# **HERTS YEAR OF CULTURE – PROJECTS / ACTIVITIES / IDEAS**

Cross District Partner Projects	Who with / Partners	Genre
<ul> <li>Nothing on Earth – Herts Heroines.</li> <li>Workshops and performance project celebrating achievements of and pioneering women in Herts and Dacorum</li> <li>Intergenerational workshops for Supported Housing Tenants – R&amp;D taking place 2/10</li> <li>Wrap around local activities such as exhibitions /workshops in schools and the community</li> <li>Research and development phase for the workshops and performance has been funded by Arts Council and is taking place this autumn with a funding application being submitted for the full project on completion of this.</li> <li>Exhibition and associated activities currently in planning stages.</li> <li>Meeting with Dacorum Heritage Hub on 20<sup>th</sup> Aug. re involvement/partnering</li> </ul>	Trestle Theatre, St Albans Watford Palace Theatre Hertford Theatre DBC Dacorum Heritage Trust? DBC Supported Housing	Theatre / drama / storytelling
<ul> <li>Partner Investment Programme (PIP) with Herts Cultural Education Partnership (HCEP)</li> <li>Herts Wide Partner Programme to deliver creative activity/projects for young people to address needs in identified areas of income deprivation</li> <li>Includes a needs analysis of young people (11-19yrs) in areas of income deprivation</li> <li>HCEP has been awarded 65k funded from Royal Opera House (ROH) Bridge for the PIP (ROH Bridge funding comes from the Arts Council)</li> <li>Uni of Herts investing 25k – undertaking needs analysis of partner areas in autumn with delivery of activity in 2020</li> <li>HCEP is a cross-sector group of stakeholders drawn from the local authority, education and culture to ensure wider access to arts and culture for all young people in Hertfordshire, particularly those who are more disadvantaged.</li> <li>ROH work with schools, LA's, education partners, creative and cultural organisations to enable and increase access to arts and culture for YP.</li> <li>Confirmed activity. HCEP working group meeting and contract signing in Sept.</li> </ul>	Royal Opera House Bridge Herts Cultural Education Partnership (HCEP) DBC Uni of Herts Watford BC Welwyn Hatfield Letchworth (North Herts Council) West Herts College	Young people
<ul> <li>Dance Project (in discussion/ planning stages)</li> <li>A high quality collaborative project of intergenerational, digital and community driven dance work with communities in 3 districts. Working with professional dance and film orgs. Includes 4 elements:</li> <li>'Seek and Hide' - dance, digital/tech, film/animation workshops with sound, augmented reality, intergenerational.</li> </ul>	DBC Watford BC Three Rivers BC BEEE Creative Dacorum Community Dance	Dance Digital Film Music Multi media

<ul> <li>District Whispers – project with schools, passing on a dance phrase</li> <li>'Musical statues' dance film – using sculptures/statues/ public art pieces to inspire and create dance – outdoor project/film</li> <li>Photography exhibition and performance/festival – culmination of project</li> <li>CPD and mentoring opps. for dance artists</li> <li>Joint Arts Council application to be written and submitted by BEEE Creative in Sept.</li> </ul>	Professional/national dance artists and companies	
<ul> <li>Local activities/projects/ideas</li> <li>The Marlowes Centre         <ul> <li>Event/activities each month to fit the themes</li> <li>HYOC activity tables in shopping mall for organisations to book – to promote their orgs/work and offer creative activities</li> <li>Use of empty units by community groups for activities, exhibitions or pop up creative spaces for artists/makers</li> <li>Participation Arts Trail— starting at Sunnyside Rural Trust. Chickens/hens (Hemel Hens) all around the town, a trail. Sponsored by businesses with schools and community involvement. Possible in May or August (Big Outdoors/ Families and Friends months). Similar animal trails have had huge success in other towns (pigs in Ipswich, cows in Milton Keynes).</li> <li>Community artwork on hoarding (during cinema development) – use for community art piece, involve schools – possibly A' level art students, facilitated by professional artist</li> <li>Fun Palace in October – in partnership with library and WHC</li> <li>Planning stages – meeting gain on 19/8</li> <li>Speaking/presenting at HYOC2020 Info Event in Sept.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	The Marlowes BID Shops and local businesses Primary / Secondary Schools Community Sunnyside Rural Trust?	
<ul> <li>West Herts College</li> <li>Exhibitions of work in public foyer areas – encouraging people into the building and promoting courses/skills development: photography, dressmaking, floristry, cake decoration (adult creative course work)</li> <li>Promote adult creative courses – Try Something New month (Jan)</li> <li>Student volunteering / work experience for cultural events and projects – to contact Sue Hill, discuss with Volunteer Centre</li> <li>Willing to host any funded workshops as have facilities and resources.</li> <li>Fun Palace in October 2020 in partnership with Library and The Marlowes Centre</li> </ul>		Dressmaking Photography Cake decorating/ food

Initial meeting of ideas and discussion with Louise Thurston at Dacorum Campus – to meet again in Autumn	
<ul> <li>Business Investment District (BID)</li> <li>Using monthly themes to programme public events and activities, involving the BID businesses</li> <li>In planning stages – met with Naomi Watkins, BID Manager</li> <li>Joint meeting with The Marlowes Centre to progress plans and collaborations on 19/8/19</li> </ul>	The Marlowes Centre
<ul> <li>Boxmoor Trust</li> <li>Programming new and existing activities to fit into monthly themes, etc. E.g.</li> <li>Jan – try something new – Big Birdwatch by Camelot Rugby Club</li> <li>Feb- WF development &amp; volunteering – offer CPD days – group volunteering days</li> <li>March – Access the Arts – photography competition for schools</li> <li>April – go somewhere local – launching 101 things to do / lambing weekend</li> <li>May - Big Outdoors – everything! Fishery wharf Canal Fest – open up cressbeds (Alan Rook – fishery Wharf)</li> <li>June – Big ideas – exploring recycling and the planet – what will it look like in the future.</li> <li>Sept – Heritage – heritage and history walk (with Spirit of the Old Town)</li> <li>BT are currently programming and planning for next year</li> </ul> BT offer grants and funding, are introducing an arts grant for events/activities up to £500 https://www.boxmoortrust.org.uk/grants/	Fisher Wharf Café Spirit of the Old Town
Holding outdoor Shakespeare performances this year with potential of continuing next year.  British Legion  • VE celebration/ street party – May – The Great Outdoors  • Poppy Yarnbomb – November – Remembrance Day (Creative Minds theme)  • Ideas proposed by BL at Armed Forces Day – emailed Sue Rose to arrange meeting to discuss further	BID CAD? British Legion
<ul> <li>Community Action Dacorum</li> <li>Offered to put up information about HYOC2020 in and around the Roundhouse</li> <li>Promote through Radio Dacorum and hold an information event/table one weekend outside the RH (autumn?)</li> <li>Interview with Radio Dacorum 18/7/19</li> </ul>	Radio Dacorum Age UK Dacorum

Radio Dacorum HYOC2020 show Have offered free conservatory space at Centre in park for any organisation that would like to put on activities for older adults Offered 1:1 support for funding HYOC activities and have funding search tool online The staff have been asked to take responsibility for one monthly theme each - putting on activities /events for each month. Emailed new CEO and team to discuss activities across the organisation Attending HYOC2020 info event for funding advice/support Planning stages Electric Umbrella (inclusive music group) Music Access/ inclusivity FEB – Volunteering and Workforce development. **Disabled Arts** Opportunity to promote their training opportunities for musicians in Feb (to deliver inclusive music sessions). Can offer corporate training, team building for orgs - challenging perceptions of people with disabilities by working with EU. Promote volunteering opps. within EU – Feb. March – Access to the Arts – potential project Would like to source funding for a tour around mainstream schools, this has had a huge impact on schools they have visited in challenging perceptions of people with disabilities meets equality, diversity and bullying agendas. Leads to school booking EU for other events. Cost would be £400 per school tour. To source funding. Other Accessible buildings - they would like to help support buildings and venues becoming accessible – have a 5 star/umbrella rating system, similar to environmental health rating for restaurants that is supported by the council. Something for future development? Already have an Inclusive choir at Breakspeare School in Abbots Langley on Wed nights 6.30-8.30pm. Offer weekly music sessions for adults with disabilities every week at Nash Mills **Recreation Centre** Ideas discussed at meeting in April - EU are looking to apply to Community Grants for

funding to help support activities. To meet again over summer with regards to progress.

Mediation Dacorum	Library?	Literature
<ul> <li>To write and publish a book of the story of the Mediation Herts, from its inception at DBC. Its heritage history and success – celebrate partnership working, the work they do and the importance of conflict resolution/mediation skills for health, wellbeing and happiness in communities.</li> <li>Victoria has scoped out a book, to be resourced to be written and published.</li> <li>Launch event and activities at library/forum plus education workshops, exhibition</li> <li>Would like to launch in Feb – volunteering and workforce development month</li> <li>Currently trying to source funding and sponsorship to support this project idea – supporting Victoria with this</li> <li>In planning and meeting stages – project proposal written</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Hemel Library</li> <li>Willing to work in partnership with DBC to hold events/activities in atrium area – potential partnership agreement? Keen to increase footfall and use of their space by the public.</li> <li>Creator space – can offer tasters in January on digital/tech equipment (3D printer, Photoshop)</li> <li>Walking book group – group that reads a book and discusses on walks</li> <li>Fun Palaces - expand to the smaller/community libraries and The Marlowes Centre</li> <li>Arts trail linking Fun Palaces</li> <li>Could make sculptures from 3D printer – workshops? Auction off afterwards</li> <li>Potential of using atrium space for exhibitions/awareness info stands</li> <li>Library already celebrates Get Creative week and other national creative events that can be promoted under HYOC</li> <li>Will promote all existing activities under HYOC2020 umbrella</li> <li>Fun Palace pilot event taking place in October in partnership with DBC – additional activities for next year in planning stages.</li> </ul>	DBC Community organisations Get Creative (national) Fun Palaces (national)	Digital / tech Arts / crafts Literature Theatre/performances Creative/ digital tech
<ul> <li>Gobstoppers Theatre Co. Berkhamsted</li> <li>Focus on wellbeing through drama and arts</li> <li>Planning a Shakespeare festival/ performance at the castle in the summer</li> <li>Magical Mystery Tour as part of a Beatles concert in Jan to offer recording opportunities</li> <li>Offer a weekly adult choir – Glee club</li> <li>In planning stages – seeking funding support, applying to Community Grants?</li> </ul>		Theatre/ drama Singing

<ul> <li>Dacorum Heritage Trust</li> <li>Exhibition in October (theme TBC, possibly the Heroines themes, working with Trestle Theatre and partners?)</li> <li>Workshops and events throughout year on the chosen theme</li> <li>Heritage and history month activities - September</li> <li>Opportunity to promote their school workshops programme</li> <li>In discussion – waiting to hear if would like to link with Heroines project</li> </ul>		History/heritage
<ul> <li>Berko Fest</li> <li>Book festival - May</li> <li>Music festival - September</li> <li>Seeking funding for a large festival in castle grounds – late August bank holiday to celebrate 950<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Launch pad for September heritage month?</li> <li>Berkhamsted School, keen to support and be involved in local events to change perceptions of the school - to arrange meeting</li> <li>Event at Cricket club celebrating women in cricket and heritage as a pioneering club</li> <li>Chatter tables – addressing loneliness (at Cricket Club)</li> <li>Invited to attend Berkhamsted Chamber of Commerce breakfast meeting</li> <li>Some fixed events, other ideas in planning stages (festival, cricket club event, chatter tables)</li> <li>Seeking funding opportunities – supporting with this and meeting in the autumn with CAD once their programmed is confirmed</li> </ul>	Berkhamsted School Berkhamsted Cricket Club Heritage groups Age UK	Literature Music History/heritage
<ul> <li>Dacorum Business Ambassadors / Connect Dacorum</li> <li>Attended network meeting in May</li> <li>Press release sent to all Ambassadors in April – advocating HYOC2020</li> <li>Presenting at networking meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> Sept.</li> <li>Sponsorship opps./ CSR support / workforce creativity</li> <li>Skills development</li> <li>Corporate volunteering activities</li> <li>Connecting the business and cultural communities</li> <li>Promoting the creative industries and creative career opps.</li> <li>Working with Claire Furnell- Williams on 15/8 to plan presentation and business approach for involvement</li> </ul>		Creative Careers/jobs Skills development Volunteering

<ul> <li>Sportspace</li> <li>Would like to put on activities in venue around borough around monthly themes</li> <li>Supporting project to put on DJ / Live music nights at XC Centre – Community Grants applications</li> <li>Meeting held 4/7/19</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Where is Home – sustainable music festival</li> <li>Proposal received and met with organisers</li> <li>They have spoken with Licensing – seeking suitable site.</li> <li>Supporting to find suitable location/sites and funding</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Dacorum Community Dance</li> <li>Dacorum dancing community film</li> <li>Involve local groups and businesses in know locations in Dacorum</li> <li>Seek sponsorship from business involvement</li> <li>Explore funding options</li> <li>To meet with Alex – meeting postponed to rearrange in Aug.</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>CSG /Environmental Services/ Parks and Open Spaces</li> <li>Herts Parks will be leading on Big Outdoors month countywide – health walks, etc.</li> <li>Outdoor film screenings in parks. – potentially involve Tring Community Cinema. Look into BFI Film Hub funding. In discussion stages with Rob Cassidy – to pick up again over summer.</li> <li>Contacted Mel Parr -Environmental Projects Lead – awaiting response</li> </ul>	Environmental Service Regeneration Housing/ Tenancy Osborne Property Services Everyone Active Library The Marlowes Centre WHC	Art / craft Film Environment Intergenerational Professional theatre/performances
<ul> <li>Regeneration</li> <li>Water Gardens activities and promotion – link Susan Jellicoe project with Herts Heroines partner project?</li> <li>Education resource pack – promote and encourage schools to visit WG.</li> <li>Public arts trail – promote DBC's public art pieces around the borough</li> <li>Planning and ideas stage – meetings held with Claire Covington / Jacqui Sandars</li> </ul>		

### **Tenant Engagement**

- Tenant Academy programme to promote creative sessions under HYOC2020
- Met with TA Officer discussed Cultural Cookery Course in 2020, to meet again in autumn once TA budget confirmed
- Sheltered Housing intergenerational workshops as art of Herts Heroines project confirmed and arranged

## **Cycle Hub**

- Culture project to promote and raise profile exploring funding options and project ideas
- Community Health and wellbeing event proposed project working with Claire Foster, subject to Cycle Hub developments

#### Fun Palace in The Forum

- In partnership with library, WHC, The Marlowes Centre increase footfall along The Marlowes and into public spaces
- Pilot Fun Palace taking place 5<sup>th</sup> October with a view to rolling out next year for HYOC. Interest from The Marlowes Centre and WHC Dacorum campus.

#### Contractors:

#### Osborne

- Interesting in offering a programme of events around monthly themes and skills development opportunities and supporting other projects, events.
- Initial meeting 2/7/19

# **Everyone Active –**

- Victoria Coady contacting EA re holding events in their space
- Claire Foster working with EA outreach Cultural Olympiad month
- Discussion stage meeting with Claire Foster 19/38 re sports related projects

Other:	
<ul> <li>The Old Town Hall</li> <li>Part of the countywide HYOC venues group – first meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> July (along with other Dacorum venues such as Rex Cinema and Pendley Manor Theatre)</li> <li>Professional programme of theatre, music, comedy, family shows.</li> </ul>	
Schools	
<ul> <li>Creative cultural / creative resource pack – ideas, resources and materials</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Promoting local organisation/education offers, as well as online and national initiatives</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Youth Conference/parliament/debate event – working with ROH Bridge</li> </ul>	