

Agenda Item No: 5

Report to: Museums Committee

Date of Meeting: 17 September 2012

Report Title: Curator's Report

Report By: Cathy Walling
Museum Curator

Purpose of Report

to provide an update on issues arising from previous meetings and confirmation of Curator's actions

Recommendation(s)

1. the report is for noting

Reasons for Recommendations

Introduction

This report updates members on matters carried over from previous meetings and other items not included on the agenda.

1. The plaque to Alan Turing was unveiled on the centenary of his birth on 23 June. There was coverage on BBC Radio Sussex and in the Hastings Observer.
2. The redisplayed Plains Indian Gallery was opened on 30 June by Cllr Westley. This project was funded by World Stories South-east, led by the Arts Council and LOCOG.
3. The 3D scan of the Durbar Hall made by the RPS Group was entered into an Innovations Award in July, but unfortunately did not win.
4. The following were given permission to use images from the Museum collection:
 - Photos of the Bonfire Soc head and Hastings Bonfire Soc banner for a book on Hastings Bonfire Soc to be published in September by Tony Streeter.
 - David Callahan writing an article for Birdwatch magazine requested photos of the Slender Billed Curlew and George Bristow.
 - Phoebe Lowndes, Picture Researcher, Yale University Press - permission to use an image of Pelham Arcade in the new edition of Pevsner's Guide.

Wards Affected

None

Area(s) Affected

None

Policy Implications

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

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

Background Information

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