

Agenda Item No: 5

Report to: Museums Committee

Date of Meeting: 17 June 2013

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 Museum's painting of the Fishmarket by J.M.W. Turner will be on display at the Museum from 13 July to 1 September, before going on loan to the National Maritime Museum and Peabody Museum, Salem.

2. A member of staff has been appointed under the Permeate Fellowship scheme, sponsored by Arts Council England. James Perry commences on 6 June and will work for 6 months as a Documentation Assistant.

3. Permission has been given for the use of the following images.

- Two images relating to John Logie Baird and Linton Crescent to be used by ITV for their series on 'Britain's Secret Homes'.
- A drawing of 'The Conqueror's Stone' by Marianne Johnson for artists' project website www.tillwehavebuilt.com.
- An Image of the Baird poster for 'Armchair Books' by Joe Moran.
- An image of the Blue Saloon by E L Badham for family history book written by Small family.
- Two images of Hastings for publication of a 19th century diary by Susan Macklin.

4. East Sussex Record Office is now closed until the autumn to allow the transfer of all archives to the new Keep at Falmer. Hastings Museum has a list of all accessioned items passed on from the Museum and HBC. The catalogue entries of 90% of ESRO's holdings are available electronically on the Access to Archives website, and all documents accessioned since 1979 are listed on the East Sussex website. The refurbished Hastings Library will have links to local documents in due course. Further discussion is to take place into the extent that copies of local documents can be made available in Hastings.

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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