



Friends of Stretford Public Hall Board of Directors

Update on Key Decisions | February 2018

The Board signed off on new funding in order to recruit new staff and effectively manage the hall, maximise our events and activities and support our fund-raising activities. In order to effectively recruit and manage staff, we have received professional guidance to ensure we have adequate HR policies in place.

We noted various grant applications had been submitted.

We welcomed improvements to our financial reporting which continue to show a healthy situation in line with our projections. We also signed off on a revised policy for our financial procedures.

Ballroom transformation

The Board are now actively recruiting an external Project Manager / consultant to manage the process of signing off on all agreed designs, achieve final planning consents and commence works to improve the Ballroom. We continue to work with our architects, Loop Systems and are liaising with relevant authorities including planning and environmental.

Events and activities

The Board received reports on our events for the last period as well as noting excellent forthcoming activities.

- The Sing- A- Long Screening of Beauty and the Beast on the 25th February (sold out)
- Back to the Civic night on the 24th February
- We agreed to use a catering contractor to sell pizzas for both these events and will look to also use other potential catering contractors for future events
- Screening of Suffragette on the 24th March, co-programming with the WI to turn this event into a celebration for the 100th anniversary of Suffrage.
- We are looking into organising a Kitchen Sink Drama screening.
- A further term for Creative Thursdays 1st March-29th March.
- Due to popular demand, we have added an extra yoga session as part of Wellbeing Tuesdays

We are grateful to the fantastic team of volunteers who enable us to run our activities. Members of the Board were also delighted to join volunteers at their social evening at the hall.