



Report to Arts, Culture, Recreation and Community SPC

14th September 2015

Item No. 5

Arts and Cultural Advisory Group Minutes of Meeting held on Monday 25th May 2015, 8.30 a.m. The LAB, Foley Street

Attending: Aine Clancy (chair person), Ray Yeates, Ruairí Ó Cuív, Cllr Claire Byrne, Barbara Dawson, Brendan Teeling, Charles Duggan, Gerry Kerr, Paula Murphy, John Tuomey, Cecily Brennan, Willie White, Elaine Ryan, Jonathan Ekwe.

Apologies: Mary Freehill, Simon O'Connor, Rebecca Moynihan, Deborah Kelleher.

1. Minutes of previous meeting held on 30th March 2015

Approved. It was agreed that minutes going forward would just record the Actions, Approvals and Recommendations of the group.

2. Matters Arising

No matters arising

3. City Arts Officer Report and 'Arts, Education and Learning Policy Statement'

Ray Yeates presented his report and discussed events run by the Arts Office and events taking place at the LAB.

'Arts, Education and Learning Policy Statement'

There was a discussion around the 'Arts, Education and Learning Policy Statement'.

Note: There will be a process involved where members can join the Education and Learning steering group.

4. Dublin City Gallery - Hugh Lane Report

Barbara Dawson presented the Hugh Lane Report.

5. Dublin City Public Libraries Report

Brendan Teeling presented the Libraries Report

6. Dublin City Public Art Programme Report

Ruairí Ó Cuiv presented the Public Art Report.

Approved: Goethe Institut-Ireland proposal to create a new sound artwork for Memorial Gardens as a contemporary response to the great loss of life of Irish soldiers in the First World War.

Not Recommended: *Odyssey of an Open Mind* by Masaaki Noda because of factors relating to care, maintenance, health and safety. It was also noted that not necessarily this sculpture is not the best way of marking the connections between Japan and Ireland through the life and work of Lafcadio Hearn. The Group recommended that the proposers of this sculpture consider that a more appropriate memorial would be to create an endowment of a literary bursary or exchange in his memory.

Approved: The Arts and Cultural Advisory Group approved a proposal to relocate the sculptures: Michael Collins by Dick Joynt (1938-2003); Bernardo O'Higgins (1995) by Francisco Orellana Pavez; Henry Grattan by Peter Grant (1915-2003); George Russell (AE) by Jerome Connor (1874-1943); Tribute head by Elizabeth Frink (1930- 1993) with the Éire Memorial (1974) by Jerome Connor (1874-1943) along a wider 'promenade' pathway on the north side of the Merrion square.

Approved: A proposal to move the sculpture 'Báite' ('Viking ship') by *Betty Newman Maguire* from the roadside at Wood Quay to the landscaped areas at the amphitheatre in the Civic Offices was approved subject to agreement of the artist.

Approved: Approval was given for a proposal by the artist Michael Warren to paint in an ebony glaze, '*Wood Quay*', the major sculpture at the entrance to the Civic Offices.

7. A.O.B

The date for the next Arts & Culture Advisory Group meeting is Monday 7th September at 9am in **Pearse Street Library**.