

Agenda Item No: 10

Report to: Museums Committee

Date of Meeting: 3 December 2012

Report Title: Access and Learning Policy

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Purpose of Report

to consider the draft review of the Museum's Access and Learning Policy

Recommendation(s)

1. to recommend the policy is submitted for consultation

Reasons for Recommendations

Introduction

1. This report considers the review of the 2008 Access and Learning Policy. This draft will be put on the HBC website and sent to individuals and organisations involved in the original consultation.
2. The aims of Hastings Museum & Art Gallery's Access & Learning Policy remain unchanged from the 2008-2012 policy, with the exception of the development of a dedicated education space on land adjacent to the Museum, which is unrealistic in the current financial climate. (Policy objective 3.4: To investigate the feasibility of developing dedicated learning spaces throughout the museum sites.)
3. In the revised objectives, the Museum seeks to consolidate its practice, emphasising the continued development of partner networks, within both the formal and informal learning sectors. This partnership working remains core to the learning programme delivery, but will no longer be itemised as policy objectives.
4. Many of the objectives are ongoing, with a particular commitment to refreshing the resources offered by the Museum for use both on and off site.
5. The draft will proceed to consultation in December and be brought again to this Committee in March with any possible amendments.

Wards Affected

None

Area(s) Affected

None

Policy Implications

Please identify if this report contains any implications for the following:

Equalities and Community Cohesiveness	Yes
Crime and Fear of Crime (Section 17)	No
Risk Management	Yes
Environmental Issues	No
Economic/Financial Implications	No
Human Rights Act	No
Organisational Consequences	No
Local People's Views	Yes

Background Information

Museum Access and Learning Policy 2013 -2018
Main revisions to A&L Policy
Chronology of Objectives

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