

Scrutiny Committee – 18th December 2008

9. Draft Cultural Strategy for Somerset

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Purpose of the Report

The purpose of this report is to obtain feedback from the Scrutiny Committee on the draft Cultural Strategy for Somerset.

Action Required

That Members review the report and provide comments, suggestions and refinements that they would wish the County Council to consider in the preparation of the Cultural Strategy for Somerset.

Background

Somerset County Council initiated the preparation of a new Cultural Strategy for Somerset during the summer of 2008.

As part of this process, the Somerset Cultural Forum Executive has asked for each District's Scrutiny Committee's to:

- Review the draft strategy.
- Review the final draft strategy.
- Recommend the endorsement of the strategy by their Executive.

Draft Strategy

A copy of the draft Cultural Strategy for Somerset is attached in Appendix 1.

In accordance with the covering letter enclosed with the strategy, Councillors are asked to comment upon:

- Whether they feel the Strategy is broadly right for South Somerset and Somerset?
- Whether they feel the action plan accurately addresses the needs of South Somerset and Somerset?
- Whether there are other stakeholders or agencies that need to be involved in the implementation of the actions?
- Whether there are any other areas that need to be strengthened in the Strategy?

Other Implications

None.

Background Papers: None.
