

Adults, Leisure and Culture Select Committee

Review of Preston Hall & Park

Update to Executive Scrutiny Committee – 26 September 2006

Update on Progress (including issues/problems/successes)

The Committee completed collection of oral / written evidence on 17th August 2006, and finalised this aspect of the review with site visits to Dorman and Captain Cook Museums in Middlesbrough on 30th August.

The site visits were followed by a Select Committee meeting at which Members took part in small group brainstorming sessions to explore evidence collected and consider draft findings and recommendations.

The findings and recommendations from this session were compiled by the Chair/Vice-Chair and Scrutiny Officer, and presented at a meeting attended by the following:

Cllr J Fletcher – Chair , ALCS	}	ALCS Representatives
Cllr T Laing – Member, ALCS		

Ann Baxter, Corporate Director, CESC
Sarah Connolly, Scrutiny Officer
Cllr J O'Donnell, Cabinet Member, Arts, Leisure & Culture
Tanya Harrison, Democratic Services Officer
Reuben Kench, Head of Arts, Leisure & Culture
Jamie McCann, Head of Care For Your Area
Neil Schneider – Corporate Director, DANS
Judith Trainer, Scrutiny Team Leader

Members of the Committee represented at this meeting received positive feedback on the draft findings and recommendations from HoS, CD's and the Cabinet Member, who agreed to give their endorsement.

This information was reported back to a full Committee meeting on 14th September 2006.

Timescale for Review

The timescale for the review remains unchanged from the original project plan with the Select Committee agreeing their final report in October with submission to Cabinet on 2 November.