# A Culture Strategy ... with and for the people of North Tyneside

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## Creatives had conversations in Whitley Bay, North Shields, Wallsend and Longbenton







#### Equal access and confidence



#### Local identity



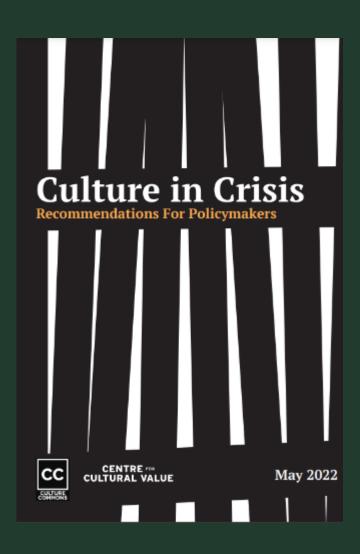
#### Discomfort



#### Invigorating cultural ambition



#### Culture in Crisis



- Improve equality, diversity and inclusion comprehensively
- Provide skills training to employees and management
- Establish "Creatives Connect"
- Culture Forums to be established in LAs and CAs
- "Mission orientated" funding mechanism for culture
- Audience and participant led approach to creative and cultural policy interventions

#### Digital solutions – NT at the forefront?



The impact of digital technology on arts and culture in the UK Research Briefing Published Tuesday, 10 May, 2022

#### The North Tyneside challenges

- Facilitating the development of networks to support and bring together the creative, cultural and heritage communities – with economic, social, health and wellbeing, educational and intrinsic value. Some supporting infrastructure will be required to do this.
- 2. Recognising super-localism for some people cultural engagement may be a gig in their neighbourhood pub, for others it may be traveling to see opera or panto or maybe it's their children's tap dancing lessons?
- 3. Supporting independent creatives and cultural organisations to access funding whilst overall arts engagement is not in the lowest bands across the country (43.07%, national average 44.25%) it's a mixed picture a need to bring investment at that supra-local level.

### What next?

