

SUNDERLAND NORTH AREA COMMITTEE

28th March 2011

REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

COMMUNITY ACTION IN SUNDERLAND NORTH – PROGRESS REVIEW Work Plan 2010/11: Heritage Task and Finish Group

1. Why has it come to Committee?

1.1 The report provides an update of outstanding issues and progress against agreed actions in the current year's (2010/11) work plan, **Annex 1a.**

2. Work plan 2010/11: Heritage

2.1 The group have met and discussed the priorities of the Heritage Task and Finish Group and projects that may be developed to support the achievement of the priorities.

2.2 Learning

Eight of the schools across the North area have engaged in the Heritage theme and agreed to develop and share the curriculum planning around this subject.

2.3 Each school has identified a heritage site it wishes to adopt and base work around this and various types of heritage within the city.

2.4 The schools have been provided with information on resources available to them to support the development of individual projects and curriculum based activities.

2.5 Specific Projects – International Oral History Conference.
Living History North East has secured the International Oral History Conference for Sunderland to take place in July 2011 at St Peter's Campus and the Glass Centre.

2.6 Three of the local history groups will be participating in the project as follows:

- Display and information stand within the conference.
- Delivering a tour of St Peters Church
- Delivering a riverside walk

2.7 SIB funding will be required to support the involvement of the local history groups to participate within the conference.

2.8 It has also been agreed through Living History North East that artwork, film, photographs, recorded oral history and music related to heritage developed by the schools engaged in the Heritage theme will be displayed at the Conference.

- 2.9 Specific Projects – Metro Station
DB Metro, who have responsibility for the management of the metro station platforms have developed a project for community engagement with the stations to undertake projects to make the stations more attractive, and report any issues of vandalism or damage.
- 2.10 Community groups in the Fulwell and St Peter’s ward have agreed to become involved in the work for Seaburn Station and St Peter’s station.
- 2.11 The community work at Seaburn Station will improve the physical appearance of the platform with artwork and information depicting our coastal heritage e.g. Lighthouse, Airshow etc.
- 2.12 The community work at St Peter’s station will improve the physical appearance of the platform with artwork for the glass area visible inside and outside of the platform of St Peters church. In addition a heritage map would be developed for the bottom of the platform showing people where areas of interest are located.
- 2.13 The work within the Metro stations will contribute to the heritage priority within the local area plan as well as support culture and tourism and the world heritage application. These projects also provide the opportunity for local community groups and schools to work together.
- 2.14 SAFC foundation is investigating the community involvement in the Stadium of Light Metro station platform.

Recommendation

- Note the report provided.
- Agree the work of schools within the Living History North East Conference.
- Agree the community projects at the Metro platforms within the North area.

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