

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

**LEISURE ARTS AND CULTURE
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MUSIC4U PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT

- 1.1 To approve a partnership agreement with Music4U.
- 1.2 The key points of this report are as follows.
- North Lincolnshire Arts Development has been a partner with Music4U since 2001. The partnership agreement is due for renewal.
 - Music4U is the youth music action zone for the Humber region and has partnership agreements with the East Riding of Yorkshire Council, Hull City Council and North East Lincolnshire Council as well as seeking a partnership agreement with North Lincolnshire Council.
 - Music4U offers funding for music activities for young people

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 Music4U is one of 22 Youth Music Action Zones operating across the country.
- 2.2 Music4u has five core objectives: developing music making with early years; encouraging young people to continue to make music during the transition from primary to secondary education; bringing music opportunities to young people at risk; to provide CPD opportunities for local musicians; and, singing.
- 2.3 It was set up in the Humber Region in September 2001 and since this time more than 22,000 young people up to the age of 18 have taken part in wide range of music related activities.
- 2.4 North Lincolnshire Council has previously had two, three-year partnership agreements with Music4u. The first for 2001 – 2003, and then later in 2004-2007.
- 2.5 Past projects have included music sessions working with deaf and hearing impaired children, Bollywood and Bhangra sessions led by the internationally known percussionist Kuljit Bhrama, Rock and DJ workshops delivered in partnership with youth services

2.6 The partnership agreement for consideration is for two years running from 2008 to 2010.

3. OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

3.1 The options available are limited to the following.

3.1.1 To agree the partnership agreement with Music4U.

3.1.2 To not approve the partnership agreement with Music4U.

4. ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS

4.1 To agree the partnership agreement with Music4U.

◆ A partnership with Music4U will bring additional funding into North Lincolnshire Council and will allow a range of music activities to take place with young people. Already proposed is a series of rock workshops working with Youth Services, a transition project with Melior Community College for Business, Enterprise and the Arts (Melior College) and a drumming project with the children from St. Hugh's Communication and Interaction Specialist College (St Hugh's).

4.2 To not approve the partnership agreement with Music4U.

◆ This would mean that the Arts Development Service would have to reduce the amount of music activity with young people in North Lincolnshire or apply for other grants.

5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL, STAFFING, PROPERTY, IT)

5.1 Financial

5.1.1 The agreement proposes that in 2008-9 North Lincolnshire Council will pay Music4U £5,000. Music4U in turn will release funds to North Lincolnshire for £15,000 to be spent on a youth music programme in North Lincolnshire Council.

5.1.2. It is proposed that in 2009-10 North Lincolnshire Council will pay £6,000 to Music4U and again Music4U will release £15,000 to be spent on youth music in North Lincolnshire.

5.1.3. Costs for this partnership can be met from within the Arts Development revenue budget.

5.2 Staffing, Property and IT

5.2.1 The Arts Development Officer manages the Music4U programme on behalf of North Lincolnshire Council.

5.2.2 There are no implications for property or IT.

6. OTHER IMPLICATIONS (STATUTORY, ENVIRONMENTAL, DIVERSITY, SECTION 17 - CRIME AND DISORDER, RISK AND OTHER)

6.1 The Music4U partnership delivers a number of positive diversity related outcomes. This is by encouraging participation in music with a range of under represented groups and as an example working on specific projects with young people with special educational needs in conjunction with St Hugh's. Previous projects include work with children with hearing impairments. The objectives of Music4U include achieving specific outcomes relating to children at risk.

6.2 Encouraging positive participation in music can achieve positive outcomes in providing constructive activity toward reducing crime and disorder, particularly among younger people.

7. OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION

7.1 All proposed partners for this year's activity, i.e. St Hugh's, Melior College and Youth Services are keen for the projects to go ahead.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

8.2 To approve the partnership agreement with Music4U for the period 2008-2010.

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