

## SUMMARY OF DECISIONS TAKEN

**MEETING:**                    **Community Select Committee**  
**Tuesday 9 December 2014, Shimkent Room, Daneshill House, Stevenage, SG1 1HN**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**    Councillors: S Mead (Chair), M Notley (Vice Chair), R Broom, E Harrington, A McGuinness and J Mead.

<b>1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b>	<b>ACTION/LEAD</b>
<p>Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor L Bell, E Connolly and P Stuart.</p> <p>There were no declarations of interests.</p>	<p>G Moody Ext 2203</p>
<b>2. MINUTES – 19 NOVEMBER 2014</b>	
<p>It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the Minutes of the meeting of the Community Select Committee held on 19 November 2014 be agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.</p>	<p>G Moody Ext 2203</p>
<b>3. UPDATE ON EXECUTIVE PORTFOLIO RESPONSE TO MUSEUM REVIEW RECOMMENDATIONS</b>	
<p>The Committee received an officer update to the Executive Portfolio Holder response to the Museum Review carried out by the Children, Young People, Culture, Sport &amp; Leisure Development and Scrutiny Committee in November 2012.</p> <p>Members asked a number of detailed questions about the update which were answered by the Officers.</p>	

<p>In reply to comments about the availability of WiFi in the Museum the Committee was advised that the Council’s review of WiFi provision in its buildings would be extended to the Museum. It was noted that the construction of the building was a factor behind the current issues and that a full survey would be required to determine a solution. The Committee was further advised that the IT roll-out of hosted desk-top computers would take place in the new year.</p> <p>It was noted that there was no link from the Museums’ page on the Hertfordshire County Council website to the Museum pages on the Council’s website.</p> <p>Members made two suggestions to improve the financial viability and attractiveness of the museum as a destination and officers undertook to investigate the possibility of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. contracting with a third party to facilitate the sale of digitised photographs from the museum’s collection.</li><li>2. providing a ‘pop-up’ coffee shop with an outdoor area for special events or offering a franchise opportunity to a third party on an on-going basis.</li></ol> <p>In reply to a question concerning the relocation of the museum the Committee was advised that was an ambition of the Council to site the museum in more suitable premises.</p> <p>It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the updates to the Executive Portfolio Response be noted.</p>	<p>P Wain Ext 2985</p> <p>G Gaine Ext 2206</p> <p>Jo Ward Museum</p> <p>M Partridge Ext 2456</p>
<p><b>4. URGENT PART 1 BUSINESS</b></p>	
<p>None</p>	
<p><b>5. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC</b></p>	
<p>Not required.</p>	

<b>PART II</b>	
<b>6. URGENT PART II BUSINESS</b>	
None	