



# **Minutes**

# Community Engagement Forum Extraordinary Partnership Board (Central)

Venue: Committee Room, Selby Civic Centre

Date: Monday 6 February 2017

Time: 4pm

Present: <u>District and County Councillors</u>

Councillors Steve Shaw-Wright (Chair), Ian Chilvers (Vice Chair), Judith Chilvers, Cliff Lunn, Wendy Nichols, Jennifer

Shaw-Wright, Jude Thurlow and Paul Welch.

Co-opted Members

Margaret Bontoft, Melanie Davis, Michael Dyson, Anthony Wray

and Keith Watkins.

Apologies: Craig Laskey.

Officers present: Paul Varney, Programme Manager, Groundwork and Daniel

Maguire Democratic Services Officer.

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#### 21. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest.

## 22. FUNDING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

The Partnership Board considered the following applications, which had been deferred at the previous meeting on 9 January 2017, to allow the applicants to provide additional information.

#### 22.1 Dep Arts Ltd

The application was for £12,000 to fund a Schools Theatre Tour as part of the 2017 Selby Arts Festival. The application explained that the project would benefit

a number of local primary schools in order to engage children in high quality arts and culture activity as part of the 2017 Selby Arts Festival taking place from 22 to 30 July 2017.

Additional information had been circulated with the agenda pack, in response to questions the Board had asked at the previous meeting. It was confirmed that the additional information provided satisfactory answers to the questions raised by the Board. In particular it was confirmed that the project would include all schools within the Central CEF area.

The Board considered the application against the funding framework and confirmed that the application met the requirements.

#### **RESOLVED:**

To approve the grant of £12,000 as set out in the application.

### 22.2 Children's Reading Festivals

The application was for £3,000 to purchase books for children as part of Selby Children's Reading Festival. The application explained that the event would be held from 23 to 25 March 2017 at Selby Abbey and ten Selby schools would be invited to attend. It was explained that all pupils of each school would be invited and children from each year group would experience a read-aloud interactive session with an author relative to their age group. The Board were informed that the funding would be used to purchase books to be given to the children attending.

Additional information had been circulated with the agenda pack, in response to questions the Board had asked at the previous meeting. The Board welcomed the additional information but were concerned that the project was too complex to realise its aims. Although supportive of the aims of the project, the Board felt that it could not support the project in its current form. The Board suggested that a more suitable approach would have been to develop a sustainable project engaging with local libraries in addition to local schools.

#### **RESOLVED:**

To refuse the application for the reasons stated above.

The meeting closed at 4.39pm