[Track 1] Welcome to this introduction to **In With a Bang!** –a spectacular event presented in association with Arco, marking the beginning of Hull’s reign as the City of Culture 2017.

The audio-described event takes place on Sunday 1st January. The fun starts at 6pm and the firework display is at 8.17pm. You are advised to arrive in plenty of time to get through the ticket check.

The live audio description will be given for Vocaleyes by Anne Hornsby.

[For the CD and website version] The following introduction will take about 5 minutes to listen to and includes publicity and practical information for the event. This is followed by an advance description of a film which will be shown on the night, and finally some contact details. All VocalEyes introductions are available as both an audio file and a text document, in the 'What's On' section of the VocalEyes website, www.vocaleyes.co.uk.

[Track 2] At 8.17pm on Sunday 1st January 2017, an epic firework display will fill the skies above Hull. Set to the sounds of the city it will mark the start of Hull's year in the spotlight as UK City of Culture 2017.

The display over the Humber will be accompanied by a Hull-inspired musical soundtrack with recorded music by bands and musicians associated with Hull. It will also include the film *Made In Hull,* a unique multimedia journey into more than 70 years of the City's history.

**Where to go on the day**

The seating area for audio description users is at Minerva Pier, near to Humber Dock Street and Humber Place. These streets run between the Fruit Market and Hull Marina. Headsets can be collected from a covered stand and there will be staff and volunteers to help.

The area is central, with blue badge parking close by, about 100 metres away.

Further parking will be available in the following car parks, which are open 24 hours:

Albion Street, George Street, Pryme Street, Station Car Park, Tower Street. Princes Quay car park is open until 11pm.

Special New Years Day bus services will run throughout the afternoon and into evening from many areas of the city into the city centre, including the Priory Park Park and Ride service.  There will be additional trains running after the fireworks. Further information is available from the 'In With A Bang' transport page of the Hull 2017 website: hull2017.co.uk.

Please note all bus services departing the city both afternoon and evening will depart from Hull Paragon Interchange only. Park and Ride service to Priory Park will depart from the City Centre.

**Made In Hull**

A film will be showing on the evening, which celebrates the City of Hull – this is a montage of landmarks in and around the City, of people from the City and of people talking about the City. There will not be much opportunity to describe the film as it happens, so here is some information about what it contains.

In the quickly moving collation, footage of famous faces and bands is interspersed with period and modern film. Footage from the past shows us: deep sea trawlers and trains, Ska dancing in a club, dodgems at the fairground, an open top bus; modern views give us glimpses of city buildings, including Hull Marina’s The Deep aquarium, the Lightstream Stadium, (home of Hull Kingston Rovers,), the Humber Bridge, the Tidal Barrier, Scale Lane swing bridge, the Mural showing Nelson Mandela. And there are views of important statues around the city, including that of King Billy, William the third, of Andrew Marvell and of Sir William de la Pole. A memorable section shows Hull City FC’s Dean Windass scoring the winning goal in the Premier League play-offs at Wembley 2008!

Famous faces appearing include:

Rowan Atkinson, as Blackadder; Izzy Suttie as Dobby from the *Peep Show* with David Mitchell; Sarah Holcomb, as Clorette DePasto and Tom Hulce as Larry Kroger in the film *Animal House.* There's David Jason as Del Boy with Nicholas Lyndhurst as Rodney; Ronnie Pickering on YouTube; Jenny and Lee from *Gogglebox*; Phil Jupitus; Alexei Sayle as the pub landlord; and Sean Bean as Ned Stark from *Game of Thrones*.

Bands, musicians and groups include: Roland Gift and the *Fine Young Cannibals*, Red Guitars, Chiedu (*Chee doo)* Oraka, The HouseMartins, Itchdoctor, Jools Holland, Everything But the Girl, Sade, Mick Ronson, Woody Woodmansey and David Bowie as Ziggy Stardust with the *Spiders from Mars.*

**Further useful information and Contact Details**

More information is available on the event website at: hull2017.co.uk/whatson/events/in-with-a-bang-new/. Or you can do an internet search for 'Hull In With A Bang', which will take you directly to the web page.

You can contact the Box Office at: boxoffice@hull2017.co.uk.

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