

Meeting: Culture and Leisure Sub-Committee

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1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to give the Culture and Leisure Sub-Committee an update on the progress of consultation on a Cultural Strategy for North Tyneside.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 The Sub-committee is recommended to note the report and comment on the presentation.

3. Background

Following the report to the Culture and Leisure Sub Committee of 2 November 2021 in which the following next steps were endorsed: -

- A consultation process to be initiated by the Council with partners across the cultural sector, business and the community, with a view to establishing a cultural compact for North Tyneside;
- A steering group to be initiated to develop the compact as part of the process of developing a Cultural Strategy for the period to 2030, in line with the strategy timescale of Arts Council England.

a consultation strategy has been developed in order to engage those within the cultural sector and beyond in the shaping of a strategy for the Borough.

4. Activity and emerging themes

In conjunction with the Council's Head of Culture, work has been undertaken by Iain Watson OBE (former Director of TWAM) and Catherine Hearne (former CEO Helix Arts) to gain feedback on the key issues for cultural activity as seen by a range of partners from across the Borough, in the light of new developments and new challenges within the sector.

The presentation will provide an indication of themes emerging from the consultation to date and invite Members to comment and contribute to the process.