

# **Lowestoft Town Council**

# **Arts Policy**

#### 1.0 Aim

1.1 This policy is designed to outline the Council's approach to the arts.

## 2.0 Definition

2.1 Lowestoft Town Council defines the arts as including all forms of performing arts, music making, visual arts, crafts, literature, creative technology (including digital art forms), film, and architecture.

## 3.0 Commitments of the Council

- 3.1 Lowestoft Town Council believes the arts play a vital role in all aspects of life within the parish of Lowestoft.
- 3.2 We will act as a visionary leader, enabler and advocate of the arts in the parish of Lowestoft.
- 3.3 We will advocate for high quality arts activities and promote creative expression for the people who live, work and visit the parish of Lowestoft.
- 3.4 We will celebrate the art heritage of Lowestoft, providing access to and education on the town's art and cultural assets.
- 3.5 We will ensure that our arts organisations, artists in all art forms, rising talent and creative industries are welcomed, recognised, valued and supported.
- 3.6 We will seek investment in the arts to meet the needs of local communities both rural and urban and across all age groups and demographics.
- 3.7 We will support and promote cultural diversity and equality of access and opportunity in the all.
- 3.8 We will promote and invest in the arts by levering in matched funding from external sources, trying wherever possible to seek local funding.
- 3.9 We will promote the arts as an aspirational and inspirational tool in social and economic regeneration.
- 3.10 We will liaise with local Primary, Secondary and College educational providers to enhance the arts.
- 3.11 We will promote the role of the arts in enhancing health (including mental health), and quality of life, providing enjoyment and as a powerful tool in learning to inspire the next generation.
- 3.12 We will support the development of new talent and encourage creativity and new initiatives locally in the arts.

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