

## Scottish Parliament - Cross Party Group on Culture

AGM / Cultural Manifesto Meeting

Draft Minutes from 15<sup>th</sup> September 2020

Meeting held online on Zoom

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**MSPs present:** Claire Baker MSP, Maurice Golden MSP, Joan McAlpine MSP, Beatrice Wishart MSP

**CPG members and guests:** 55

- 1 Minutes of the last meeting approved. Rab Noakes approved the minutes.
- 2 AGM
  - Joan McAlpine MSP nominated as group convener. Accepted.
  - Maurice Golden MSP nominated as group co-convener. Accepted.
  - Culture Counts nominated as Secretariat. Accepted.
- 3 Prof David Stevenson (Queen Margaret University) provided a presentation on the aims and objectives of the new Centre for Cultural Value at University of Leeds.
- 4 Louise Robertson (Message Matters) provided a presentation on things to consider when drafting a manifesto.

Group members asked if slides from both presentations could be shared with the group, secretariat confirmed that slides would be sent to all.

- 5 The group members then took some time to discuss what a Cultural manifesto should look like.

The manifesto should:

- have asks related to covid-19 and some which are not related
- be a good balance of realistic and aspirational
- consider 2016 pledges
- consider fair-work convention
- consider governance and structural issues
- should consider procurement procedures
- should consider international working
- should consider diversity and equality
- should consider culture's role in health and education

Secretariat agreed to send the links to the 'fun-retro' boards so that CPG members can add to the discussion online after this meeting.

- 6 Joan thanked the speakers and everyone who had contributed to the discussion. Joan suggested a CPG meeting in December to discuss the manifesto where a cross-party discussion around the manifesto asks can take place. Jen (Secretariat) agreed to consider possible dates for a December meeting to take this forward. Invitations for the December meeting will be sent out in the usual way, once a date is firmed up.