



## CPG ON CULTURE: MINUTES

5 SEPTEMBER 2017, 5.30PM-8PM

SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT, COMMITTEE ROOM 2

A CULTURE STRATEGY FOR SCOTLAND

### **Introduction**

The following MSPs were noted to be in attendance:

- Joan McAlpine (South Scotland) (SNP)
- Rachael Hamilton (Ettrick, Roxburgh and Berwickshire) (Con)
- George Adam (Paisley) (SNP)
- Tom Arthur (Renfrewshire South) (SNP)
- Bill Bowman (North East) (Con)
- Ash Denham (Edinburgh Eastern) (SNP)
- John Finnie (Highlands and Islands) (Green)
- Emma Harper (South Scotland) (SNP)
- Rona Mackay (Strathkelvin and Bearsden) (SNP)
- Gillian Martin (Aberdeenshire East) (SNP)
- Gail Ross (Caithness, Sutherland and Ross) (SNP)

Non MSP attendees were:

Janet Archer	Creative Scotland
Sophie Bambrough	Creative Scotland
Joanna Baker	Edinburgh International Festival
Kay Barclay	Scottish Government
Adam Behr	Newcastle University
Leonie Bell	Scottish Government
Callum Boath	
Mark Bolsover	
Lorne Boswell	Equity
Matt Brennan	University of Edinburgh
Maggie Broadley	
Terry Brotherstone	University of Aberdeen
John Cairns	
Gary Cameron	Creative Scotland
Sarah Cameron	Senscot
Fiona Campbell	TMSA
Lucy Casot	Heritage Lottery Fund
Seonaid Daly	Scottish Contemporary Art Network
Karen Dick	Creative Scotland
Julie Ellen	Macrobert Arts Centre
Beatrice Eyales	Youth Juice
Alan Forgie	Youth Juice
Kenneth Fowler	Creative Scotland
Kirsty Gallacher	Into Film
Allison Gardner	Glasgow Film
Louise Gilmour-Wills	Catherine Wheels Theatre
Katie Hamilton	Into Film

Jacky	Hardacre	Scottish Youth Theatre
Jude	Henderson	
Brenna	Hobson	National Theatre of Scotland
Jennifer	Hunter	Federation of Scottish Theatre
Asif	Kahn	Scottish Poetry Library
Jenny	Kumar	Literature Alliance Scotland
Lyndsey	Jackson	Edinburgh Festival Fringe
Moira	Jeffrey	Scottish Contemporary Art Network
Euan	Leitch	
Ellie	Logan	Traditional Music Forum
Meredith	MacBeth	
Gavin	MacDougall	Lauth
Kirstin	MacLeod	
Carrie	Manning	Impact Arts
David	Martin	Skills Development Scotland
Shona	McCarthy	Edinburgh Festival Fringe
David	McDonald	
Jen	McGregor	
Gwen	McLeod	British Council
James	McVeigh	Festivals Edinburgh
Frieda	Morrison	Scots Radio
Sheila	Murray	Creative Scotland
Cate	Nelson-Shaw	Creative Scotland
Katie	Newlands	Heritage Lottery Fund
Margaret	O'Connor	Art in Healthcare
Lynne	O'Neil	
Joanne	Orr	Museums Galleries Scotland
Stuart	Paterson	
Devika	Ponnambalam	Edinburgh Mela
Barclay	Price	Creative Scotland
Virginia	Radcliffe	Licketyspit
Dani	Rae	Edinburgh Festival Fringe
Robert	Rae	
Alison	Reeves	Making Music
Alison	Robertson	Scottish Stained Glass Trust
Lauren	Ross	Young Scot
Magdalena	Schamberger	Hearts and Minds
Anthony	Schrag	
Caroline	Sewell	Musician's Union
Sarah	Simpson	Scottish Government
Lizzie	Smith	University of Edinburgh
Ashley	Smith-Hammond	Culture Republic
David	Stevenson	Queen Margaret University
Donna	Stewart	Scottish Government
Heather	Stuart	Fife Cultural Trust
Ben	Thomson	Creative Scotland
Kathryn	Welch	Voluntary Arts Scotland
Grant	Williams	Edinburgh Mela
Jacqueline	Whymark	
Jackie	Wylie	National Theatre of Scotland
Sarah	Yearsley	Engage Scotland

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

### **AGM Business**

Gail Ross MSP nominated Joan McAlpine MSP as Convener of the Cross-Party Group on Culture, seconded by Emma Harper, MSP. Gail Ross, MSP nominated Rachael Hamilton MSP as Deputy Convener of the Cross-Party Group on Culture, seconded by Ash Denham, MSP. The group nominated and seconded Creative Scotland to act as secretariat to the Group.

### **A Culture Strategy for Scotland**

An introduction to the session was provided by Leonie Bell, Head of Cultural Engagement and Culture Strategy, Scottish Government.

Further information on the Culture Strategy and how to engage with the development process can be found here: <https://beta.gov.scot/policies/arts-culture-heritage/culture-strategy-for-scotland/>

The introduction is available to watch at: <http://www.cpgonculture.com/previous-meetings/5-september-2017/>

### **Panel Discussion**

There then followed a panel discussion including the background to cultural strategy development in Scotland and the importance of access and empowerment across sectors featuring:

- Heather Stuart, Chief Executive, Fife Cultural Trust
- Allison Gardner, Programme Director, Glasgow Film
- Lauren Ross, National Youth Arts Advisor, Young Scot

You can watch the discussion in full at the above link.

### **Group Discussion**

The discussion was then opened up to the Group and is similarly available online at the above link.

### **Any Other Business/Next Meeting**

It was noted that the next meeting would be held on Tuesday 5 December 2017, in Committee Room 1 of the Scottish Parliament.

You can watch the full meeting online at the following link:

<http://www.cpgonculture.com/>