Art Galleries Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, 14 February 2024

Present: Councillor Rahman (Chairman) – in the Chair

Councillors: Akbar, Bridges, Igbon, Midgley, Rawlins and White

Apologies: Councillor Craig, Hacking, Johnson and T Robinson

Also present: Councillors:

AG/24/1. Minutes

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 15 February 2023.

AG/24/2. Manchester City Galleries report and revenue budget 2024/25

The Committee considered a joint report of the Head of Libraries, Galleries, Culture and Youth Services and the Deputy Chief Executive and City Treasurer that Manchester City Galleries' providing an overview of the performance during 2023. The report also provided an outline of the plan to deliver the vision for the service in 2024/25, within the context of the strategic plan, and presented a draft revenue budget for 2024/25 for the approval of the Art Galleries Committee.

The report set out a proposed budget for 2024/25, which the Committee was recommended to endorse.

Expenditure	Proposed revenue budget 2024/25
	£000's
Staffing	3,301
Premises	80
Transport	65
Supplies and Services	630
Internal charges	25
Total Gross Budget	4,101
Income	
MCC cash limit	2,574
ACE National Portfolio Organisation (NPO)	520
Art Galleries Trust (fundraising)	450
Earned income	450
Internal recharge (OTH Project)	108
Total Net Budget	4,101

The Committee viewed a short presentation video on Future Creatives – a collaboration between Manchester Art Gallery and the Manchester College that championed the power of self-expression

Decisions

The Committee:-

- (1) Note the report and endorse the draft gross budget for 2024/25 of £4.101m, with cash limit budget contribution from Manchester City Council of £2.574m.
- (2) To recommend the budget to Executive for approval as part of the Council's 2024/25 budget setting process.
- (3) To authorise the Chair of Art Galleries Committee to approve potential rehoming or repurposing (known within the museum sector as 'disposals') of accredited collections items as part of a collections review.