

Cultural Commission

NOTE OF BOARD MEETING: 21ST FEBRUARY 2005 AT THE MELVIN HOUSE HOTEL

Present: Ian Ritchie, Brian Lang, Shonaig Macpherson, George Black, Gordon Jeyes, Colin Marr, James Boyle, Bryan Beattie, Rachel Blanche, Karen Watson, Richard Smith and Stuart Thomas

1: Apologies	Lucy Mason and Sheena Wellington
1.1: Extra item - Minute of 30 to 31 January Board Meeting	Note of St Andrews Board was noted. To be agreed at next formal meeting of the Board on 23 March.
1.2: Extra item – Secretariat Staffing	Additional paper (paper 7) tabled for noting on unexpected staff changes occurring within the Secretariat
2.1: 9 th February presentation & feedback	Both sessions went well and useful feedback was received.
2.2: Summary of the whole story	See separate items below for points that arose during the discussion.
2.3: Cultural rights and 2.4: Delivery structures	Additional paper (paper 3) tabled. See Annex 1: Restricted Policy for details of the discussion.
2.5: The Cultural Sectors	
2.6: The Institute	Additional paper (paper 8) tabled. See Annex 1: Restricted Policy for details of the discussion.
2.7: Implementation timeline	Item covered under agenda items 2.3 and 2.4
3: Education issues	See Annex 1: Restricted Policy for details of the discussion.
4: Research Priority areas	As Commission enters its final phase of work there is a required for its research to be focused and targeted on knowledge gaps. Suggestions welcome. <i>Secretariat to circulate recent research material including a paper from the recent A&B conference on the “Art of Dying”.</i>
5: Voluntary Sector Report Recommendations	See Annex 1: Restricted Policy for details of the discussion.
5.1: AOB	Discussion on Final Report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plan to present options and incorporate SWOT analysis. • Essential that Report demonstrates that the Commission has genuinely consulted • Suggestion that the names of all those who have contributed should be included in the Report <p><i>1. Secretariat to circulate PMP papers with agenda and voluntary sector paper for the Board meeting on 2 March</i> <i>2. BBC in Scotland paper to come to the next Board meeting</i> <i>3. Meeting with the Minister planned for mid March to discuss cultural rights and infrastructure models</i> <i>4. Don Paterson’s paper on the Declaration to be circulated in advance of 2 March Board meeting</i> <i>5. Hope to circulate paper on the National Libraries in advance of 2 March Board meeting</i></p>
6: Date and time of next meeting	Wednesday 2nd March from 12:00 to 5:30 pm (starting with a sandwich lunch) at the Melvin House Hotel.

	Agenda will include additional items on:-
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- Phase 3 process
- The content of the Final Report