

# **BUDGET & PERFORMANCE PANEL**

**15<sup>th</sup> July 2008**

## **Museums Partnership**

### **Report of the Head of Cultural Services**

#### **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To provide the Panel with background information in respect of the Museums Partnership.

**This report is public**

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

**(1) That the Panel note the report.**

##### **1.0 Introduction**

**1.1** At a recent meeting of the Budget and Performance Panel, Members received and accepted a report on the Dukes Theatre. Further to that report, Members requested that the Head of Cultural Services should present a report on the Museums Partnership.

**1.2** The Head of Cultural Services and Mr Edmund Southworth (Lancashire County Council's Museum Officer) will both attend the Budget and Performance Panel and will update Members on the Museums Partnership and be available to respond to any questions.

**1.3** Attached to this report is a copy of the Partnership Agreement between Lancaster City Council and Lancashire County Council, in respect of the Museums Partnership.

**1.4** As Members will be aware from a report that appears on the Agenda, Lancaster City Council has developed a Partnership Toolkit. Subject to Budget and Performance Panel's deliberations with regards to the above, the proposal is that the Partnership Toolkit be used to review the Museums Partnership.

## 2.0 Conclusion

- 2.1 The Panel is asked to receive the report and to satisfy themselves that the Partnership Toolkit is an appropriate methodology to review the Museums Partnership in terms of providing value for money and its contribution to Lancaster City Council's Corporate Priorities.

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