

Cultural Partnership Group

Venue: St Peter's Centre

Date: Tuesday 3rd November 2009

Time: 1pm

Present: Paul Foster – Sports Development
Gerard Vinton – Head of Leisure and Recreation
Peter Kenyon – BAP
Andy Buck – Parks
Julie Dawson – LCC, Burnley Central Library
Helen Jones – Arts Development
Rachel Hawthorn – Arts Development

Apologies: Jacqueline Whitaker – Tourism
Elaine Roberts – LCC Arts Development
Mike Townend – Towneley Hall
Mary Brown – LCC Libraries
Chris May – Curious Minds

Minutes of CSIT and recent Cultural Partnership meetings are now available for download from www.burnley.gov.uk. Go to Leisure Time and click on Related Downloads at the bottom of the page.

1. Minutes of last meeting

Minutes are correct.

2. Burnley's New Brand

This item will be moved to the next meeting, everyone present has already seen the presentation. Updates on the brand process will be brought to future meetings.

3. CSIT Update

Joint working continues to be a focus. Parks and Leisure will be having their first internal joint meeting on 18th November.

4. BAP Community Strategy

Burnley is currently going through a great deal of change. Three years into the 10-year plan, the Burnley Action Partnership Community Strategy is being revised, with attention to achievements from the past 3 years and any relevant revisions for the coming 7 years. The strategy will guide the allocation of any LSP funds, and so it is important that culture is as fully represented as possible. Headlines are more important than details when considering any additions or revisions to be offered by the Cultural Partnership.

The group agrees to offer the following additions: (Exact wording to be confirmed by named person indicated)

Section 3.1

- Improvements to green spaces including refurbishment of play areas and 5 out of 6 parks now holding Green Flag status - **Helen**

- Singing Ringing Tree - **Helen**

Section 3.4 – New facilities for learning

- BYT new building - **Helen**
- Spirit of Sport and Unity Performing Arts College – new sports and arts facilities that are available to public - **Helen**
- Multi sensory facilities for disabled children available in Library - **Julie**

Section 3.5 – Heritage

- £3.5 million funding for Towneley – **Helen**

Section 3.7 – Safer Communities

- Dambusters – **Paul**
- Park Rangers – **Andy**
- Cultural activities supporting community cohesion including events and diversionary activities for young people – **Helen**
- Working with other agencies on engagement activities for young people - **Andy**

Vision for 3 years time, under themes from pg 19 onwards:

Prosperity

- New college programme at Burney College and UCLAN campus will be established and will be providing new professionals in the region – **Helen**

Places

- Cultural Partnership will develop cultural offer... - **Helen**
- Dambusters and Street Football – **Paul**
- A compact to be agreed between BCN and BBC to allow coordinated approach to participatory community activities – **Peter/Helen**
- Schools for the Future sports and arts facilities are being accessed for community use – **Helen**
- Bespoke youth zone created in Burney Central Library - **Julie**
- Library is resource for accessing community services – **Julie**

People

- Increased access for residents to participate in cultural activities... - **Helen**

This feedback will be sent via Helen and Rachel by the end of November.

5. Feedback from LSP meetings

Stronger Communities - Helen

The recession has taken its toll on young people aged 19 – 25. What can be reported back as significant contribution to supporting this age group?

- Parks apprenticeships
- Sports facilities apprenticeships
- “Strike for Life” targeting young people in social care
- “Step to it” for young women
- Volunteer Burnley

Also, the council is introducing an online engagement tool to increase resident’s input into decision-making.

Please come to next meeting prepared to report back from other LSP meetings.

6. Any Other Business

Representation on Cultural Partnership

Discussion was had about the current make-up of the group and if further representation is needed. Peter Kenyon represents BCN, BYT and MPA. It was agreed at last meeting that Gordon Howley would find another BCN representative to replace Anwar. Representatives from other voluntary groups already attend other LSP meetings. Pressures on staff time for these groups means that attendance at CP might be difficult and unlikely even if reps were invited. It was agreed to invite Eugene Dennison/Colin Hill to represent the Town Centre, and Linda Searle from Healthy Lifestyles.

ACTION

Blues Festival

PK raised a question about the Blues Festival being cut to one day next year. GV answered that main reason is that the sponsorship has been cut and the event has made a significant loss over the last few years. There is potential that Burnley FC may become involved, with the event moved to Turf Moor when/if it can be converted, which is dependant on the club staying in the premiership next year. The reduction to a one day event will keep the Blues Festival ticking over until then, and is seen as a better option than cancelling the event altogether.

Event review

Kevin Keith has mentioned at another meeting (Tourism group) that there are plans for an event review to take place early next year. GV will keep us informed of developments.

Invisible Switch On

Recent lantern procession event organised by Arts Development was very successful with two workshops in St Peter's School and Children's Library and at least 60 people attending the procession. A few of the artworks have been decommissioned, but the majority are now up and running for the winter months.

Observatory unveiling

Burnley's new public artwork Observatory will be unveiled in a public event at 4pm on Thursday 19th November. This comes about one and a half years behind schedule due to various unavoidable issues along the way.

Sports Strategy

The current strategy comes to a close this year. The new strategy running from 2010 – 2015 is in process and will be launched in March next year. SPAA will develop key themes, linking them in with Community Strategy themes of Prosperity, Places and People. Recent achievements will be highlighted showing the dramatic change and upgrading that has taken place

over the last few years. Consultation has taken place online and through networks. PF will bring another update to the next Cultural Partnership meeting.

Events for children and families

Any info about events for children and families can be sent direct to Julie Dawson at the Library for dissemination. Contact her on 01282 463759 or email Julie.dawson@lancashire.gov.uk. Magic 8 balls will be distributed through the Children's Library.

ACTION

Dates for 2010 meetings

Tuesday	12 th January	1pm	Towneley Hall
Tuesday	9 th March	1pm	Burnley College Campus
Tuesday	4 th May	1pm	
Tuesday	6 th July	1pm	
Tuesday	7 th September	1pm	