

City of Preston Town Fund Board

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Present: Mr J Chesworth in the Chair; Councillors Brown, Borrow,
Mr A Phillips, Mr R Binns and Mr P Thomas

Also in attendance:

Mr M Flemming	-	TIG
Mr C Hayward	-	Director of Development and Housing
Ms J Wilding	-	Director of Resources & S151 Officer
Mr C Blackburn	-	Assistant Director (Head of City Growth and Regeneration)
Mr T Joel	-	Head of Culture
Ms Palmer	-	Regeneration Manager
Mr Z Bapu	-	Senior Member Services Officer

Apologies: Ms A Huck, Ms J Anthony and Ms K Illingworth - Turner

CD70 Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed as an accurate record.

CD71 Declaration of Interests (if any)

There were no new Interests declared.

CD72 Towns Fund Implementation Report

Mr Tim Joel, Head of Culture, gave a presentation on the Harris project. He highlighted the progress from the start to date. The Board was informed that there had been major changes undertaken at the Harris and the project had evolved due to increased funding and challenges. Mr Joel gave an overview of the timeline and stated that the aspiration was to have a grand re-opening in spring 2025. The project had made use of the scaffold on-site to undertake work that may have been carried out in future resulting in savings for future scaffold cost.

The Board welcomed the update and thanked Mr Joel for his presentation.

The Board received an update on the implementation of the other Towns Fund projects. It was reported that there were no issues to raise as the

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projects were progressing well and running on time. An update on the Comms and the work undertaken since the previous meeting was highlighted to the Board.

Resolved - The Towns Fund Board agreed to

- (i) Note the October/November Monitoring Updates; and
- (ii) Confirmed the continued delegation of M&E submission approval via the Chair.