap the Council is facing in 2011/12 and not sure if the time is right for Derby in 2013.</p> <p>It was suggested that we could produce a ghost bid, which would give the opportunity to set out our ambitions for culture in Derby. There may be emda funding available to support the bidding process. There was a discussion of the bid by members with the following points made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• benefits outweigh the negatives – we would need to put in a realistic bid and bear in mind we are an outsider</li> <li>• third sector felt it was a good opportunity for working together and partnerships developed from it would be beneficial</li> <li>• there is a difference between European Capital of Culture and UK City of Culture – rewards for the latter would not be so high</li> <li>• possibilities for city/county link up, and to see what can be done with available resources by 2013 - pulling together existing programmes across the county would create a significant programme</li> </ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• need to be aware of the public perceptions and support for this may not be as high in a climate of recession - we would need to sell the economic benefits</li> <li>• Derby is limited in venues to put on large scale activity - we need to be innovative in our offer but it also needs to be deliverable</li> <li>• if Derby City Council does not support the bid, then it would be difficult to go ahead as the council would be the major funder, but a ghost bid could be considered.</li> </ul>	<b>Helen to pursue</b>
<b>4.2</b>	<b>Festivals Development.</b>	
	<p>We have been invited by emda to submit a bid for Festival Development Activity over the next three years for up to £3/4 million. Mike Brown has put the bid together with partners and detailed the objectives and outcomes of the bid. The bid focuses on a new cultural landscape for Derby, increasing cultural economy and investing in festival activity. Activities include existing activities such as Format, Feste, Darley Park Concert and Derby Jazz festival. Other activities brought in to the programme would include South Asian Arts Festival, Derby Carnival, Diwali and Christmas lights programme.</p> <p>There was support for the bid from members and a discussion on what the city's programme provides for local people or visitors. It was agreed that festival programmes like this could feed into our potential City of Culture bid.</p> <p>It was noted that there is a lack of home grown talent in Derby resulting from a lack of high quality training infrastructure for cultural artists in our area.</p>	
<b>4.3</b>	<b>Centenary of Florence Nightingale's Death - 2010</b>	
	<p>Hannah Fox and Jo Bell from Living Derby attended the meeting to give background on the work they have done with communities and organisations in Derby related to local artefacts and history. In particular their work with Derby Hospitals led them to uncover part of a statue of Florence Nightingale. This led to the inspiration to create a programme of cultural activity linked to her work and coinciding with the 100 year anniversary of her death next year.</p> <p>Florence Nightingale has close links with Derby and she was involved in many activities – nursing, women's rights, health, statistics and poverty.</p> <p>There is an opportunity to create a festival – 'Illuminate' - based on her work and links to Derby and to claim her as a local icon with the potential to link in lots of agendas, activities, residents, organisations etc.</p> <p>Mike to meet with Hannah/Jo to discuss how it could fit into the Festivals Programme.</p> <p>QUAD could link a weekend of films related to Florence and her work.</p>	<b>Mike</b>

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	<p>The time frame will be May – September 2010</p> <p>Any organisation that would like to get involved or help to make this happen is invited to contact Hannah or Jo at Living Derby on 07967 605389 email <a href="mailto:info@livingderby.com">info@livingderby.com</a> or Web: <a href="http://www.livingderby.com">www.livingderby.com</a></p>	<b>All</b>
<b>4.4</b>	<b>Child poverty</b>	
	<p>David Potton gave a presentation on child poverty in Derby. He highlighted that approximately 200,000 children live in poverty in the East Midlands. In Derby, 22% of children belonged to families who were dependant on out of work benefits in 2007. This is less than 3.2% reduction in poverty since 2004, a rate of poverty reduction not high enough to meet the government target by 2020. The Child Poverty bill published in June 2009 places a duty on local authorities and their partners to work together to reduce child poverty and its effects.</p> <p>To reduce the amount of child poverty in Derby, NI 116 'Proportion of children in poverty' has been made a priority.</p> <p>A Poverty Task Group and Strategic Poverty Group have been established with leads identified in each city theme group. The task group has identified key actions for the groups to prioritise which include agreeing a local set of measures and identifying gaps in delivery and actions to fill the gaps.</p> <p>The next step for Cultural City is to see what is currently being done to tackle child poverty and identify what more could be done. Sue to circulate a template document for the Executive and Sub Groups to complete which will reflect what is currently being done and what could be done. The responses will be picked up at the next meeting.</p>	<b>Sue</b>
<b>4.5</b>	<b>Impact of Recession</b>	
	<p>Sue provided a summary of the responses received from partners to the impact of the recession based on the following questions: An overview of the impact of the recession on members' work area/s</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• any new activities / initiatives you have undertaken in 2009/10 in response to the recession</li> <li>• any services that have been re-focused to counteract the recession</li> <li>• any planned activities / initiatives that you anticipate for 2010 / 2011 in preparation for an on-going downturn</li> <li>• any early indications / trends of other potential impacts on your work areas due to the recession.</li> </ul> <p>Any additional responses need to be sent to Sue by Friday am so that a final response can be completed by 11 Sept.</p>	<b>All who have not responded</b>
<b>4.6</b>	<b>Cultural Audit</b>	
	Sue presented the work that had been done so far on trying to get a picture	

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	<p>of the breadth and diversity of cultural groups in Derby. This has created a listing of over 450 organisations in Derby that are delivering cultural activity. The initial listing has been obtained from information received from the sub groups and Community Action and there will no doubt be additional organisations that are not included.</p> <p>The original plan was to create a mechanism for a two way communication with cultural organisations in the city, however there needs to be additional clarity on what information would be circulated or requested.</p> <p>It was agreed to put this work on hold for the moment while the work on City of Culture takes place.</p>	
<b>5.1</b>	<b>Reports from Sub Groups</b>	
	<p><b>Arts Forum</b></p> <p>In future they will aim to meet before CCE so they can feed into meeting. They would like to feed in to the agenda one month before. The Arts Forum has been restructured and the executive group is now made up of the chairs of the sub groups.</p> <p>Refurbishment of 22 Cornmarket has transformed an empty retail unit into art exhibition space. Partners encouraged take a look.</p> <p><b>Learning for Living</b></p> <p>Unsuccessful Learning Revolution funding bid, however the partnership working experience was good and will try again.</p> <p><b>Most Active City</b></p> <p>First meeting of MAC is scheduled for early November.</p> <p><b>Forum of Faiths</b></p> <p>There was no update</p>	
<b>5.2</b>	<b>DCP Co-ordinator and Strategic Lead's Report</b>	
	<p>DCP Week was briefly discussed. An evaluation report will be going to the DCP Management Group in October. Partners were asked for any feedback on DCP Week to be given to the Strategic Lead to feed into discussions.</p>	
<b>6</b>	<b>Any other Business</b>	
	<p>It was Susannah's last meeting before her maternity leave begins. Thanks were recorded to Susannah for her contribution on the Cultural City Executive.</p> <p>DCP Board has approved extended contracts for Hazel &amp; Helen until 31 March 2010.</p>	

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	<b>Date, time and venue of next meeting</b>	
	<p>Wednesday 11 November 2009 Cultural City Executive 12.30 - 2.30  Performance and Commissioning Group 11.30-12.30</p> <p><b>Dates for next year:</b></p> <p>Wednesday 10 February 2010  Wednesday 14 May 2010  Wednesday 8 September 2010  Wednesday 10 November 2010</p> <p>Executive Meeting 12.30- 2.30  Performance and Commissioning Group 11.30-12.30 prior to CCE meetings</p>	