

Voluntary and Community Sector Committee - 18 June 2018

Minutes of the meeting of the Voluntary and Community Sector Committee held at Committee Room 1, Town Hall, Upper Street, N1 2UD - Islington Town Hall on 18 June 2018 at 6.30 pm.

Present: **Councillors:** Kaya Comer-Schwartz and Richard Watts

Observer Anjna Khurana
Councillors:

Councillor Richard Watts in the Chair

- 1 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Item A1)**
Received from Councillor Diarmaid Ward and Councillor Michelline Safi-Ngongo (observer).
- 2 **DECLARATION OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS (Item A2)**
None.
- 3 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item A3)**
None.
- 4 **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (Item A4)**

RESOLVED:
That the minutes of the meeting held on 24 April 2018 be confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings and the Chair be authorised to sign them.
- 5 **PROPOSED MEMBERSHIP, TERMS OF REFERENCE AND DATES OF MEETINGS OF VOLUNTARY AND COMMUNITY SECTOR COMMITTEE IN 2018/19 (Item A5)**

RESOLVED:
That the membership of the Voluntary and Community Sector Committee, as appointed at the Executive on 14 June 2018, its terms of reference and dates of meetings for the municipal year 2018/19, be noted as set out in Appendix A of the report of the Corporate Director of Resources.

Reasons for decision
To inform members of the remit of the Committee.

Other options considered
None

Conflicts of interest/Any dispensations granted
None

6 **ISLINGTON COUNCIL VENUES FREE COMMUNITY USE SCHEME (Item B1)**

RESOLVED:

- (a) That a reduction be made in the number of free hires of the Assembly Hall from eight each year to up to four events each year and, at the same time, the opportunity be opened up for up to a further four community groups to apply to use the Town Hall's larger committee rooms for smaller events more suited to these rooms.
- (b) That the name of the scheme be changed to "The Islington Council Venues Free Community Use Scheme" to reflect the two different packages offered as detailed in paragraph 5.1 of the report of the Executive Member for Community Development.
- (c) That the changes to the application process and criteria, as detailed in paragraph 5.2 of the report, be approved.
- (d) That the application timetable detailed in paragraph 7 of the report be approved.

Reasons for decision

The scheme provided an opportunity for the Council to support local organisations through free use of the Assembly Hall.

Other options considered

None.

Conflicts of interest/Any dispensations granted

None

7 **ISLINGTON COUNCIL'S COMMUNITY CHEST : ROUND THREE GRANT AWARDS 2017/18 (Item C1)**

RESOLVED:

That the funding decisions (6 March 2018) made by Islington Council's Community Chest Panel, in relation to the third round of grant funding for 2017/18, as detailed in Appendix A of the report of the Executive Member for Community Development, be noted.

Reasons for decision

The decisions on grant awards had already been made by Islington Council's Community Chest Panel and therefore the report was for the Committee's information only.

Other options considered

None

Conflicts of interest/Any dispensations granted

None

The meeting ended at 6.35 pm

CHAIR