

Growth and Infrastructure Overview and Scrutiny Committee



Date of meeting:	07 December 2022
Title of Report:	Culture Plan Update
Lead Member:	Councillor Pat Patel (Cabinet Member for Customer Services, Culture, Leisure & Sport)
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Key Decision:	No
Confidentiality:	Part I - Official

Purpose of Report

The Culture Plan was formally adopted by Plymouth City Council in March 2021 and we are now at a point where we can reflect on the past 12-18 months of the plan's implementation. This report provides a snapshot of cultural activity in the city over this period of time, how this aligns with the objectives set out in the Culture Plan and what the priorities are for the coming 12 months.

Recommendations and Reasons

Reason - to ensure that the committee is kept up to date with progress on the Culture Plan and contributes to setting annual priorities

Recommendation – to note the report and discuss the suggested priority programmes of work

Alternative options considered and rejected

Update report only, no alternatives required.

Relevance to the Corporate Plan and/or the Plymouth Plan

This supports the City Vision to be one of Europe's most vibrant waterfront cities and the City Council priority of a vibrant cultural offer.

The Plymouth Plan remains the City's overarching strategic plan, looking ahead to 2034. The Plan sets out a shared direction of travel for its long-term future bringing together a number of strategic planning processes into one place. The Plan sets out the aspiration to be a healthy and prosperous city with a rich arts and cultural environment and we see the Culture Plan sitting alongside this as a mechanism for achieving the strategic objectives.

Policy INT4 is of particular relevance as it seeks to delivering a distinctive, dynamic, cultural centre of regional, national and international renown and sets out how the city will support a thriving arts and cultural sector.

The arts and cultural sector have the ability to have a positive impact across a wide range of topic areas ensuring this Culture Plan also contributes to the following policies:

- Policy HEA1 Addressing health inequalities, improving health literacy;
- Policy HEA2 Delivering the best outcomes for children, young people and families;
- Policy HEA4 Playing an active role in the community;
- Policy HEA7 Optimising the health and wellbeing benefits of the natural environment;
- Policy GRO1 Creating the conditions for economic growth;
- Policy GRO2 Delivering skills and talent development;
- Policy INT3 Positioning Plymouth as a major UK destination;
- Policy INT6 Enhancing Plymouth's 'green city' credentials;
- Policy INT8 Celebrating diverse communities.

Implications for the Medium Term Financial Plan and Resource Implications:

None identified

Financial Risks

None identified

Carbon Footprint (Environmental) Implications:

Whilst this report has no identifiable environmental implications, being produced in digital format only, the Culture Plan has the environment as a key driver stating, ‘We will be a city of culture with green credentials, using culture and creativity to tackle the climate emergency’. As such this will be a key criteria for decision-making as projects develop, to ensure the sector acts responsibly and facilitates others to do the same.

Other Implications: e.g. Health and Safety, Risk Management, Child Poverty:

** When considering these proposals members have a responsibility to ensure they give due regard to the Council’s duty to promote equality of opportunity, eliminate unlawful discrimination and promote good relations between people who share protected characteristics under the Equalities Act and those who do not.*

None identified

Appendices

**Add rows as required to box below*

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		<i>If some/all of the information is confidential, you must indicate why it is not for publication by virtue of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 by ticking the relevant box.</i>						
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A	Culture Plan Update							

Background papers:

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Please list all unpublished, background papers relevant to the decision in the table below. Background papers are unpublished works, relied on to a material extent in preparing the report, which disclose facts or matters on which the report or an important part of the work is based.

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Originating Senior Leadership Team member: David Draffan (Service Director Economic Development)											
Please confirm the Strategic Director(s) has agreed the report? Yes Date agreed: 25/11/2022											
Cabinet Member approval: Pat Patel approved by email Date approved: 27/11/2022											