

Minutes of Meeting of Board of Trustees Held on Wednesday 30th June 2021 18.00 hrs via Cisco Webex

Present:			
	Craig Elliott	(CE)	Cultural Manager
	Jim Gibbons	(JG)	Partner Director
	Jim Neill.*	(JN)	Independent Director (Vice Chair)
	Maeve Kilcoyne	(MK)	Company Secretary
	Mark Grant	(MG)	General Manager
	Sandy Marshall	(SM)	Independent Director
	Sheila Mechan	(SMe)	Partner Director
	Vaughan Moody	(VM)	Partner Director (Chair)
Apologies:	Gillian Renwick	(GR)	Partner Director
	Jimmy Watson	(JW)	Independent Director
	Howard Wilkin	(HW)	Trade Union Director
	Iqbal Singh Bedi	(IB)	Independent Director
	Stewart MacDonald	(SMD)	Partner Director

.* Jim Neill was present via a telephone link.

Item	Subject	Action
1.	Welcome	
2.	Apologies	
	As above.	
3.	Declaration of Director's interests	
	None.	
4.	Minutes of Meeting of 19 th May and Matters Arising	
	Minutes were proposed by VM and seconded by SM.	
5.	Mass Vaccination Centres – EDLCT Facilities – Verbal Update General Manager	
	MG gave a verbal update on the mass vaccination centres. SM asked if we are billing the NHS. MG said that we recharge the NHS via EDC who receive the monies.	



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6.	Finance including Audit update and Job retention scheme MG said that himself and MK had met with the auditors to agree the timeline. The audit will be carried out via screen sharing and emails. As a result of Covid – 19 this year will be see a briefer version of the Annual Report. MG said that the accounts had been updated for the £289k recharge to EDC for the vaccination centres.	
7.	Facility Reopening Update – EDLCT MG gave a facility reopening update and explained the main change will be library services coming back. Customers can book online for PC services and photocopying. It is hoped that there will be some limited browsing by 11 th July. Leisure Centres are continuing to do well.	
8.	Allander Leisure Centre Progress Report – EDC MG said we have agreed to provide a Joint Report with the Council and the contractor. MG said issues are resolving well. Dominic from the Major Assets Team will be asked to attend the August Board Meeting to give a presentation on the progress.	
9.	EDLCT Exhibitions Policy 2021 – For approval 2 nd Draft CE said questions about equality diversion and inclusion and consideration of digital exhibition content, raised at the Board meeting on the 19 th May has been taken into consideration and were now included in the revised policy. VM asked CE to talk through the revisions. CE provided update, including changes to the policy document. SMe asked if the word "sex" can be added under the section for diversity, highlighting that gender isn't the same as sex. We are in danger of eliminating the word men and woman. CE said absolutely and asked if the Board would prefer all 9 characteristics to be included. VM agreed and SMe said that under diversity we are very privilidged to know a talented Nigerial Chief, fantastic artist. Can SMe put this lady in touch with CE? SMe said she would do an email introduction and CE agreed. CE said he would welcome the opportunity to meet with the artist, but that any exhibition of her work would be subject to the new policy. VM said report is approved following amendment.	
		CE
10.	AOCB MG said a request had been made for looked after and accommodated children to extend their membership as this stops when they left residential care at 17 years of age. MG said he now understood that they are looking to extend this for a year or longer. MG said it is the intention to bring back a report to the next board meeting. VM said he understood that this is not an issue if it was an additional year. In reality the Council acts as a parent to these children up to the age of 24 when they have the attributes of an adult. VM asked if there are any other isues. SMe said when she was at the NHS board and there was a chat about mental health generally which was more of an issue since lockdown. She said we should take our services more to customers before they ask for them. She asked if MG could talk to our	



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	communications people. MG said he is happy to speak to them. Issues have increased since lockdown. MG will speak to the relevant person in the NHS. SM asked if pre-pandemic did we have a GP referral scheme. MG said we still have it. The centres and the walk for mental health are getting picked up again. We are keen to get vulnerable individuals to re-engage. SM asked if it was the cultural side as well as leisure. MG said yes, not just physical activities but a lot of cultural aspects which contribute to mental health. MG said 19 th July we hope to be in level 0 and 9 th august for return to normal assuming it goes ahead.	MG
11.	Date of Next Meeting Wednesday 18 th August at 6pm.	

Signed:

Vaushar Marela

Date

18 August 2021