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City Council

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

DATE: TUESDAY, 9 AUGUST 2022

TIME: 5:30 pm

**PLACE: Meeting Room G.02, Ground Floor, City Hall, 115 Charles
Street, Leicester, LE1 1FZ**

Members of the Committee

Councillor Halford (Chair)

Councillor Bajaj (Vice-Chair)

Councillors Dr Barton, Broadwell, Dawood, March and Shelton
(1 unallocated Labour 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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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 7 June 2022 are attached and Members will be asked to confirm them as a correct record.

4. PETITIONS

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

5. 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.

6. CHAIRS ANNOUNCEMENTS

7. SWIM LEICESTER PROGRESS UPDATE

The Director of Delivery, Communications and Political Governance to provide a presentation update on Swim Leicester.

8. ENCOURAGING WOMEN INTO SPORTS AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES IN LEICESTER - TASK GROUP UPDATE

The Chair to provide a verbal update on the task group review: Encouraging

women into Sports and Physical Activities in Leicester.

9. JEWRY WALL - ROMAN LEICESTER UPDATE **Appendix B**

The Director of Tourism, Culture and Inward Investment to provide a presentation update on the Jewry Wall, Roman Leicester project.

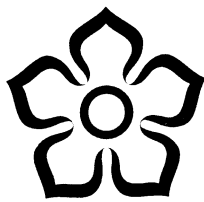
10. UGANDAN ASIANS 50 YEARS UPDATE **Appendix C**

The Director of Tourism, Culture and Inward Investment to provide a presentation update on the Ugandan Asians 50th year anniversary.

11. WORK PROGRAMME **Appendix D**

Members will be asked to consider the Work Programme for 2022/23 and to suggest possible items for future meetings.

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, 7 JUNE 2022 at 5:30 pm

P R E S E N T :

Councillor Halford (Chair)
Councillor Bajaj (Vice-Chair)
Councillor March

Also Present:

Councillor Clair – Deputy City Mayor for Culture, Leisure and Regulatory Services

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35. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Barton, Councillor Dawood and Councillor Shelton.

It was confirmed that the meeting was quorate.

The Chair noted that due to time constraints and low number of committee members present, the presentations/reports of substantive items on the agenda would be taken as read and the progress straight into discussion.

36. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

There were no declarations of interest.

37. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Members were asked to confirm that the minutes of the meeting of the Heritage, Culture, Leisure and Tourism Scrutiny Commission held on 1 March 2022 were a correct record.

AGREED:

That the minutes from the Commission meeting held on 1 March 2022 be confirmed as a correct record.

38. TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR SCRUTINY COMMISSIONS

Members were asked to note the Terms of Reference for Scrutiny Commissions as set out in the Council's Constitution.

AGREED:

That the Terms of Reference be noted.

39. MEMBERSHIP OF THE SCRUTINY COMMISSION FOR 2022/23

Members were asked to note the membership of the Heritage, Culture, Leisure and Tourism Scrutiny Commission for the new municipal year 2022/23.

AGREED:

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

40. DATES OF MEETINGS OF THE SCRUTINY COMMISSION FOR 2022/23

Members were asked to note the dates of meetings of the Heritage, Culture, Leisure and Tourism Scrutiny Commission for 2022/23.

AGREED:

That the dates of the meetings for the Heritage, Culture, Leisure and Tourism Scrutiny Commission for 2022/23 be noted.

41. CHAIRS ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair commended the staff for the hard work and success of the Riverside Festival.

42. PETITIONS

The Monitoring Officer reported that no petitions had been received.

43. QUESTIONS, REPRESENTATIONS AND STATEMENTS OF CASE

The Monitoring Officer reported that no questions, representations or statements of case had been received.

44. CULTURAL AMBITION FUND OVERVIEW 2021/22

The Director of Tourism, Culture and Inward Investment submitted a presentation on the overview of the use of the Cultural Ambition Fund in 2021/22.

Councillor Clair, Deputy City Mayor for Culture, Leisure and Regulatory Services and The Director of Tourism, Culture and Inward Investment, Mike Dalzell, were present to answer questions put forward by the Commission.

It was clarified that leverage in the context of project leverage, referred to all support, financial and otherwise, given to groups that applied for the Cultural Ambition Fund. Financially, there was a total of £14k available in the fund, with a maximum of £3k available to individual groups that applied.

It was noted that the Cultural Ambition fund had successfully engaged with and supported new groups and start-ups in the 2021/22 municipal year, which allowed the fund to help the smaller groups most in need. Successful groups that had also applied for Arts Council funding were assisted with their application for more funding.

In relation to the determination and allocation of funds and collection of data of those decisions, it was advised that group applicants were proactively assisted by the Arts Advisory and Grants Officer to tailor their applications according to what each group needed from the Cultural Ambition Fund. Each application was then given leverage depending on what was requested, although funding support wasn't guaranteed, and each application went through a rigorous assessment process.

In terms of repeat funding for successful groups, it was noted that groups couldn't request funding the year after a successful application.

Members queried whether more funding would be available in the coming years and were informed that there was an aim to increase the total amount of the Cultural Ambition Fund in consecutive years.

AGREED:

That the Commission be kept up to date on the success and funding of Arts, Heritage and Cultural groups and events in the city.

45. LEICESTER STORIES GALLERY PRESENTATION

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

Members welcomed the presentation and commended the Leicester Stories Gallery staff for a successful opening and exhibition.

AGREED:

That the Leicester Stories Gallery presentation be noted.

46. ACTIVE LEICESTER STRATEGY UPDATE

The Director of Public Health submitted a presentation on the progression of the Active Leicester Strategy in the city.

Andrew Beddow, Head of Sports, and Victoria Ball, Sport & Active Recreation Manager, were present to answer questions put forward by the Commission.

Members expressed concern about the success and delivery of the Active Leicester strategy in 2021/22. It was noted that due to the impact of Covid-19, the city population were 6% more inactive in comparison to pre-pandemic rates and a notable impact was seen in children and young people, alongside an increase in obesity levels. Effort was now being placed on developing the new Active Leicester strategy and taking a more focused approach to areas and residents most in need, while continuing to support a balanced, universal provision of sport and fitness across the city.

Members questioned the impact of the pandemic on women in caring roles and the health challenges women faced as a result and whether the impact of women prioritising responsibilities were acknowledged in researched health statistics. It was noted that evidence from Sports England had acknowledged the challenges faced by women in balancing a personal, family and active life.

The Chair referred to the recent task group review that had been looking at women's participation in physical activity and sport across the city and suggested the recommendations from that work be fed into the new strategy in due course.

AGREED:

1. That the Women's Participation in Physical Activity and Sport in the City Task Group review work be acknowledged and to feed into the new strategy.
2. That a report detailing the developmental statistics of the previous Active Leicester strategy be presented to the Commission
3. That the new Active Leicester strategy be brought to the Commission upon draft completion for consideration.

47. SPORTS CAPITAL PROGRAMME

The Director of Public Health submitted a report on Phase 2 of the Sports Capital Programme.

Andrew Beddow, Head of Sports, was present to answer questions put forward by the Commission.

It was noted that there was potential to consider further improvements where there was a need.

Members discussed the presentation which included the following points:

- Phases 1 and 2 had shown evidence of demand to support an increase access of health and fitness facilities.
- There was potential to consider further improvements to city leisure centres where there was a need.
- In comparison to the 3.5k membership rates for City leisure centres in 2017, rates had now increased to 10k across the city.
- During development, additional funds had been secured to address concerns about environmental health and were combined with the capital funding available to ensure that the environment was at the forefront during development. All facilities were fitted with solar panels and energy saving lighting.
- Due to the age of some of the buildings in the programme, the buildings were inefficient in comparison to newly built leisure spaces. The Council was working with building services to increase their efficiency.
- The cost of membership for leisure centres were lower for those on low income, government benefits or who were students.

Concerns were expressed about the impact of the current rising costs across the economy on the running of the leisure facilities, and noted that budget forecasting had taken place, which suggested an extra £300-350k increase in costs were projected in energy consumption. Overall, the situation was difficult to assess but would be explored further in the ongoing year.

AGREED:

That the Commission receive an update on the Sports Capital Programme in six months' time.

48. UPDATE ON TASK GROUP REVIEW

The Chair provided a verbal update on the work of the Task Group Review, 'Women's Participation in Physical Activity and Sport in the City'.

It was noted that the work of the Task Group had made good progress. Several evidence gathering sessions had taken place over the last few months and further sessions were planned. A soft deadline of August / September was agreed for the final report, which would include the task group findings and recommendations.

Members of the Commission were invited to participate in the task group, and directed to contact Scrutiny Policy Officer, Anita Patel.

AGREED:

That the verbal update be noted.

49. WORK PROGRAMME PLANNING 2022/23

Members were asked to consider the Work Programme for 2022/23 and to

suggest possible items for future meetings.

AGREED:

That the Work Programme be noted.

50. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 6:15pm.

Jewry Wall Museum

Development Update August 2022

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Project Summary

- Major building refurbishment
- New walkway access from St Nicholas Circle
- Multi-media interpretation and unique Roman objects in the exhibition
- New shop, café, meeting and learning rooms



Development Programme

- 3 Phases:
 - Phase 1 - External building works & strip out
 - Phase 2 - Internal fit out
 - Phase 3 - Exhibition and museum fit out



Phase 1 Progress

- Internal strip out complete
- Preparation for install of new lift and stairs and external walkway
- Delays due to contractor going into administration
- ¹Works restarted on roof and tender process for contractor to complete Phase 1 works in progress



Phase 1 Progress



Phase 1 Progress

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Phase 2 (Internal Fit Out) Progress

- Procurement exercise undertaken
- Contract about to be signed with successful supplier
- ➡ Timetable to be finalised following on from completion of Phase 1 procurement exercise.

Phase 3 (Exhibition Fit Out) Progress

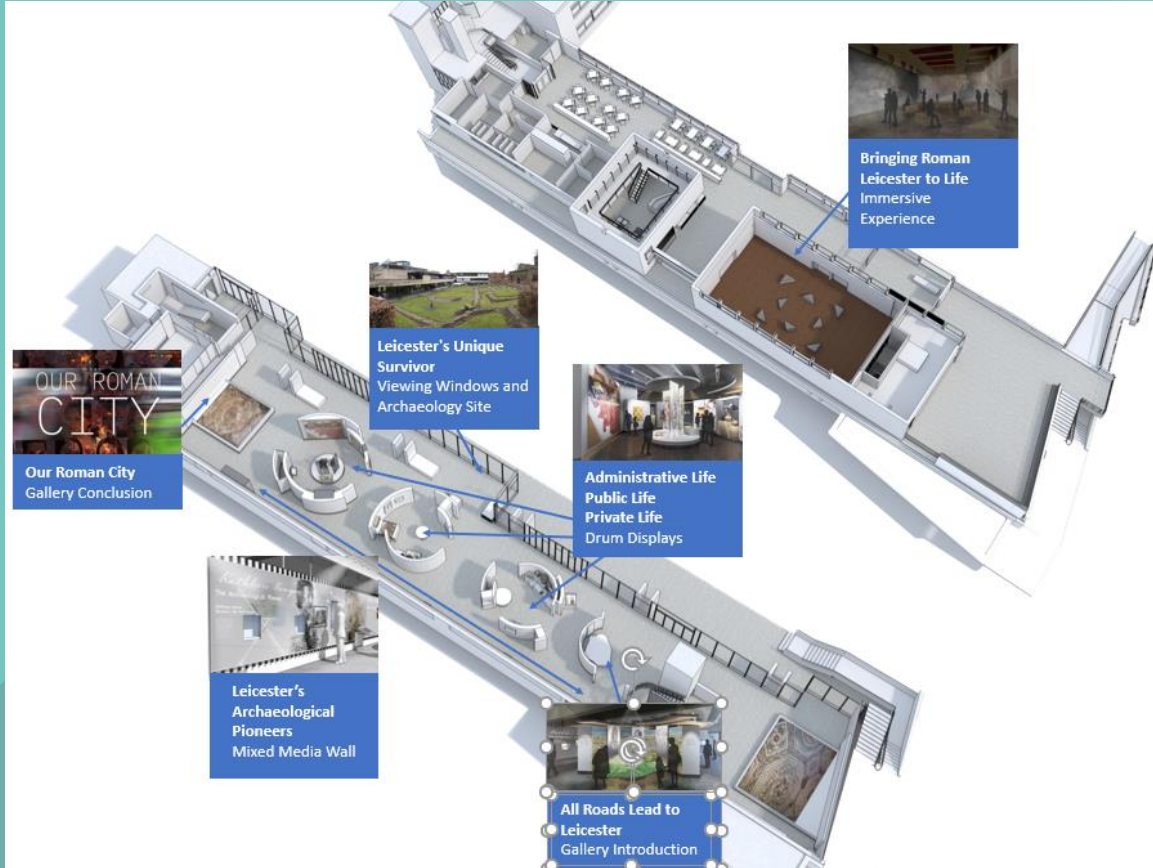
- Haley Sharpe Design – exhibition design
- Elmwood Projects – exhibition fitout
- AV contract procurement exercise in progress

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Phase 3 Overview

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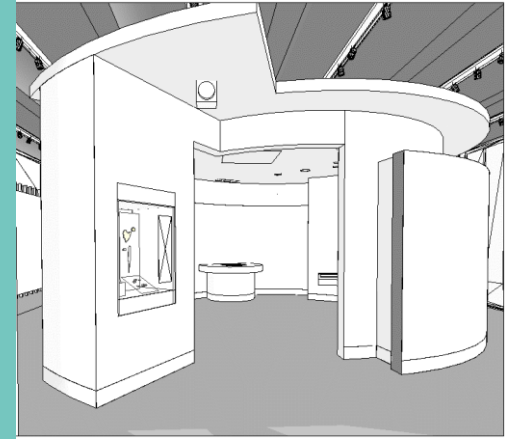
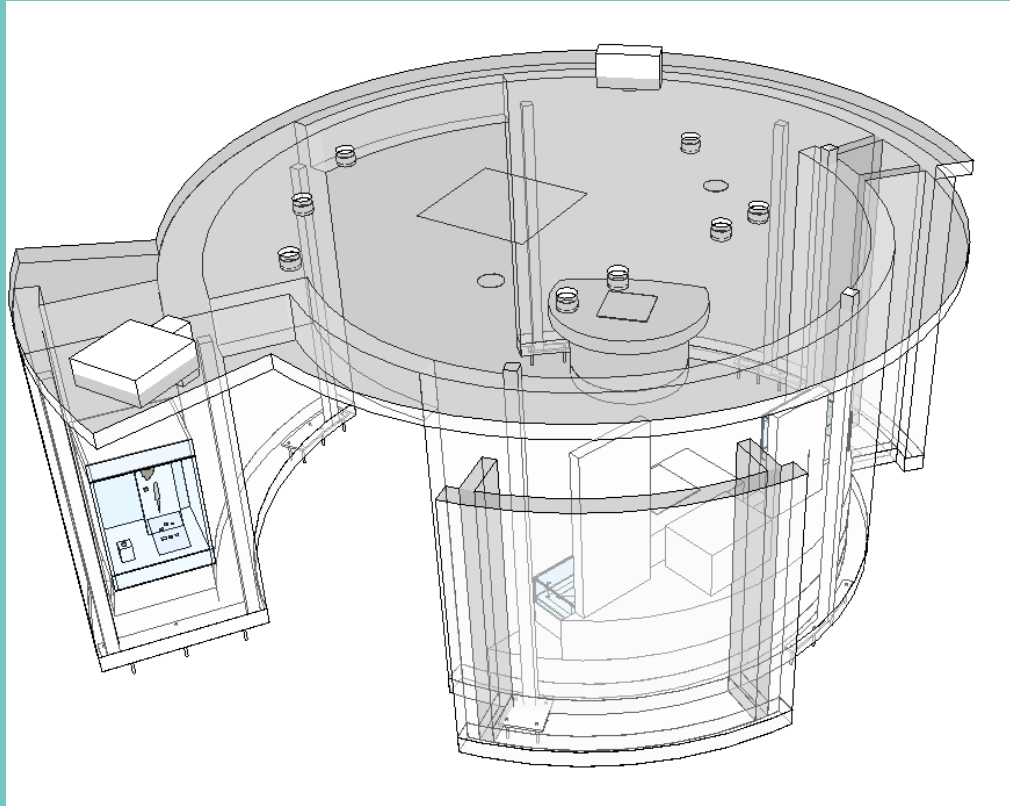
Phase 3 (Exhibition Fit Out) Progress

- Exhibition construction in progress



Phase 3 Drum Design

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Phase 3 Graphics

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Phase 3 Graphics

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Our Roman City

- Four community engagement projects
- Leicester residents discovering more about the Roman city and its legacy
- Footage of projects feeds into final exhibition film



Our Roman City Projects

- *Ancient Objects, New Stories* with University of Leicester, Uplands Juniors, Brooke Mead Academy completed
- 21 Other projects in development with local partners
- Topics might include Roman diversity, food, roads, buildings, language

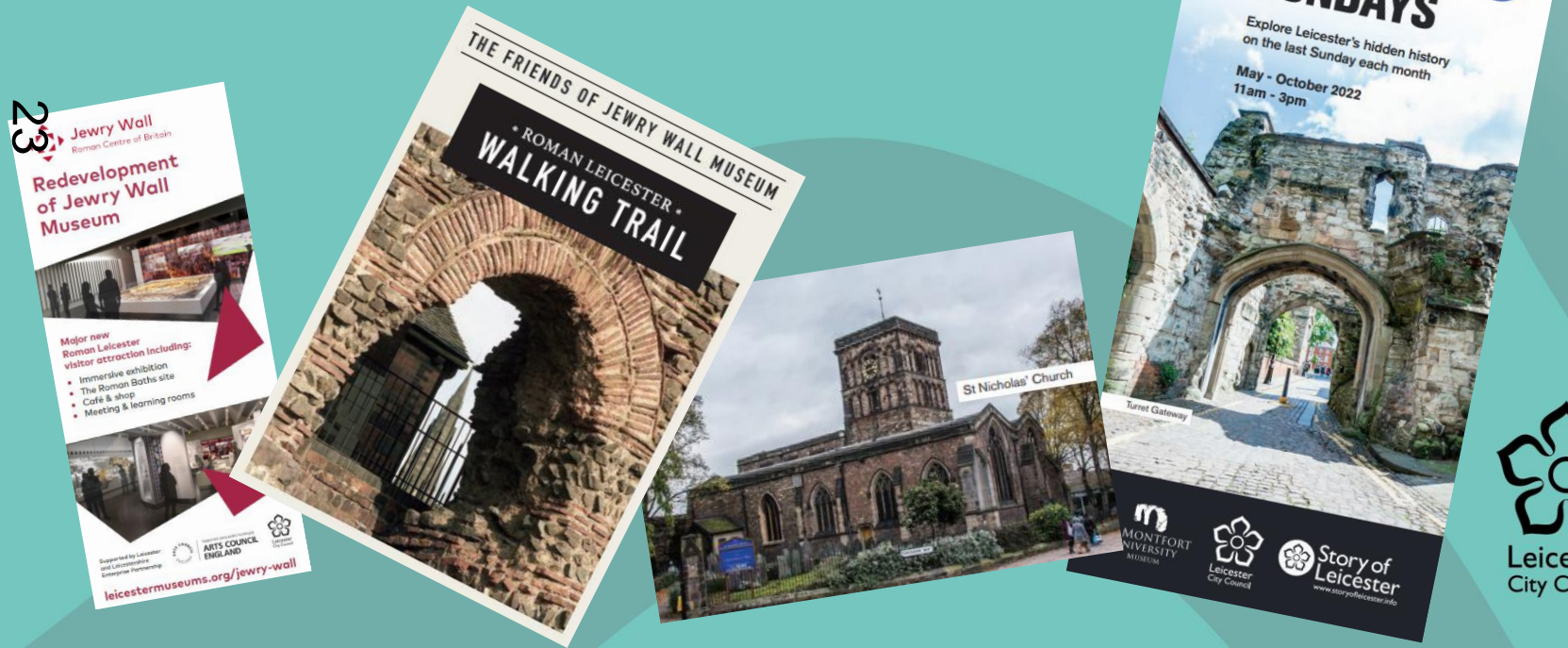


Phase 3 Activities

- Collections preparation
- Learning/Room hire spaces fit out
- Learning session development
- Marketing – website development
- Retail
- Café
- Offices
- IT

Friends of Jewry Wall

- Ongoing communications with the Friends
- Awareness raising – Heritage Sundays



Completion Programme

- Roof works completion – July 22
- Phase 1 shell completion – April 23
- Phase 2 internal building fit out completion –
24 February 24
- Phase 3 exhibition display and museum fit out
completion – Summer 24

Ugandan Asian 50th Anniversary Public Artwork

The 50th anniversary of Ugandan Asian families arriving in Leicester falls in 2022 and Leicester City Council is marking this anniversary with a programme of activity, including a public artwork commission.



The Art Commission

Leicester City Council is funding and commissioning an artist to develop a permanent commemorative sculptural three-dimensional artwork which will provide a legacy for the 50th Anniversary of Ugandan Asian migration to Leicester

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The Ugandan Asian 50th Anniversary (UA50) commission will be designed in acknowledgement and recognition of over 20,000 displaced Ugandan Asians who settled in Leicester between 1968 and 1978



Location



The sculpture will be sited on the green space and/or central pathway, on Belgrave Circle Leicester



Vision

- To provide a permanent sculpture or artwork to illustrate Leicester's proud history of welcoming refugees, particularly marking the arrival of Ugandan Asians and celebrating the contribution of the community over the last 50 years in shaping the city in its present form.
- The sculpture or artwork will incorporate elements of Ugandan heritage in encapsulating the exodus and will be located in the city where many Ugandan Asians settled.

Purpose

- To mark the proud history of Leicester in welcoming refugees
- To mark the 50th anniversary of Ugandan Asians being expelled from Uganda and arriving in the UK, with thousands settling in Leicester
- To ensure this historic event is understood and remembered in future generations
- To celebrate the important contribution the Ugandan Asian community have made in shaping the diverse identity of Leicester

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Key Aspirations for Public Artwork

- To celebrate the importance of the Ugandan Asian Community to Leicester over the last 50 years
- To engage and ensure future generations understand and remember the events of 1972
- To ensure the sculpture and art piece can be incorporated into festivals and events in the area, i.e. Diwali

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The sculpture

- A permanent sculpture or art piece which includes elements connected to Ugandan Asian heritage

It will:

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- Incorporate the experience of Leicester's Ugandan Asian community being expelled from Uganda and settling in Leicester
- Be accessible
- Be reflective and encourage people to engage
- Be sensitive to the surrounding built environment
- Be cast or fabricated from hardwearing material which is resistant to the elements, vandalism, and theft
- not pose a risk to public safety



Community Engagement

- The selected artist will be invited to engage with Leicester Ugandan Asian community members to create and inform the final artwork design. Workshop sessions with community members will be developed to effectively capture the experience of Leicester Ugandan Asian citizens with a purpose of providing community ownership of the commission, and to ensure the final artwork intrinsically reflects the Leicester Ugandan Asian experience.

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Timescale

- **Artist engagement activity:**
Summer/ early autumn 2022

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Draft Work Programme 2022 -23

Meeting date	Meeting items	Notes/Actions Arising	Progress
7 th June 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of the Cultural Ambition Fund in 2021/22 (lead: Mike Dalzell) • New Stories Gallery (lead: Mike Dalzell) • Sports & Physical Activities Strategy Planning phase (lead: Andrew Beddow) • Sports Capital Programme (lead: Andrew Beddow) • Update on progress with Task Group review work into 'Women's Participation in Sport' – verbal update on position by the Chair • Work Programme 2022/23 planning – work in progress. Members to discuss and consider possible items for future meetings 		
9 th August 2022	Possible items tbc <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Task Group review – update on progress • Jewry Wall – Roman Leicester. Update report • Cultural Development Fund programme Round 3 • Work Programme update 		
	Possible items tbc <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Autumn / Winter events programme? 		

Heritage, Culture, Leisure and Tourism Scrutiny Commission

Draft Work Programme 2022 -23

20 th September 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Task Group review – update Work Programme update 		
8 th November 2022	Possible items tbc <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christmas Campaign events? 		
10 th January 2023	Possible items tbc <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annual Council Budget reports, -revenue and capital Christmas activities – feedback report 		
28 th February 2023			

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FORWARD PLAN / SUGGESTED ITEMS		
Topic	Detail	Proposed Date
Forward Plan of key decisions	Commission members to be kept updated on items impacting on HCLS services areas. Watching brief, as required	Ongoing
Budget reviews and Annual budget	Commission members to be kept updated on budget impacts on HCLS service areas. Watching brief, as required.	Ongoing
Consultations	Commission members to contribute to planned and live consultations impacting on HCLS service areas. Watching brief, as required	Ongoing
Suggested Items to be presented to scrutiny:		

Heritage, Culture, Leisure and Tourism Scrutiny Commission

Draft Work Programme 2022 -23

FORWARD PLAN / SUGGESTED ITEMS		
Topic	Detail	Proposed Date
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Plan • Leicester Cathedral investment - report • Pheonix Arts Centre investment - report • Festivals & Events plans - report • Football Investment Strategy update • Tourism Action Plan update • Jewry Wall • Haymarket Theatre update • Heritage Interpretation Panels – any further phases • Cultural & Creative industries plan item – <i>update following item in late 2021</i> • 50 years of Ugandan Asians in Leicester programme – update 		

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