

**Commission for Diversity in the Public Realm,
City Hall / Online**

24 January 2023 | 14:00 – 16:00

Record of the meeting

Chair(s):

Justine Simons OBE, Deputy Mayor for Culture and Creative Industries,
Dr. Debbie Weekes-Bernard, Deputy Mayor for Communities and Social Justice.

Attendees

Commissioners

Binki Taylor
Eleanor Pinfield
David Bryan (online)
Jack Guinness
Lynette Nabbosa
Pedro Gil
Robert Bevan (online)
Zoé Whitley

Apologies

Aindrea Emelife, Gillian Jackson, Jasvir Singh, Keith Magee, Sandy Nairne

1) Introduction and Welcome

2) Commission Overview and Update:

- Team presented updates on the programme delivery
- Untold Stories
 - Update on Rd1 projects
 - Round 2 decision to applicants end of January 2023
 - Round 2 projects to be announced end of February 2023
 - Projects to commence from March 2023
- [London Unseen 2022](#): Walks and Tours:
 - Reflection of season
 - More than 50 walks, talks and events hosted, with more than 1500 attendees
 - Trailer of the closing event film:
https://twitter.com/LDN_Culture/status/1617873651549995008?s=20&t=3Ckq1L4pFbqyRXjybXNcRA
 - Film of the season: <https://youtu.be/f5DuLWrQCP4>
- Podcast series
 - Our London, Our Spaces 'What Makes a Londoner' (working title)
 - 8-episodes, engaged over 1000 people and featuring voices across the board
 - To be released Spring 2023
- Other updates
 - Impact of racism – Community engagement team looking at creating wider resource across the GLA to ensure duty of care embedded in our work going forward.
 - Report on how the Bristol commission is progressing and some of the key differences in approach. Further discussion to be had in a direct exchange.

3) Deep Dive on Emblematic Projects

The group divided into three groups and discussed approaches and support for the emblematic projects on the path to being realised in the next few years, Areas raised include involvement of Councils; Supporting artists throughout the process; educational legacies for each project; learning from international gold standards of engagement; involving the public and key stakeholders from

- Community activist / grassroots groups
- Schools' involvement
- Academia - to balance with factual and to create global conversations
- Identify people / organisations around the world doing similar work

- European exemplars
- Diaspora communities
- Media sponsor(s)
- Groups with specialist expertise

4) Key Milestones looking to 2023

- Shaping our work with Boroughs - borough toolkit and series of borough workshops
- Untold Stories projects in delivery – and incorporating into evaluation and case studies
- Podcast Launch
- London Unseen
- First announcements of Emblematic Projects

4) AOB

- **Future meetings**
 - Spotlight on schools
 - Spotlight on boroughs and hardwiring schools / boroughs / policies / arts practice
- Date of next Commissioner's meeting: **Tuesday 16 May, 14:00 – 16:00. In person at City Hall**
- Closing statements, and thanks by Deputy Mayor Justine Simons
- Future Commission dates
 - Tuesday, 11 July 2023 14:00 – 16:00
 - Tuesday, 3rd October 2023 14:00 – 16:00
 - Tuesday, 28 November 2023 14:00 – 16:00