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## **EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL HELD ON 24 NOVEMBER 2011**

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### **COSP.92/11 TULLIE HOUSE BUSINESS PLAN AND LEASE ARRANGEMENTS**

(Public and Press excluded by virtue of Paragraphs 3 and 4)

The Assistant Director (Community Engagement) (Mr Gerrard) submitted private report CD.26/11 attaching the draft Tullie House Business Plan. The report summarised the steps leading up to the establishment of the Trust in April 2011, the key milestones outlined in the draft Business Plan and financial and legal implications. The report detailed of a proposed extension to the lease arrangements from the City Council for the property occupied by the Trust.

The Executive had on 22 November 2011 (EX.162/11) considered the report and made the Plan available for consideration by Overview and Scrutiny.

Ms Wade outlined the business plan and highlighted the strategic themes which had been identified by the Trust's management team for the Plan. She explained what the key priorities would be and how the Trust intended to proceed into the future.

Mr Smith informed the Panel of his reasons for becoming a Trustee and felt that the Trust had a lot of potential.

In response to Members questions Ms Wade and Mr Smith reminded the Panel of the current funding situation and the impact of the loss of the Renaissance in the Regions (Hub) funding. They explained the proposals for the subsidiary trading company and the admissions charges review.

They reminded the Panel that the fund raising post which had been funded by the Hub money would continue until March 2012 then members of the team would take over the fundraising role. The team already had a vast range of experience in fundraising.

Ms Wade confirmed that the Trust was in touch with schools, colleges and universities with regard to the use of the Trust and the promotion of conference facilities and Tullie House as a wedding venue had increased.

The Panel were supportive of the exhibitions in Tullie House and hoped that other areas of Carlisle's history would be exhibited in the museum. Ms Wade confirmed that the Trust wanted to exhibit a variety of exhibitions and themes and encouraged ideas to come forward.

Mr Smith welcomed the support of the Panel and felt that temporary exhibits were the key to making Tullie House stand out and attract more visitors.

Ms Wade confirmed that the outcome of the review of charges and the development plan would be available for consideration by the Panel before October 2012.

RESOLVED – That report CD.28/11 be welcomed.