

<b>Report title: The Arts, Culture and the Creative Sector</b>	
<b>Report to:</b> Place Services and Economic Growth Policy and Scrutiny Committee	
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<b>Date:</b> 20 October 2022	<b>For:</b> Discussion and identifying any follow-up scrutiny actions
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<b>County Divisions affected:</b> All	

## 1. Introduction

The Committee's remit includes scrutiny of Culture and the Arts as well as associated areas such as Tourism. The presentation (Appendix) presents an overview of activity in the sector including on the Essex County Council Arts and Cultural Fund.

## 2. Action required

The Committee is asked to consider the presentation and identify any follow-up scrutiny activity.

## 3. Links to Everyone's Essex

The Arts, Culture and the Creative Sector links to a number of the ambitions outlined in *Everyone's Essex: our plan for levelling up the county 2021 to 2025* including on supporting economic and social regeneration in our region.

## 4. Next Steps

This is an opportunity for the Committee to scrutinise the Council's activity in this area.

Expected attendees to support the discussion:

Councillor Graham Butland, Cabinet Member - Devolution, the Arts, Heritage and Culture

Louise Fitton - Head of Culture, Heritage & Green Space

Erica Gilson - Marketing and Business Development Manager

## 5. Appendices

Presentation on The Arts, Culture and the Creative Sector.

