

Single Member Cabinet Decision

Executive Forward Plan Reference	E3536
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Roman Baths and Victoria Art Gallery Accreditation

Decision maker/s	Cllr Paul Roper, Cabinet Member for Economic and Cultural Sustainable Development
The Issue	Roman Baths and Victoria Art Gallery Plans and Policies require Council sign-off as part of the Accreditation Standard return to Arts Council England.
Decision Date	14th May 2024
The decision	<p>The Cabinet Member agrees that the following plans and policies are approved for the Arts Council England’s Accreditation Standard return:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Victoria Art Gallery Forward Plan 2024 - 27 ○ Collections Development Policy – Victoria Art Gallery ○ Documentation Policy – Victoria Art Gallery ○ Collections Care and Conservation Policy – Victoria Art Gallery ○ Collections Development Policy – Roman Baths Museum ○ Documentation Policy – Roman Baths Museum ○ Collections Care and Conservation Policy – Roman Baths Museum ○ Access Policy – Heritage Services
Rationale for decision	<p>It is a requirement of the Arts Council England’s Accreditation Standard that the Victoria Art Gallery has an approved Forward Plan which covers the current and subsequent planning year and that both the Roman Baths and the Victoria Art Gallery have a Collections Development Policy, Documentation Policy, Collections Care and Conservation Policy, and an Access Policy.</p> <p>The Roman Baths Museum and Victoria Art Gallery will be renewing their Accredited status in 2024.</p>
Financial and budget implications	<p>The Victoria Art Gallery forward plan outlines its plan for the next 3 years with resources allocated to the various activities. All activities are either included within existing internal budgets or, where external funding is required, this will be considered in our fundraising strategy.</p> <p>The forward plan set out our intentions but doesn’t commit us to achieving them. The Arts Council understand that objectives and budgets may change. The document is a working document, and</p>

	the activity may change over the course of the plan.
Issues considered	Sustainability; Equality (age, race, disability, religion/belief, gender, sexual orientation); Impact on Staff;
Consultation undertaken	Staff; Service users; Other B&NES Services; Stakeholders/Partners; Section 151 Finance Officer; Chief Executive; Monitoring Officer
How consultation was carried out	The development of the forward plan and policies has been done through consultation on various aspects of the Roman Baths and Victoria Art Gallery's programme and operation through evaluation and feedback via surveys and face to face from users, non-users and stakeholders.
Other options considered	None
Declaration of interest by Cabinet Member(s) for decision:	None
Any conflict of interest declared by anyone who is consulted by a Member taking the decision:	None

Name and Signature of Decision Maker/s	Councillor Paul Roper Cabinet Member for Economic and Cultural Sustainable Development Bath and North East Somerset Council
Date of Signature	14 May 2024
Subject to Call-in until 5 Working days have elapsed following publication of the decision	