## **ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL – REPORT TO MEMBERS**

1.	Meeting:	Cabinet Member for Culture and Tourism
2.	Date:	26th March, 2013
3.	Title:	Subsidised use of the Civic Theatre (Applications)
4.	Directorate:	Environment and Development Services

### 5. Summary

The Cabinet Member has previously approved an application process with regards to requests for subsidised use of the Civic Theatre for charitable use (Minute F40 of 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2011 refers). It was determined that applications be brought to Cabinet Member meetings for decisions and that advice should be given by officers as to the suitability of the proposal from a professional, technical and logistical perspective.

This report contains a recommendation for one application.

# 6. Recommendations

• That the Cabinet Member approves an application by Mick Hill (Rotherham Arts Events).

### 7. Proposals and Details

This re-submission by Mick Hill proposes that he host the 80s band "the Lambrettas" at the Civic Theatre on the 4<sup>th</sup> October 2013. Mick Hill has worked closely with the Service Manager, Theatre & Arts, to format an evening that would be logistically acceptable; after his previous application was declined for logistical reasons (minute number F20, 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2012, refers).

The evening would be in support of Macmillan Cancer Care and Turning Point Social Care.

It is envisaged an estimate of the subsidy required would be:

Theatre hire	£443.00
Additional staffing 12-6pm	£303.60
1 x follow spot ops (6 hrs)	£56.00
Ticket commission (assuming 350 sold)	£249.20
Contingency extras	£200

Total £1251.80

#### 8. Finance

If approval is given for the proposed event, the remaining available subsidy for 2013-14 would be £3748.20, from a total budget of £5,000.

#### 9. Risks and Uncertainties

The quality of the act. This act does not conform to the current programme of the venue, so the Theatre & Arts Service does not have a proven audience base to market. However, building new audiences is a key agenda for the service.

### 10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

The Theatre & Arts Service contributes to the following priorities

- More people come to the Town Centre for work, shopping and for things to do and see
- People enjoy parks, green spaces, sports, leisure and cultural activities

## 11. Background Papers and Consultation

Minute F40 of the Delegated Powers meeting 6<sup>th</sup> December 2011 Minute F 20 of the Delegated Powers meeting 4<sup>th</sup> December 2012 ROTHERHAM METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

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