

# S-CEP update

Edition 1 - December 2016

Sheffield is one of the first wave of cities that are launching a Cultural Education Partnership (CEP). This is part of an initiative by Arts Council England, led by CapeUK (as the Arts Council Bridge Organisation in Yorkshire and the Humber), to develop sustainable high quality cultural education.

The Sheffield CEP will work with schools, the local authority, voluntary and community organisations, arts and cultural organisations, further and higher education, music education hubs and funders to drive a joined-up local arts and cultural offer. The S-CEP will facilitate the sharing of resources and knowledge in order to ensure a more coherent and visible delivery of cultural education for children & young people in Sheffield.

In Sheffield, **Learn Sheffield** and the **Culture Consortium** have joined forces with **CapeUK** to kick-start this exciting opportunity.

## What's happened so far?

Our initial development meeting at Learn Sheffield on 9<sup>th</sup> September 2016 saw strong representation from across all sectors. As well as identifying the successes of Sheffield's current offer, we also discussed challenges and gaps in provision. The presentations from the workshop are on the webpage below.

<http://www.learnsheffield.co.uk/Partnerships/Cultural-Education-Partnership>

Since September, there have been follow up events for school leaders (as part of the Sheffield Priorities Day on 10<sup>th</sup> October), a meeting with the Cultural Consortium and a staggering number of 1:1 meetings with a very wide range of stakeholders. These discussions, which continue, are supporting the discussion about how the S-CEP could work and what its priorities should be.

A focus group has taken forward this work and will lead the next workshop event – see below. Our plan is that this small focus group will expand to become a Development Steering Group: a task and finish group that will offer governance to the S-CEP through the initial consultation phase. We hope to launch the S-CEP formally early in 2017 with a six month action plan. By the end of this phase the S-CEP will have a more formal governance structure and a well-informed longer term action plan.

Inclusion sits at the heart of the CEP. We want to promote the idea that all children & young people should be able to access quality cultural opportunities without restriction or limitation of any kind. We want the young people in our city to feel they belong, are engaged and connected.

## What's next?

The next step is an open workshop that will help determine the structure, objectives and action plan as the Sheffield Cultural Education Partnership is launched. It will be held on **Tuesday 17th January 2017**, from **1:00-3:30pm at Learn Sheffield** Training and Development Hub, Lees Hall Road, Sheffield, S8 9JP.

To book onto the workshop please follow the link ... <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/sheffield-cultural-education-partnership-workshop-tickets-29743201717> and if you have any questions please contact Sophie Hunter ... [sophie.hunter@capeuk.org](mailto:sophie.hunter@capeuk.org)

**We would really appreciate it if delegates could read the four documents marked with a \* on the website (see above) before the workshop – they aren't very long and this newsletter is one of them!**

## Workshop Questions

- What do we mean by cultural education?
- What is the vision for the S-CEP and what are its aims and objectives?
- How do we explain the S-CEP in its simplest form?
- Should the S-CEP have another name?
- Why does this project matter? What's in it for everyone?
- What will be different because the S-CEP exists? In six months? In two years?

## S-CEP Action Plan (Feb-July 2017): A Starter For Ten

Some potential objectives for the Development Steering Group to deliver in the first months – for discussion at the workshop and more widely!

| 1. Draft the S-CEP Partnership Agreement – hold a consultation |                                  |                                   |   |
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| Vision, Aims & Objectives                                      | Governance Structure             | Roles & Responsibilities          | Memorandum of Understanding               |
| 2. Write the Finance Strategy                                  |                                  | 3. Set up a Research Collective   |   |
| Identify & secure initial investment                           | S-CEP Financial Plan             | Identify initial questions        | Identify resources & complete first phase |
| 4. Sheffield 'Online Resource' Development                     |                                  | 5. Training offer                 | 6. Write TOC                              |
| Collect resources on the current website                       | Develop the new full site        | Develop an initial training offer | Complete a Theory of Change document      |
| 7. Develop a Communication Strategy                            |                                  |                                   | 8. Transition                             |
| Develop branding   | PR Strategy to build recognition | Partner Engagement                | July 2017 – Dec 2018 Action Plan          |

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