

Topics for Mike Hill's Verbal Update
Communities Policy Overview Committee
22nd September 2008

1. Turner Contemporary

- We secured £4.1 million in funding from Arts Council England (ACE) on 1st July and £4 million from South East England Development Agency (SEEDA) on 22nd July
- John Kampfner, former Editor of the New Statesman and an award-winning journalist and broadcaster, was appointed Chair of the Turner Contemporary Operating Trust on 7th July.
- We have received the tenders back from contractors.

2. Kent School Games

- The KSG Finals took place on 26th June – 29th June in Canterbury and were followed by a Celebratory event on 16th July.

3. Kent History Centre

Mike Hill will give a verbal update

4. Community Wardens Football Tournament

- The Kent Community Warden Football Tournament final was held at Charlton Athletic F.C. Training Ground on Sunday 31st August. There were 23 teams across three age groups (14-16yrs, (9 teams) 16-18yrs (9 teams) and 5 teams of girls, with a total of 220 players competing for the winning trophies.

5. Youth Capital Fund

- £311,800 has been awarded to bidders by a panel of young people following a rigorous and highly successful process over the 30th July – 1st August.

6. Olympics – Key dates

- 24th August was the handover day from the Beijing Olympics to London 2012 and was celebrated throughout Kent by a range of events.
- 17th September is the handover day for the Paralympics and the launch of our 20 in 12 learning programme. There will be/was a celebratory event taking place at Folkestone Academy.
- 26th September is the launch day of the Cultural Olympiad. In Dover, a spectacle fire show, 'Light Up Dover' will be taking place.

7. Chris Hespe's recent visit to Beijing

- Chris Hespe made contact with 100 national committees and 70 national federations regarding Kent's pre-Games Training Camps.

8. The Dover Torch Campaign

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9. Libraries

- Kent's presentation at the National Year of Reading Conference on 10th September was a great success.

10. Youth

- Select Committee on Activities for Young people and a KYCC debate at County Council.

11. Safer Kent Awards

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