



## Cabinet 25 March 2009

### Report of the Policy Development Committee: Cultural Strategy (Apr 09/06)

1. Following the Committee's establishment of a working group of Members and officers, consultation had taken place on a draft Cultural Strategy which was now brought before the full Committee for consideration.
2. The Working Group intended the Strategy to be a high level document which would guide the annual Leisure Service Plan (through which monitoring of the Strategy would take place, enabling it to be a live document); set priorities and direction for future budget decisions and negotiations with key partners; and provide a steer in determining Local Area Agreement (LAA) and Comprehensive Area Assessment (CAA) objectives.
3. During the debate Members discussed the lack of public transport links as being a problem in enabling people to access cultural activities.
4. Cabinet is **RECOMMENDED** that:-
  - (a) **the Cultural Strategy, attached to Report Z584, be adopted and used as a guidance document to deliver on the Leisure Service Plan, Local Area Agreement and Comprehensive Area Assessment objectives;**
  - (b) **the consultation process, as detailed in Report Z584, be adopted; and**
  - (c) **the review process for the Cultural Strategy, as detailed in Report Z584, be adopted.**
  - (d) **an investigation be carried out, in conjunction with partners, into specific public transport links which would make possible improved access to cultural events, facilities or opportunities to as many residents within the Borough as is possible and a report to the Policy Development Committee be made.**

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