
MEETING	SHADOW EXECUTIVE
DATE	12 NOVEMBER 2008
PRESENT	COUNCILLORS SCOTT (CHAIR), GUNNELL, KING, MERRETT, POTTER AND SIMPSON-LAING
APOLOGIES	COUNCILLOR LOOKER
IN ATTENDANCE	COUNCILLOR CRISP

112. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to declare at this point in the meeting any personal or prejudicial interests they might have in the business on the agenda.

Councillor Scott declared a personal non-prejudicial interest in agenda item 4 (The Barbican – An Update) as a resident of Fishergate.

113. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the last meeting of the Shadow Executive held on 29 October 2008 be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

114. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

It was reported that there had been no registrations to speak at the meeting under the Council's Public Participation Scheme.

115. THE BARBICAN - AN UPDATE

Members received a report which provided an update on the progress of the development of the Barbican's component parts.

Members sought clarification of the terms of the agreement between Absolute Leisure Limited and the Council, in relation to the Barbican Auditorium, and asked officers to check whether the requirements relating to number of performances and number of attendees applied for 20 years or 50 years.

A representative of the Save Our Barbican group attended the meeting and had the opportunity to raise questions and make comments.

The Shadow Executive thanked officers for the report and for their openness in their answers to questions. In looking to the future, they expressed grave doubts about whether Absolute Leisure Limited would be

able to meet the timetable outlined and stated that they, like residents, would be watching to see if contractors moved onto the site in January 2009. They regretted the loss to the community of events that could have been held at the Barbican Auditorium in the meantime and insisted that the health and safety issues drawn to their attention at the meeting by the Save Our Barbican representative must be addressed immediately.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

REASON: To update the Shadow Executive.

CLLR D SCOTT, Chair

[The meeting started at 5.30 pm and finished at 6.30 pm].