**WOW – Circle of Friends**

Date & Time: Friday 4th November 12-2pm

Location: Room 3 Danish Buildings, 44-46 High Street, Hull, HU1 1PS

Apologies: Angela Murden, Marianne LS, Alison White (Bishop of Hull), Lisa Mayes, Barbara
Garbher, Anna G, Sharon Darley, Tracy Henry, Sandra Ackroyd, Freya, Cllr Mary Glew, Helen Thackery, Jessica Leathley, Suzanne Hughes

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**AGENDA / NOTES & ACTIONS**

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|  | **Item** | **Presenter / *Action*** |
| **1.** | **Introductions** * Circle New Members - introducing Wendy Williamson; Kirsty Clode and Suzanne Hughes who will represent Chief Constable Justine Curran.
 | **HD** |
| **2.** | **Thinkins Update / Feedback:*** M'OR is talking with the Southbank Centre in regards to headliners for the festival.
* All six Thinkins scheduled took place; MO'R shared the common themes
* Approx 120 people attended overall. PAVE was the highest attendance.
* Discussions started as to how we can involve the care and support / nursing industry and women within these roles.
 | **MO’R****LH** |
| **3.**  | **WOW at the Mercure Hotel – 21st November – 6-8pm*** Jude Kelly & Kate Fox will speak at the 21st Nov.
* The WOW(Manifesto) (name TBC) will be created.
 | **LH** |
| **4.**  | **Craft Project - Name TBC*** Artist call-out and project to be launched at the 21st November.
* Ian Read, Hull 2017 Director of Learning, will be leading on the participation project, in which something will be created by craft groups of the city. Using the form of both Knitting and Crocheting.
* The making of the installation will happen between Jan-March.
* Suggestions for potential participatory groups were discussed: Open Doors Craft Club, Newland Residence Assoc
* Karen Okra to pass onto contacts for Lee Karen Stow and the work she is doing with the Refugee group.
* Donations of wool may be needed – please pass onto contacts if you can help with this. Clare Suggitt offered her spare wool.
* LH/M 'OR to contact wool/craft shops in Hull (Babes in the Wool – Newland Ave, Boyes)
* LY suggested parents teaching their children to knit.
* **Suggestions for knitting / craft groups to be sent to LH**
* **Donations of wool to be offered to Ian Read.**
 | **IR*****MO'R & LH*****ALL CIRCLE MEMBERS**  |
| **5.**  | **Barbara Buttrick*** LH & MO'R met in person (in the UK – not Miami) with Barbara Buttrick to discuss her involvement in WOW Hull.
* MO'R/LH to link with KR Youth Sports and SPORT ENGLAND.
* Young girls have to drop out of sport teams because when they get to certain age there aren't separate facilities for them. How do we change this?
 | **LH** |
| **6.**  | **Pop-Up Cinema Update*** The pop-up cinema will run from Friday to Sunday of the festival.
* There will be 5-6 different films, some screened more than once at different times to allow audiences to access.
* Envisage approx 50 seat cinema
* Red Carpet Screening event in main City Hall to close the festival.
* **Ideas for films to be sent to** **wow@hull2017.co.uk**
 | **LH****ALL CIRCLE MEMBERS** |
| **7.**  | **Mary Murdoch Exhibition*** Event at Hull History Centre 15th November - Karen O to circulate information to COF.
 | **LH** |
| **8.**  | **Next Circle Meeting - at Hull 2017 offices*** Friday 9 December
* Friday 24 February
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| **9.**  | **AOB*** **Programming Ideas:**

A) A 'misogyny box' - I.e like a swear box – that money is put in every time someone says something misogynistic. B) How do we get the Women's Prisons (York/Doncaster) involved?C) Helen Sharman, and getting her to the festival. * **Women's Equality Party:**

WEP was started because of WOW 2012 at Southbank. First Conference is in Manchester – 25th to 27th November 2016. Tish Dalby from the COF is going. Aim is to launch Hull Branch of the party during/at WOW Hull. * Recommendation to contact Claire Crowther in regards to her Unconscious Bias workshop, and to invite to the 21st November.
 | **MO'R** |