

# NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

## DECISION SHEET

Meeting of the Cabinet Panel on Community Engagement and Cooperative Development held as  
a Virtual Meeting  
on Monday, 7th June, 2021 at 7.30 pm

### 1 WELCOME AND REMOTE/PARTLY REMOTE MEETINGS PROTOCOL SUMMARY

The Chair welcomed everyone to this virtual Cabinet Panel on Community Engagement and Co-operative Development meeting that was being conducted with Members, Officers and Arts and Culture Representatives at various locations, communicating via audio/video and online, and advised that there was the opportunity for the public and press to listen and view proceedings.

The Committee, Member and Scrutiny Officer undertook a roll call and referred Members to the Remote/Partly Remote Meetings Protocol Summary included with the agenda and the full version which was available on the Council's website and included information regarding:

- Live Streaming;
- Noise interference;
- Rules of Debate; and
- Voting.

### 2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies received.

### 3 MINUTES - 21 OCTOBER TO 09 NOVEMBER 2020

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Cabinet Panel held on 21 October 2020 and 9 November 2020 be approved as a true record of the proceedings and the Committee, Member and Scrutiny Officer be authorised to apply the Chair's digital signature.

### 4 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (1) The Chair advised that the meeting was about Community Engagement with a focus on the Arts. The meeting would take the form of a discussion on how arts providers, and their audiences, planned to recover from the pandemic and how to thrive in the new world;
- (2) The Chair welcomed those present at the meeting, especially those attending from arts and culture organisations from across the district;
- (3) The Chair advised that, in accordance with Council Policy, the meeting would be audio recorded as well as filmed. The audio recording would be available on the Council's website and the film recording via the NHDC YouTube channel;
- (4) The Chair drew attention to the item on the agenda front pages regarding Declarations of Interest and reminded Members that, in line with the Code of Conduct, any Declarations of Interest needed to be declared immediately prior to the item in question;
- (5) The Chair welcomed Councillor Sam Collins as the new Joint Chair of the Panel, and thanked Councillor Keith Hoskins for all his work as Joint Chair during the previous civic year.

**5 NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business notified.

**6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - INTRODUCTIONS**

Representatives from arts and culture groups across the district briefly introduced themselves and their organisations.

**7 INFORMATION NOTE AND GROUP DISCUSSION**

The Chair led a discussion on how arts providers, and their audiences, planned to recover from the pandemic and how to thrive in the new world.

**8 MEMBERS' DISCUSSION**

The Chair led a discussion amongst Members on how the Council could support arts and culture organisations at the present time.

**9 ACTIONS ARISING AND WORK PROGRAMME**

**RESOLVED:** That the Community Engagement Team Leader be requested to update the Work Programme with the following action point arising from the evening's discussion:

To create an email distribution list of arts and culture providers to facilitate further networking, with a view to setting up another virtual meeting.