

STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS

PROFORMA

Cabinet Meeting3rd November 2011

1. Title of Item/Report

Stockton's Major Events Summary 2011 and Preparations for 2012

2. Record of the Decision

Members considered a report relating to the major events that had taken place in Stockton during 2011.

The spring and summer of 2011 saw the expansion and improvement of some of the Council's key culture and leisure events. Cabinet was provided with information and images relating to those events, including the River Rat Race, Triathlon, Cycling Festival, Billingham International Folklore Festival (BIFF) and Stockton International Riverside Festival (SIRF). In addition there was a fundamental change to the Stockton Riverside Fringe which became the Weekender Festival. The Council also maintained a range of popular local events and celebrated a number of significant dates.

With an emphasis on the Stockton International Riverside Festival (SIRF) as its highest profile Festival, members were provided with outcomes and impacts of the 2011 events.

Members noted the success of SIRF and the other events. Consideration was also given to technical, health and safety, marketing, communications and curatorial issues surrounding events.

Cabinet looked at the opportunities and challenges arising from the coincidence of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, the London Olympics, and the 25th anniversary of SIRF in 2012.

RESOLVED that:

1. The success of SIRF and the other signature events in 2011 be noted.
2. Proposals for an enhanced event programme in 2012, associated with the Diamond Jubilee, London 2012 Olympics, and 25th SIRF, be endorsed.

3. Reasons for the Decision

To update Members on the successes and improvements of the major events/festivals in 2011 highlighting, in particular, the achievements of SIRF and support the events' future development.

4. Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

None

5. Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest

None

6. Details of any Dispensations

Not applicable

7. Date and Time by which Call In must be executed

Midnight on Friday 11 November 2011

Proper Officer
07 August 2011