

## EASTLEIGH MUSEUM JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Thursday, 15 November 2018 (11:30 am – 12:30 pm)

### PRESENT:

Representing Eastleigh Borough Council – Councillor Reynolds, Bicknell and Wayne Irish

Representing Hampshire County Council – Councillor Thornton

Representing Hampshire Cultural Trust – Cerian Gale

Representing One Community - Jean Roberts-Jones

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Grajewski

### 28. MINUTES

#### **RESOLVED –**

**That the Minutes of the meeting held on 12 July 2018 were agreed as a correct record.**

### 29. COMMUNITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Consideration was given to the report by the Community Manager of Eastleigh Museum that advised that the Museum enjoyed a successful summer and early autumn period.

Mid Hants Railway provided a collection of railway related photographs which was exhibited during the *Southern Steam in the 1960's: Photos by Tim Carbury* event which run through the summer.

The photographs were supplemented by railway related items from the Hampshire Cultural Trust collection and children's activities including dressing up and a model railway.

One Community organised several events at the Eastleigh Museum including a steam engine themed Museum Trail – linked to the Southern Steam in the 1960s, wand making and lava lamp making. They were all very well attended by both adults and children.

Another event organised by Once Community was the *Local Produce and Craft Days* which was a fantastic opportunity to sell and display local produce.

One Community organised an exhibition celebrating their 40th year which was attended by the dignitaries, trustees, senior managers and representatives of the One Community's 170 volunteers.

One Community had received the highest accolade for voluntary groups in the UK, The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service.

The Eastleigh Museum continued to host the Good Neighbours. The group of participants who were identified as socially isolated were brought to the

site by One Community's minibus. The Good Neighbours group met with the archives volunteer and with a representative from Mencap (the learning disability charity).

Vivid Homes launched *Get Back on Track*, a fortnightly drop-in from Wednesday 7 November. People could drop in to get help and guidance with employment and training, benefits, volunteering and wellbeing support signposting.

The National Health Service (NHS) launched a new smoking cessation drop-in called Quit4Life.

Visitor figures were good, they were lower compared to the previous year but as there were fewer big events, it was to be expected. Numbers in both Aug and Sept were an improvement on last year and are a reflection on the popular exhibitions in those months, but also a very successful programme of holiday activities in Aug and the Eastleigh Remembers event in Sept.

Eastleigh Museum was re-accredited by the Arts Council England in July.

Eastleigh Museum and Hampshire Community Trust HCT continued to be involved in the community engagement programmes – *Horizon 20:20* and *The ICE Project*.

*Horizon 20:20* was a four-year arts intervention programme run by Hampshire Cultural Trust, funded by Paul Hamlyn Foundation. During the autumn term 10 students at The Bridge Education Centre in Eastleigh (excluded from mainstream education) had taken part in 5 weeks of screen-printing workshops.

The ICE Project was a partnership between Hampshire Cultural Trust and Hampshire Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service, to use arts and culture to promote positive mental health.

Hampshire Cultural Trust continued to market the museum venue through its

"What's On for Families" publication which was delivered to numerous locations. Online marketing presence included the monthly e-newsletter and promotion on social media.

Members asked the Community Manager – Cerian Gale, about upcoming events at the museum.

She confirmed that the ever popular *Community Christmas Tree Exhibition* and the Santa's Grotto would be making a comeback later this year.

## 30. FINANCE REPORT

Cerian Gale delivered a report on the new museum budget.

The year to date figures did show an underspend on the Projects line but as

the funding commitment relating to the social impact work project had already been made later in this financial year, expenditure figures would change.

Members asked if it could be possible to circulate the Lease Agreement between the Hampshire Cultural Trust and Hampshire County Council who owned the site.

31. DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

It was confirmed that the next meeting would be held on 14 February 2019 at 11:30 am in room 11/12 at Eastleigh House.

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