Coventry City Council

Public report

Report to
Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee

1 April 2015

Report of
Councillor Linda Bigham

Title
Report Back on the Work Of Outside Bodies - Belgrade Theatre Trust (Coventry) Limited

1 Purpose of the Report

1.1 This report sets out details of the work of the Belgrade Theatre Trust (Coventry) Limited over the preceding twelve months and details of attendance by the City Council's representatives.

2 Recommendations

The City Council should nominate two elected members due to the importance of Belgrade Theatre Trust (Coventry) Limited to the cultural life of the city and to the level of financial support from the City Council.

3 Information on Work of Outside Body

3.1 The Belgrade Theatre Trust contributes to Coventry culturally, economically, in education and in community work. This year is the 50th anniversary of Theatre in Education which was started by the Belgrade and is now an international model. Work in the community promotes community cohesion and raises the national and international profile of Coventry while serving the local community. The Annual Report for 2013/14 is available as an appendix.

4 Benefits to the City Council of the Appointment

4.1 Benefits to the City Council are that members are able to add to direction and strategy, are able to scrutinise annual accounts and use their knowledge and experience to strengthen the board.

5 What Financial Contribution Does the Council Make to this Organisation

5.1 The core grant is £817,478.

6 Attendance Record and Remuneration for the Appointment

6.1 There have been a total of 5 meetings held of which Councillor Mrs Bigham attended 4 and Councillor Bailey attended 3. There was an additional board meeting which Councillor Mrs Bigham also attended.

List of background papers

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