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City Council

**MEETING OF THE HERITAGE CULTURE LEISURE AND TOURISM  
SCRUTINY COMMISSION**

**DATE: TUESDAY, 24 AUGUST 2021**

**TIME: 5:30 pm**

**PLACE: Meeting Room G.01, Ground Floor, City Hall, 115 Charles  
Street, Leicester, LE1 1FZ**

**Members of the Committee**

Councillor Halford (Chair)

Councillor Ali (Vice-Chair)

Councillors Dr Barton, Cole, Dawood, Shelton and Solanki  
(1 unallocated non-grouped place)

Members of the Committee are invited to attend the above meeting to consider  
the items of business listed overleaf.

For Monitoring Officer

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## **PUBLIC SESSION**

### **AGENDA**

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#### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

#### **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members are asked to declare any interests they may have in the business to be discussed.

#### **3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

**[Appendix A](#)**

The minutes of the meeting of the Heritage, Culture, Leisure and Tourism Scrutiny Commission held on 8 June are attached and Members are asked to confirm them as a correct record.

#### **4. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **5. PETITIONS**

The Monitoring Officer to report on the receipt of any petitions submitted in accordance with the Council's procedures.

#### **6. QUESTIONS, REPRESENTATIONS AND STATEMENTS OF CASE**

The Monitoring Officer to report on the receipt of any questions, representations or statement of case submitted in accordance with the Council's procedures.

#### **7. LEISURE CENTRES AND FACILITIES REOPENING UPDATE**

**[Appendix B](#)**

The Director of Public Health submits a presentation on the reopening of Leisure Centres and Facilities.

#### **8. SUMMER IN THE CITY PROGRAMME UPDATE**

**[Appendix C](#)**

The Director of Tourism, Culture, and Inward Investment submits a presentation updating the Commission on the ongoing Summer in the City

programme.

**9. HAYMARKET THEATRE FUTURE USE UPDATE**

**Appendix D**

The Director of Tourism, Culture, and Inward Investment will present a verbal update on the Haymarket Theatre. A press release regarding on this issue is attached.

**10. JEWRY WALL MUSEUM REDEVELOPMENT SITE VISIT FEEDBACK**

The Chair and Members of the Commission will provide verbal feedback on their site visit to see the ongoing redevelopment of the Jewry Wall Museum.

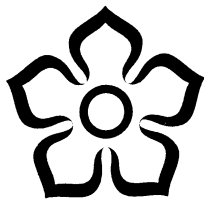
**11. DRAFT WORK PROGRAMME**

**Appendix E**

For Members consideration, the Work Programme for 2021/22 is attached.

**12. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS**





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# Appendix A

Minutes of the Meeting of the  
HERITAGE CULTURE LEISURE AND TOURISM SCRUTINY COMMISSION

Held: TUESDAY, 8 JUNE 2021 at 5:30 pm

P R E S E N T :

Councillor Halford (Chair)  
Councillor Ali (Vice Chair)

Councillor Dr Barton

Councillor Shelton

Councillor Cole

In Attendance

Councillor Piara Singh Clair – Deputy City Mayor, Culture, Leisure, Sport, and  
Regulatory Services

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**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Councillors Dawood and Solanki.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

AGREED:

That the minutes of the Heritage, Culture, Leisure, and Sport  
Scrutiny Commission meeting held on 28 April 2021 be confirmed  
as a correct record.

**4. MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMISSION 2021/22**

RESOLVED:

That the membership of the Heritage, Culture, Leisure and  
Tourism Scrutiny Commission be noted as:

Councillor Halford (Chair)  
Councillor Ali (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Dr Barton  
Councillor Cole  
Councillor Dawood  
Councillor Solanki  
Councillor Shelton

**5. DATES OF COMMISSION MEETINGS 2021/22**

RESOLVED:

That the dates of meetings of the Heritage, Culture, Leisure and Tourism Scrutiny Commission for 2021/22 be noted.

**6. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chair noted her thanks to the Public Health team for their work during the Covid-19 pandemic.

**7. PETITIONS**

The Monitoring Officer reported that no petitions had been received.

**8. QUESTIONS, REPRESENTATIONS, STATEMENTS OF CASE**

A question had been received from Mary Baker which was considered in accordance with the Council's Constitution, Part E Procedure Rule 10.

The Chair invited Mrs Baker to present her questions to the Members of the Commission.

Mrs Baker put her questions to the Members of the Commission as follows:

- Why is Saffron Lane Athletics Stadium being turned into a football ground?
- Why did the council not apply for heritage money?
- Why can't the necessary football pitch be located on Aylestone Park?
- What team wants to be sited at Saffron Lane Athletics Stadium?

Andrew Beddow, Head of Sports, responded that the Saffron Lane Athletics Stadium would remain an athletics-first facility, and that the changes to the facility were being made in consultation with England Athletics. Any in-field sports at the facility would be played during the quiet period for athletics. Funding was coming from the Section 106 obligations and that if further funding was available it would be considered. The Stadium was chosen for in-field sports due to its existing flood lights and grandstands. There had been interest from teams regarding being sited at the facility.

Mrs Baker expressed further concerns that football being played at the stadium would harm the field for athletic use. Councillor Clair, Deputy City Mayor for Culture, Leisure, Sport, and Regulatory Services, responded by further clarifying that field sports would not be played on the ground during the



athletics season, and that current users of the facility would be fully consulted.

In response to concerns raised by Councillor Shelton that he, as Ward Councillor for the area, had not been consulted about the changes, Councillor Clair stated that emails had been sent regarding the changes, and that Councillor Cutkelvin, the other Ward Councillor for the area, had been briefed.

## **9. HERITAGE, CULTURE, LEISURE AND TOURISM PORTFOLIO OVERVIEW**

The Head of Sports and the Director of Tourism, Culture, and Inward Investment each presented an overview of activities from their service areas relevant to the Heritage, Culture, Leisure and Tourism Scrutiny Commission.

Members were asked to note the presentations which would help them to set the Commission's work programme for the forthcoming year.

In response to Member's questions it was noted that:

- New Parks Leisure Centre was currently closed due to staff being used for the testing and vaccinations efforts. The aim was to reopen the Centre in September.
- Equipment from the gym at New Parks Leisure Centre had been moved to sports halls.
- Large-scale events were not possible at the moment but there were ambitions to hold some in the later months.
- Some examples of support for race equality from the TCI department were the securing of a £10k Government grant for activities related to the Windrush Generation. This would enable school resources to be developed together with new interpretation panels for the African Caribbean Centre, the new Leicester Stories Gallery, and external exhibitions on issues such as the expulsion of South Asians from Uganda. With regards to the learning programme, this had been challenging with museums closed due to covid-19. The learning offer has been reviewed and new learning resources are being developed. School assemblies to promote this work were beginning taking place.

## **10. SPORTS SERVICES COVID-19 UPDATE**

The Head of Sports provided an update to the Commission on the impact of the Covid 19 pandemic on Sports Services. It was noted that:

- The position of Sports Services had largely remained the same since the last meeting of the Commission.
- Health and Fitness facilities had been positive in attracting customers back.
- The aim was to reopen the remaining closed facilities other than New Parks Leisure Centre on 21 June in line with the proposed lifting of Covid restrictions. Social restrictions would remain in place at the opened facilities.

- Existing memberships were frozen and would restart once facilities reopened.
- Advanced booking for gym sessions was still required, once social distancing was no longer required then booking wouldn't be required.

## **11. TOURISM, CULTURE, AND INWARD INVEST SERVICES COVID-19 UPDATE**

The Director of Tourism, Culture, and Inward Investment Services provided an update on the impact of the Covid 19 pandemic on TCI Services. It was noted that:

- Pending the Government's decision on the proposed 21 June date for lifting restrictions, museums in the city would reopen.
- Most shows originally scheduled for summer at De Montfort Hall had been moved to autumn. If social distancing measures had to remain in place after 21 June, then the gigs scheduled for summer would likely also have to be rescheduled.
- De Montfort Hall would be unlikely to host indoor shows until September.

## **12. LEICESTER STORIES GALLERY PRESENTATION**

The Director of Tourism, Culture, and Inward Investment submitted a presentation on the proposed Leicester Stories Gallery.

The Deputy City Mayor, Culture, Leisure, Sport, and Regulatory Services introduced the item. Noting that the new Community Gallery would be built in an existing office and library space. The aim of the Gallery was to celebrate Leicester's diverse communities, and the aim was to open the Gallery in April 2022.

Clare Hudson, Project Manager for Tourism, Culture, and Inward Investment, gave a presentation on the proposals, it was noted that:

- The total budget for the development would be £350,000, funded by Arts Council England's NPO programme.
- The stories focused on would be from the 1950s onwards.
- The co-production process included focus groups representative of the demographics of Leicester. Some in the process would become Leicester Voices, helping curate content for the exhibition.
- A youth focus group would help create photography and imagery for the exhibition.
- A film would be created about a Leicester house through the generations, to be displayed in the exhibitions. The process to find a film maker for this was ongoing.
- A poet had been commissioned to write a poem to be displayed in the exhibition.
- The People's Space would be a temporary exhibition area, which would be replenished yearly.

- There would be an activity space with seating and tables.
- The aim was for the co-production process to work with individuals rather than organisations, and for the Council to be facilitators.
- Work was ongoing to seek members of the focus group from Somali and Chinese backgrounds.
- Community organisations had been approached with regards to having representation on the focus group.

Members of the Commission suggested that Ward Councillors be contacted to make links with any community organisations that could be helpful.

Members of the Commission suggested that an effort should be made to make sure a wide diversity of communities in the city were represented.

AGREED:

That:

1. The Commission supported the plans for the Leicester Stories Gallery.
2. The Commission recommended that a wide range of communities be consulted.
3. The Commission requested to receive updates on the project.

### **13. ROCKET ROUND LEICESTER 2021 PRESENTATION**

The Director of Tourism, Culture, and Inward Investment submitted a presentation on the proposed Rocket Round Leicester programme. It was noted that this was a part of the wider effort to animate the city centre. The programme would be a ten-week trail from July to September. The aim was to connect businesses and artists to the community throughout the city.

Chris Hackett, Deputy Festival and Events Manager, presented the item. It was noted that:

- The programme would involve forty uniquely painted rocket sculptures being placed around the city to create a free interactive art trail. These rockets would be designed exclusively for Leicester.
- Themed activities would accompany the trail.
- It was hoped that the programme would create revenue and grow tourism in city, as part of the post-pandemic recovery.
- It was hoped that the programme would raise the profile of the Council and give direct access to new audiences.
- 38 schools and educational establishments would take part in the Junior Jet programme,
- Sponsorships would be available for the programme, with the Council logo being featured across the materials for the programme.
- The programme was being hosted by Wild in Arts, a national events company.

- The programme app would showcase experiences in the city centre and have special offers. The app would also record engagement with the programme.
- The programme events would all be free and would include activities such as walks, with themes such as health and wellbeing.

AGREED:

That:

1. The Commission requested that further updates be provided on this programme at future meetings of the Commission.

#### **14. WORK PROGRAMME**

The Chair noted that the Work Programme was in-progress, and asked that if Members of the Commission had any ideas for future items, that they contact the Chair or the Scrutiny Policy Officer to let them know.

#### **15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 7.08pm.

# Leisure Centres & Facilities: Re-Opening Update

August 2021

## Re-Opening Update

# Phased Opening

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| Dates                      | Activity   | Centres & Facilities Reopen   |
|----------------------------|--|---|
| W/C 29 March               | Outdoor Sport – Covid Secure Guidance                    | HHGC, SLAS, 3g facilities, Victoria Park Tennis, Organised outdoor sport  |
| W/C 12 <sup>th</sup> April | Gym Only – Limited Provision                             | ALC, BLC, CSSC (Gym Only)   |
| W/C 3 <sup>rd</sup> May    | Gym – Limited Provision<br>Swimming Lessons (from 3 May) | ALC, BLC, CSSC (Gym, Swim Lessons)<br>ELC, LLLC, SSSC (Swimming Lessons Only)<br>Temporary relocation NPLC swim lessons to BLC / LLLC |
| W/C 21 <sup>st</sup> June  | Full Activity<br>Covid Secure Restrictions               | ALC, BLC, CSSC, ELC, SSSC (Full facilities open)<br>LLLC (Climbing Closed)<br>NPLC (Closed)   |
| W/C 12 <sup>th</sup> July  | Full Activity<br>70% Capacity                            | ALC, BLC, CSSC, ELC, SSSC (Full facilities open)<br>LLLC (Climbing Closed)<br>NPLC (Reduced summer swimming operation only)           |
| Mid-September              | Full Activity & Capacity                                 | Full facilities open  |

## Impact on Active Leicester Members

|   | Mar-20         | Oct-20            | Dec-20            | Feb-21            | May-21         | Jun-21         | July-21        | Aug-21         |
|---|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
|   | (pre-lockdown) | Impact lockdown 1 | Impact lockdown 2 | Impact lockdown 3 | Covid Recovery | Covid Recovery | Covid Recovery | Covid Recovery |
| ☉ <b>H&amp;F Member (DD &amp; Annual)</b> | 9,008          | 6,133             | 6,014             | 5,601             | 6,224          | 6,259          | 7,144          | 8,118          |
| <b>Lean to Swim (DD &amp; Annual)</b>     | 6,326          | 4,310             | 3,677             | 3,674             | 3,563          | 3,795          | 4,193          | 4,482          |
| <b>Golf (DD/Annual)</b>                   | 274            | 358               | 354               | 351               | 402            | 432            | 433            | 452            |

### **Sales & Marketing:**

- Citywide re-opening sales promotion
- Evington LC opening offer & open weekend

### **Gradual lifting restrictions:**

- 70% capacity gym, pools & classes
- Advance booking removed, dry-side changing open
- Reduced programmes as we build capacity

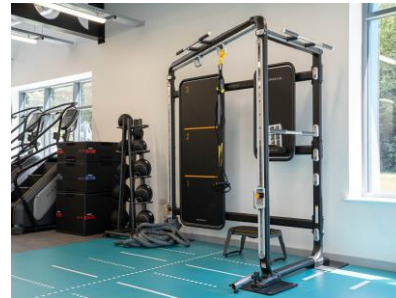
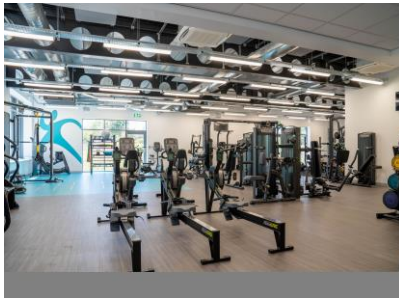
### **Challenges:**

- Leisure industry recruitment: Lifeguards, Swim Teacher, Group Exercise



# Recovery Evington Gym

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Opened June 2021



Thank you and Questions



# Summer In The City

A welcome back to Leicester Campaign



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Appendix C

Week 4 Update 2021 Festivals & Events







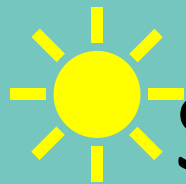
# Summer in the City

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The Summer in the City programme was intended to encourage families back into the city centre to enjoy a wide range of free family fun.

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A grant of £115,000 was approved through the Covid recovery funds to support a 6 week programme of Covid safe events throughout the City centre during the summer.



# Summer in the City Programme

Currently as dated 12<sup>th</sup> August 2021 statistics based on the 6 weeks only

- 52 days of programming
- 36 individual activities / events
- 519 Combined activity days
- 50 Local businesses involved
- 55 sites throughout the city
- 65,853\* Participants
- 16,700\* Audience members

\*estimated



# Basketball England's Nation Tour

Saturday 10 July saw Basketball England and Hype clothing brand launch their national tour in Leicester's Humberstone Gate in line with the release of Space Jam 2.

- 3 x Youth tournaments U12, U14, U16
- 🌀 Professional Freestyle shows
- Open Court for public sessions
- Celebrity 3 x 3 match
- UK Dunk champion show

100's of free clothing, tickets & prizes were given away to the public throughout the day

Estimated physical audience 8,000 throughout the day



# Cosmopolitan Voices In The City

Cosmopolitan Arts took over an empty shop on Humberstone Gate between Wednesday 14 - Sunday 18 July

↳ Showcasing performance art with an immersive digital art project which used the latest 3D sound and film technology to explore issues of heritage and racism.

The project used an empty unit on Humberstone Gate.

Estimated physical audience 6,000





# Rocket Round Leicester

The 40 rockets were installed in outdoor locations throughout the city on Sunday 18 July

Also 39 Junior jets designed by schools are On display 19 hosted within LCC public buildings.

- Abbey Pumping Station
- Guildhall
- Leicester Museum & Art Gallery
- Newarke Houses Museum
- Belgrave Library
- King Richard III Visitor Centre

4 weeks into the trail 45,754 sculptures have been unlocked and over 27,500 rewards have been collected by the public.

It is estimated the number of participants is at least 5 x higher than the app statistics reveal.







# Beach In The City

Humberstone Gate beach open on Monday 19 July

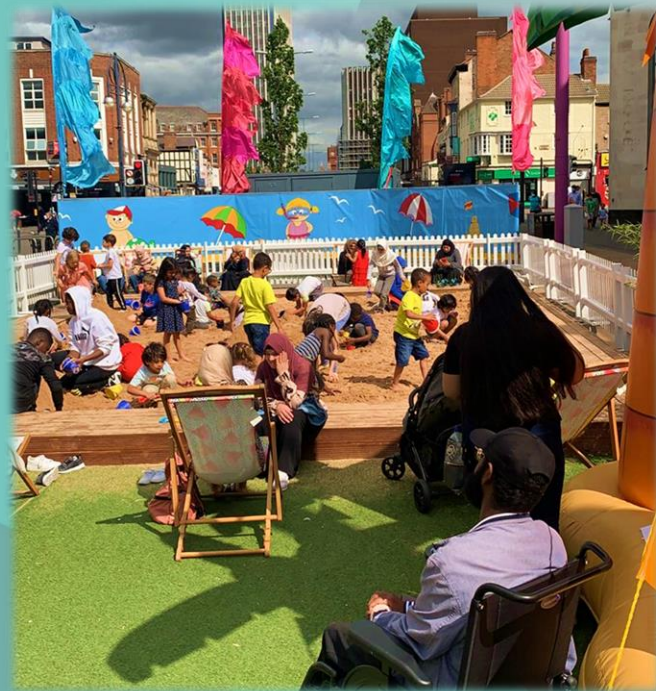
The beach is free to use and accessible for people of all ages.

19 It is securely fenced, includes 20 deck chairs, a waiting area and also hosts a retro ice cream van.

Currently set to accept 40 people at a time so we can celebrate summer safely.

Visitor numbers in week 4 were at 11,250

This event was extended for a further 2 weeks until 22<sup>nd</sup> August.





# Theatre In The City

The Fun Circus has set up every Thursday at  
Town Hall Square from 12pm – 4pm

Activities are open to the public throughout  
the day with different themes each week

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- The Bad Guys Circus 22nd July
- Alice's Adventures Circus 29th July
- Cosmic Wonders Circus 5th Aug
- Medieval Madness Circus 12th Aug
- Fitness Disco Circus 19th Aug
- Ugly Bugs Ball Circus 26th Aug





# Street entertainment In The City

Roaming characters including stilt walkers and performers were in the city centre interacting with the public every Tuesday at 1pm, 2.30pm & 4pm

- 21 • Cavemen 20th July
- Pirates 27th July
- Western 3rd Aug
- Cavemen 10th Aug
- Pirates 17th Aug
- Western 24th Aug
- Cavemen 31st Aug







# Dine In The Square

The outdoor seating area on Green Dragon Square has been in place since 12 May and will stay open until September.

Open 7 days a week.

|               |           |
|---------------|-----------|
| 22 Mon & Tues | 11 – 4pm  |
| Wed - Sat     | 11 – 10pm |
| Sun           | 10 – 7pm  |

The area is a safe space for people to dine alfresco and order from local businesses in the city

Users figures are currently at 5,500





# Luminarium In The City

The Architects of Air - Luminarium opened to the public on Tuesday 20 July at Green Dragon Square.

It filled the city centre space with colour, shapes and winding tunnels with this giant inflatable maze.

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It was a sculpture people could enter to encounter a different perspective of art and light.

The structure was accessible to all and had bookable quiet session for people with sensory and accessibility needs.

Participation: 5,063





# Libraries In The City

Among Friends theatre show as part of Leicester libraries partnership with Spark Arts took place on Town Hall Square on Saturday August 7

This was a ticketed event that accommodated 15 families per show.

The Book Bus set up on Humberstone Gate every Thursday from 10am-12pm for pop up activities and give away crafts to passing shoppers.





# Music In The City

## Distant Drums

A thought-provoking performance that charts the story of sound system culture and its importance to racial equality in four distinct tracks.

Whispered Tales has collaborated with choreographer Donald Edwards to develop Distant Drums into a street arts performance.

14 August Humberstone Gate

Performances at 1pm and a 4.30pm







# Curve on the Square

The Curves outdoor stage brings theatre and live music to the streets in Orton Square's Cultural Quarter throughout August.

Friday between 6pm and 9pm  
Music, dance and spoken word.

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Saturdays, families are invited to join for a morning of fun from 10am – 12 noon,  
before an afternoon programme for all ages  
between 2pm and 4pm, including puppetry, musical  
theatre and storytelling.

The an evening bill from 6pm – 8pm, bursting with even  
more brilliant performances from DJs, musicians, dancers  
and more.







# The Fun Café

Arts, crafts and theatre performances to feed families creativity.

We were given an empty unit at the Highcross Shopping Centre to facilitate.

27 The event ran 5 days a week for 3 weeks from 3 - 21 August, every Tuesday to Saturday 10am - 4pm.

The sessions were free but booking was recommended, walk ups were welcomed when sessions were not full.

75% of those that booked online did show up  
With 19 tables filled through walk ups.





# Urban Foxes In The City

In partnership with LCFC we ran a program of pop up skateboarding and parkour drop in sessions

for 8 - 18yrs. As part of their Urban Foxes project.

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Professionally run classes throughout with skate boards, pads and helmets provided.

9 - 12 August & 18 - 19 August

10:30am – 3:30pm

This was the first event to be activated on New Walk Place site.





# Roller Skating Disco In The City

A 10m x 20m covered roller skating rink was built on Jubilee Square and ran for 2 weeks from 16 - 28 August.

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Entry is free and on a walk up basis.  
Skate are provided in various sizes.

Opening time are 10am – 6pm.





# Health & Wellbeing In the City

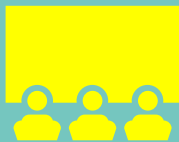
Working with external and internal departments to pull in activations that have free content for the public with a Health & Wellbeing message and to introduce pop up lunch time fitness sessions at Town Hall Square and Jubilee Square.

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- A selection of pop up stands in the city
  - A 1 day activation of Health & Wellbeing Activities

Currently working with

- Leicester Museums and Galleries
- Z-fitness
- The Space Centre
- Living Well Health Club
- Enter Edam





# Indian Summer

Working with Inspirate to bring back their outdoor cinema

13 - 14 August 2021 on Green Dragon Square

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- 2pm The Jungle book
- 6pm Dilwale Dulhania Le Jayenge

Music and dance entertainment prior to the shows

Seating only is ticketed £3.50 to maintain safe numbers







# Bank Holiday Weekend In The City

- City festival is a two day street art festival, on the Saturday and Sunday of the August bank holiday, as a finale for the six week programme.
- 32 • The programme will consist of marching brass, samba and big bands, along with a mix of local and nationally recognised roaming street art.
- The focus of the festival is to take the art to the public, so whether somebody is walking between shops, or having lunch outside a restaurant, art will be all around them.





# Bank Holiday Weekend In The City

**Leicester's first and only craft beer and music festival**

**Brew Beat Beer Festival Free entry**

- Brew Beat will have a selection of over 100 curated beers as well as over 40 live musicians and DJs taking to Green Dragon Square.
- In celebration of Brew Beat, pubs and bars across the city centre they will be serving up their very own craft beer festival themed refreshments. With cocktails, mocktails and even more of the finest craft beers.





# Summer in the City Budget


Unexpected increases to budget

- Casual rates of pay have increased with HR
- Security on the smaller activations at Town Hall are needed
- Additional money for branding on infrastructure and shop
- We are on target with budget spend and additional will be used from the contingency allocated in the original budget.

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| Detail                   | Expenditure |
|--------------------------|-------------|
| Equipment purchases      | £5000.00    |
| Entertainment & staffing | £65,000.00  |
| Equipment lease          | £30,000.00  |
| Marketing & design       | £10,000.00  |
| Contingency              | £5000.00    |
| Total                    | £115,000.00 |





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## Council explores potential uses of Haymarket Theatre

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POTENTIAL future uses for Leicester's Haymarket Theatre are being explored by the city council.

The council is giving organisations the chance to set out their proposed uses for the 902-seat theatre, which has been closed since the previous operator went into administration last May.

The council wants to gather information that will enable it to compare available options, which can then be used to inform the next steps to be taken.

This follows consultation with the city's cultural organisations, carried out in partnership with Arts Council England, and significant local interest in reopening the theatre.






Cllr Piara Singh-Clair, deputy city mayor for culture, leisure and sport, said: "We want the Haymarket Theatre to be part of the city's future, and remain confident of finding a way to successfully reopen and operate the venue sustainably.

"We're completely open to what any future use might be, and have already had some interesting ideas. We want to give any interested party a fair and equal opportunity to express their view, so would love to hear from organisations in any field that feel they could operate it viably."

Anyone interested is being asked to complete a questionnaire setting out their suggested uses, which can be found [here](#).

The deadline for completed questionnaires is 18 August.

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| Meeting date                  | Meeting items  | Actions Arising | Progress |
|-------------------------------|--|-----------------|----------|
| 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2021     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Overview of HCLT services</b></li> <li>• <b>Covid-19 update</b> – verbal update on position</li> <li>• <b>New Leicester Stories Gallery: Leicester Museum development plans</b> – presentation (Mike / Jo)</li> <li>• <b>Loros Rocket Around Leicester installations: Summer in the City</b> – presentation (Mike / Jo)</li> <li>• <b>Work Programme 2021/22</b> work in progress for members consideration</li> </ul> |                 |          |
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| 24 <sup>th</sup> August 2021  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recovery of Leisure Centres.</li> <li>• Feedback from Jewry Wall Development – following members site visit</li> <li>• Summer in the City programme</li> <li>• Haymarket Theatre consultation - smt exercise update</li> </ul>  |                 |          |
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| 12 <sup>th</sup> October 2021 |  | .               |          |

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|                               |  |  |  |
| 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2021     |  |  |  |
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| 11 <sup>th</sup> January 2022 |  |  |  |
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| 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2022    |  |  |  |

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| FORWARD PLAN / SUGGESTED ITEMS   |   |               |
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| Topic  | Detail  | Proposed Date |
| <b>Forward Plan of key decisions</b>   | Commission members to be kept updated on items impacting on HCLS services areas. Watching brief, as required                    | Ongoing       |
| <b>Budget reviews and Annual budget</b>  | Commission members to be kept updated on budget impacts on HCLS service areas. Watching brief, as required.                     | Ongoing       |
| <b>Consultations</b>   | Commission members to contribute to planned and live consultations impacting on HCLS service areas. Watching brief, as required | Ongoing       |
| <b>Work programme future items:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Football Investment Strategy update (suggested 12<sup>th</sup> October meeting)</li> <li>Tourism Action Plan update.</li> <li>Haymarket Theatre consultation smt exercise (verbal update 24<sup>th</sup> August)</li> <li>Festivals and Events plans</li> </ul> |   |               |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Leicester Cathedral Investment</li><li>Phoenix Arts Centre Investment</li><li>Sports for Women in the City (suggested 30 Nov / 11 Jan meeting)</li></ul> |        |               |

