



Coventry City Council

Briefing note

To
Cabinet

9th January, 2007

Subject

Understanding the Future: Priorities for England's Museums - Response to Consultation Document from the Department of Culture, Media and Sport

1 Purpose of the Note

- 1.1 To inform the Cabinet of Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee's recommendations following its consideration of this report on 3rd January, 2007.

2 Recommendations

The Cabinet is recommended, before deciding its response, to take into account the views of the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee as follows:-

That the Committee supports the draft response; however, when forwarding the final response, the point should be made that the Government ought to allow more time for responses to consultation documents, so as to enable thorough consideration to be given, particularly in view of the need to ensure that Scrutiny Members are fully involved in this process.

3 Information/Background

- 3.1 This Government consultation document was received in November 2006, with a deadline of 19th January, 2007, for responses.
- 3.2 In accordance with the agreed procedure for dealing with such documents, this report was considered by Scrutiny (in this case the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee) on 3rd January, 2007, prior to being considered by the Cabinet on the 9th January and by the Council on 16th January.
- 3.3 The Committee's views are shown in paragraph 2 above.

Corinne Steele,
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