**update 30th September 2016**

**Summary**

Our focus is currently accommodation. Without solving this riddle a robust and confident production budget is difficult. That's where our current focus is.

**Creative**

Prologue script draft is completed and distributed. Awaiting comments from Sodium.

Work continues on Part Two draft with a deadline of the end of October still planned.

**Production**

Victoria Dock Site confirmed. Liaising and engaging with local residents and stakeholders.

**Crew/Casting**

Currently beginning to cast Gloriana. Initial meetings are being scheduled. Ideally we would have a Gloriana secured by early December. Casting is inevitably going to be piecemeal as the plays develop. The ambition to have a strong, central representation of actors from the North has been identified.

**Locations**

Contact has been made with Community association, Drypool councillors and local residents. A process of engagement will continue this autumn in hand with the search for accommodation and development of site prep. Next step will be to secure a premises license for Victoria Dock.

**Licensing**

Katy and Chris Clay are currently exploring the premises license application process.

**Marketing**

Initial comms meeting very positive. Lead Flood marketing contact from Hull 2017 to be determined this week. Initial marketing strategy expected ahead of the next producing catch up on 28th Oct.

Awaiting comms/PR strategy from Corner Shop.

**Financial**

**Digital**

Space Application was short-listed.

Developed documents submitted to Performance Live.

Awaiting outcome of overlapping conversations with The Space / BBC about funding

**Access**

Joanna to follow up with Lindsey on her return as following initial access conversations it will be good to clarify where this is left and who is leading on developing this part of the offer: particularly around signed and titled performances.

**Other**

Having discussed proposed sites for the Airstream caravan tour (w/c 27th Feb) work is underway to secure permissions for the agreed locations. Katy to provide contact details for the Walton Street Market and Tesco in Orchard Park.