

CIVIC RELATED VISITS

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| Lord Mayors Parlour 1 Officer | Albert, France | 23 April 2016 | <p>To meet with officials to discuss final arrangements to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the First World War in particular the centenary of the Battle of the Somme</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final arrangements were made for the commemorative events on the centenary of the Battle of the Somme and the collaborative project between the Town of Albert, Birmingham City Council and the CBSO. | <p>£197 Eurostar/train £175 Subsistence £22 Authorised by Angela Probert</p> |
| Lord Mayor's Parlour Councillor Ray Hassall 1 Officer | Orlando, USA | 6-14 May 2016 | <p>To support injured military personnel at the Invictus Games 2016</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All of the military personnel taking part in this year's Games for Team GB were treated at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham. Many were from Regiments that have been granted the Freedom of the City. The visit also showed the City's support for the amazing work taking place at both the Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham, Fisher House, and the city's Universities, especially BCU of which the Lord Mayor is Chancellor; as well as supporting the injured military personnel who have any connection with this City. By attending the Invictus Games, the Lord Mayor was also able to fly the flag' for Birmingham and it was mentioned at the British Ambassador's reception that the Birmingham was the only UK city to have Civic representation at the Games | <p>£7,689 Flights £3,628 Accommodation £3,429 Subsistence £632 Authorised by Cllr John Clancy/Angela Probert</p> |

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| Lord Mayors Parlour Councillor Carl Rice 1 Officer | Albert, France Ypres, Belgium | 30 June – 5 July 2016 | <p>To participate in events relating to the 100th Anniversary of the First World War, in particular the centenary of the Battle of the Somme</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Further renewed and strengthened connections between Albert and Birmingham. Birmingham was one of just 3 Cities/Towns invited to take part in the formal commemorations for the 100th anniversary of the Battle of the Somme. • Saw the culmination of a 3 year project with the CBSO to support the commemorations, with CBSO musicians and Youth Chorus undertaking 2 performances at the Cathedrale de Notre Dame in Albert. • At Ypres, the Lord Mayor led the Last Post ceremony at the Menin Gate, reading the Kohima and laying a wreath. | <p>£1,966 Eurostar/Car hire £1,227 Accommodation £495 – cost of accommodation in Albert met by Albert Subsistence £244 Authorised by Councillor John Clancy</p> |

PARTNER CITIES RELATED VISITS

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| Councillor John Clancy European and International Affairs 1 Officer | Chicago, USA | 31 May – 3 June 2016 | <p>To participate in Global Cities Forum. In addition to meet with Mayor Rahm Emanuel and officials to discuss our current joint work programme with Chicago City Hall</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> At the invitation of Mayor Rahm Emanuel the Leader of the Council participated in the Chicago Forum on Global Cities. The Forum comprised 500 senior representatives of Chicago's Sister and other cities. With inputs from leading experts consideration was given to the current social, economic and other global issues affecting major cities. This included resilience, finance, future planning, use of technology, young people, transportation, climate change and combating violence. The Leader also participated in a Roundtable of 20 Mayors discussing common challenges and interests. In addition the Leader had a private meeting with Mayor Emanuel to discuss current developments affecting Birmingham and Chicago as well as the strengthening of the Sister City relationship. The Leader also met with the First Deputy Commissioner, Department of Family and Support Services to discuss social service provision. Other meetings were held with Steve Bridges UK Consul – General, the Sister City Committee and staff of the Chicago Sister Cities International Programme to progress aspects of the agreed work programme between the cities. At the suggestion of Mayor Emanuel a visit was also made to U+I Labs - a major US innovation hub. Birmingham Catapult has subsequently expressed an interested in collaboration with U+I Labs. | <p>£2,957 Flights £1,843 Accommodation £960 Subsistence £154 Authorised by Councillor Ian Ward</p> |

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| European and International Affairs | Guangzhou, China | 10-17 July 2016 | <p>To progress the Birmingham/Guangzhou Sister city relationship</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meetings held with Director – General and staff of the Guangzhou People's Government Foreign Affairs Office to progress various activities within the current work programme. This includes: overall long – term objectives; identification and implementation of short stay intern exchange programme of projects and sharing of experience and good practice. These will initially focus on city / urban planning / skills enhancement and apprenticeship for young people / waste management / future governance and use of new technology / sustainability / environment / support to disadvantaged citizens / provision for increasing number of elderly citizens and economic development. • Met with individual People's Government Departmental Directors to progress individual activities e.g. aspects of joint training of student teachers with Birmingham City University and Guangzhou counterparts. This would incorporate a specific International Module devised by BCC and BCU for the benefit of Birmingham schools. • Initial discussions on proposed Football Academy in collaboration with Sport Birmingham, Sport England, Aston Villa Football Club and Football Association. • Meetings to progress BCC's application for the Guangzhou Urban Awards ceremony to be held in November 2016. • Discussions held with representatives of the Guangzhou Library regarding a month long exhibition of Library of Birmingham archive photographs in December 2016. • Discussions with Guangzhou People's Government staff on potential visit to the city by the Leader of Birmingham City Council as well a separate visit by the Lord Mayor and senior representatives of Birmingham City Council. There will also be a visit to Guangzhou by the CBSO in December. • Met with UK Deputy Consul General to discuss application for funding for Sister City engagement through the Foreign and Commonwealth Office Prosperity Fund. • Meeting with representatives of Guangzhou Development District regarding a Birmingham business support request through the China / EU "World Cities" initiative. | <p>£1,402 Flights £736 Accommodation £481 Subsistence £185 Authorised by Angela Probert</p> |

NETWORK RELATED VISITS

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| European and International Affairs – 1 Officer | Enschede, Netherlands | 11-13 April 2016 | <p>To attend a Eurocities Economic Development Forum</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chaired two working group meetings and attended a workshop on changing the governance of the the 'urban specific' working groups of Eurocities. • The two WG meetings chaired included one on Cohesion Policy (this is the European Structural and Investment Funds) and the EU Urban Agenda. Birmingham's leadership in these areas provides significant influence over urban policy and funding that can benefit the city. | <p>£534</p> <p>Flights/Train £309</p> <p>Accommodation £163</p> <p>Subsistence £62</p> <p>Authorised by Angela Probert</p> |
| Culture and Visitor Economy Councillor Ian Ward 1 Officer | Sofia, Bulgaria | 19-22 April 2016 | <p>To attend a Eurocities Culture for Cities and Regions project meeting aimed at exploring existing best practices across Europe for the investment in culture.</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The project particularly looks at the role of cultural and creative industries in economic regeneration, cultural heritage as a driver for social inclusion and culture as a means to social innovation. • The visit to Sofia focussed on new models of partnership between the cultural, public and private sectors, and new mechanisms for investment. • Sofia has been developing such models since it bid to be European Capital of Culture, and during the study visit, participants were able to learn more about models for private sector involvement in the children's museum, for combining library services with other commercial services, partnerships with national bodies, and a pilot scheme for matching private investment with public sector grants. • The visit was attended by a group of twenty people, including two "experts" appointed by the project to facilitate learning. As Birmingham has been undertaking a Cultural Investment Enquiry into just these kinds of models, the visit was helpful in considering alternatives, and has led directly to a proposition to create a challenge fund for matching private investment into culture in Birmingham. | <p>£77 for subsistence .</p> <p>Flight and accommodation costs met by Forum organisers</p> <p>Authorised by Jacqui Kennedy</p> |

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| European and International Affairs 1 Officer | Porto, Portugal | 11-13 May 2016 | <p>To attend a Eurocities Co-operation Platform meeting</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presented the EUROCITIES 2015 Annual Accounts to the EUROCITIES membership which were formally agreed. Participated in a meeting of the EUROCITIES Executive Committee, the group of 12 cities that are responsible for the strategic direction and financial management of the EUROCITIES network. Attended a briefing to update cities on EU Smart Cities policy; there are opportunities for Smart Cities funding and training. Attended a presentation with feedback on proposals received in the first call of new Urban Innovative Actions programme which was helpful as Birmingham has recently submitted a proposal to this programme. The information obtained will be useful to us in planning whether, and how, to respond to the second call later this year. | <p>£776</p> <p>Flights £482</p> <p>Accommodation £264</p> <p>Subsistence £30</p> <p>Authorised by Angela Probert</p> |
| European and International Affairs 1 Officer | Nante, France | 13-14 June 2016 | <p>To attend and Eurocities Executive meeting</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As Birmingham is Treasurer of Eurocities the latest budget/financial position of the network was presented. As well as dealing with the standard Executive items it also held discussions to agree the topic and format of the political debate that will take place at the AGM and Annual Conference in Milan in November. In normal circumstances this meeting would also have included a Council Member (usually Leader or Deputy Leader) but there was no political representation on this occasion (the first time since Birmingham rejoined the Executive Committee). | <p>£735</p> <p>Flights £575</p> <p>Accommodation £122</p> <p>Subsistence £38</p> <p>Authorised by Angela Probert</p> |

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| European and International Affairs 1 Officer | Brussels, Belgium | 28-29 June 2016 | <p>To attend a Eurocities Cohesion Policy and re-structuring Working groups</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting/workshop between Eurocities and the Head of Cabinet for Commissioner Cretu of DG Regional and Urban Affairs and an official from DG Employment. • The meeting was to input into the mid-term review of EU Cohesion Policy and the EU multi-annual financial framework. Both will influence EU funding to cities in the 2nd half of the 2014-20 programme. • Enabled 4 urban specific working groups of Eurocities to meet and progress the new governance and work programme for Eurocities input to Urban issues including EU Urban Agenda . • Met with staff at the Brussels Office and covered all Brussels based issues such as HR, financial, contract and SLA's. | <p>£247 Eurostar £112 Accommodation £120 Subsistence £15 Authorised by Angela Probert</p> |

PROFESSIONAL, FUNDING AND SPECIFIC PROJECTS RELATED VISITS

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| European and International Affairs – 1 Officer | Amsterdam, Netherlands | 6-7 April 2016 | <p>To attend an EU Urban Agenda meeting on urban poverty</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Birmingham was selected as one of only 5 EU cities to join the European Commission and Member State Governments to undertake work on addressing bottlenecks and improving EU funding, EU regulations and EU knowledge for Urban Poverty. Brainstormed the terms of reference and core priorities to include in the scoping paper to be prepared by the 'experts' for the partnership. The next meeting in Athens in September will move the completed scoping paper towards an action plan to identify and implement recommendations emerging from the partnership. | <p>£529</p> <p>Flights £320</p> <p>Accommodation £184</p> <p>Subsistence £25</p> <p>Authorised by Angela Probert</p> |

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| European and International Affairs – 1 Officer | Kingston, Jamaica | 10-17 April 2016 | <p>To support a Birmingham Commonwealth Association (BCA) Trade and Business, Local Government and Education visit</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The visit comprised the first ever Birmingham Commonwealth Association (BCA) trade mission. Formed 2 years ago the BCA was established to develop linkages between greater Birmingham and Commonwealth countries. It has a specific Trade and Business Focus Group. With support from the Department of International Trade (formerly UKTI), the Jamaica Exporters Association and the British High Commission in Kingston the delegation had representation from the health and food sectors, academia, Chamber of Commerce and Birmingham City Council. From a series of BCA, business, university, central and local government meetings a series of trade deals were completed culminating in a formal session with the Rt Hon Andrew Holness, Prime Minister of Jamaica. Specific outcomes included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medical Devices Technology International (MDTI) being awarded contracts in excess of £10 million export business over the next 5 years. Cleone Foods agreeing a distribution deal with Island Delights for food products in to the UK and beyond, requiring a £250,000 extension to the Hockley factory with an increase in exports of £1 million per annum and employment of additional staff. Birmingham City University providing a training programme for health care support staff as well as agreeing a series of curriculum, student and staff exchanges. Birmingham City Council and Kingston Council agreed a series of collaborative actions to share best practice around service delivery in relation to young people with country of heritage related activities. These to be supported from Foreign and Commonwealth Prosperity Fund. The BCA engaged with its counterpart: Kingston Commonwealth Association. The British High Commissioner highlighted the benefits for UK companies to engage with a Commonwealth of 2.2 billion people, shared language, complementary legal and business practices with a 10 – 15% saving on trade between member countries. | <p>£1,750 Flights £835 Accommodation £775 Subsistence £140 Authorised by Angela Probert</p> |

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| Digital Birmingham 2 Officers | Genoa, Italy | 19-21 April 2016 | <p>To participate in an INTERREG funded PURE COSMOS project meeting aimed at exchanging good practices on the role that public authorities play in enhancing the competitiveness of SMEs by improving business climate and support in which they operate.</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project partners brought together to understand the project processes that have to be followed in order to claim the European Funding that has been awarded as part of the Project Grant. • The 1st European Partner Meeting following kick-off identifies in more detail the work packages and the deliverables that need to be achieved in each quarter. It identifies any issues or barriers in relation to the work that has been identified and identifies potential solutions to these. • Protocols and the objectives of the project were set out as well as enabling project partners to understand each other's perspective and challenges in relation to the project. • Each partner presented their objectives and explained what they will be doing. • Birmingham is the lead on the project for Peer Reviews which aims to identify barriers and obstacles SMEs face when applying for funding, working with local authorities, applying for contracts, legislative processes and regulations and how this can become more streamlined and improved to help businesses become more competitive. • All partners within the project will undertake a baseline survey of SMEs that will ask specific questions to understand the issues that SMEs face. The peer review will then take the results of the survey and working with experts identify potential solutions that can be identified to address specific challenges. • A regional stakeholder group made up of senior decision makers from across Birmingham representing specific areas e.g. GBSLEP, Growth Hub, BCC, Innovation Birmingham, University, Chamber of Commerce etc will help to set out the challenges that SME's face in the current climate and identify current processes and systems that are in place. • Birmingham presented the methodology that was to be followed by all partners and the processes of the peer reviews. Birmingham is the first peer review to take place 27-29th September. | <p>ALL COSTS MET BY EUROPEAN FUNDING</p> <p>Authorised by Waheed Nazir</p> |

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| Education 1 Officer | Antwerp, Belgium | 25-27 April 2016 | <p>To participate in a project aimed at improving how we engage parents within newly arrived families to help their children do well at school</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This visit was the third and final meeting of the six cities involved in the project (Glasgow, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Ghent and Antwerp). Each of the meetings was designed to share evolving action plans, visit projects and support implementation of next steps. • Seeing a project to develop local neighbourhood networks of a whole range of public, private and third sector activities working with parents of newly arrived families. • Reviewed action plans and identified ideas from across the cities involved to strengthen and enhance proposals. • Birmingham's project plan involved developing an adult education programme to be co-designed and delivered in partnership with schools. By implanting adult / family learning programmes in partnership with Adult Education services, libraries and schools, the intention was to secure improved parental engagement and equip parents with key skills to help them help their children succeed in education. • The programmes were to be designed to both increase parent's key skill such as literacy, digital literacy and numeracy but with a contextual focus on the education system. This was intended to engage parents directly in their children's learning and break down barriers between home and school by ensuring parents are less intimidated by schools. Pilot work began with adult education and schools in the Summer term of 2016, however changes in adult education personnel have delayed the roll out of this element of the programme. | £35 for subsistence. Flights and accommodation costs met by European funding Authorised by Colin Diamond |

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| | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A second strand involved the extension of the Schools of Sanctuary work in Birmingham schools. The Schools of Sanctuary programme is designed to help schools adopt a wider approach to supporting newly arrived families, promoting a range of cultural activities designed to enable children and families to grow a sense of belonging and again break down barriers as families engage with new and different educational requirements. • A number of schools are now engaged with the Schools of Sanctuary Scheme and this is likely to be extended as we develop our offer in particular to unaccompanied asylum seeker children, schools to consider engaging with the scheme in order to promote inclusive practice for newly arrived families. • As a result of our involvement in this project, Birmingham is currently exploring further work with a charitable foundation to extend support for refugee and asylum seeker families. A proposal is under development to take forwards a project that would broker legal support for undocumented minors in partnership with schools. | |
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| Culture and Visitor Economy 1 Officer | Brussels, Belgium | 28-29 April 2016 | <p>Invited to attend Voices of Culture structured intercultural dialogue meeting</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joined a cohort of Cultural officers invited from across Europe's major cultural institutions / cities. 30 delegates were brought together under the title of 'Voices of Culture' to prepare and write a report for presentation to the OMC (Open Method of Coordination) committee in June 2016. • Voices of Culture is a coordinated structured dialogue between the European Commission and the cultural sector across Europe. See attached link; http://ec.europa.eu/culture/policy/strategic-framework/european-coop_en.htm • The subject matter / title of the report was '<i>Towards an evaluation framework for effectiveness of the arts and culture in shared public spaces to promote intercultural dialogue and its impact</i>'. This subject was one of five major cultural topics (reports) being prepared by different working groups over 2015-16. • Attended working groups and discussed and agreed the contents of the proposed report. • This introduction to the OMC Voices of Culture mechanism has been a most useful tool to identify and share best practice in culture across Europe and to promote Birmingham's cultural identity to senior colleagues across the continent. | £72 for subsistence. Flights and accommodation booked and paid for by organisers |

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| Transportation 1 Officer | Lisbon, Portugal | 9-12 May 2016 | <p>To attend an OPTIMUM meeting – an EU funded research project which aims to use information technology to improve transport and traffic connectivity.</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work Package updates were given by Work Package leaders. • Pre- meeting with Project Pilot partners. Work Package updates and project management information from INTRASOFT regarding the project administration and financials. • Discussion of project progress and project pilots • Discussion on timeliness of deliverables • Venues and approximate date of the next meeting decided. | <p>ALL COSTS MET BY EUROPEAN FUNDING</p> <p>Authorised by Waheed Nazir</p> |
| Sustainability 1 Officer | Helsinki, Finland | 10-11 May 2016 | <p>To participate in a Climate Kic Transition Cities work package. Helsinki is a new project partner and undergoing its first cluster map analysis</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stakeholder Engagement event held including 9 external partners • Introduction to Transition Cities methodology delivered and discussed • Benefits to the city of Helsinki from the above methodology discussed • Partner roles and responsibilities discussed and agreed • Project plan including key milestones agreed by Stakeholders | <p>ALL COSTS MET BY EUROPEAN FUNDING</p> <p>Authorised by Waheed Nazir</p> |

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| Transportation 1 Officer | Riga, Latvia | 18-20 May 2016 | <p>To attend an Open Transport Network Project Meeting aimed at creating virtual service hubs (websites) that pull together openly available data on transport, with the aim of providing better information to citizens, encouraging small businesses to develop new transport services and ultimately to improve the travel experience of citizens</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <p>The following topics were discussed:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How the pilots are getting on with the Open User testing – how many had been completed. How can we get more users and increase the numbers. • Crowdsourcing app – Dmitrii demonstrated an app that can be used for citizens to add data to the optcities portal • Mobile App – a discussion ensued around the mobile app with pilot cities demonstrating their apps. • Tutorial for the Hub. All pilots to get involved. • Commercialisation – can the hub be commercialised? • Broad scope for visualisation discussed and agreed • Technical partners to continue to develop along the lines discussed • Birmingham to ensure that the user numbers are increased. To engage with community groups and to pilot the mobile app. • Agreed to meet again in Athens in October 2016. | <p>ALL COSTS MET BY EUROPEAN FUNDING</p> <p>Authorised by Waheed Nazir</p> |

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| Equalities Councillor Paulette Hamilton 1 Officer | Paris, France | 19-21 May 2016 | <p>Invited to speak and participate at a Cities at the heart of European democracy and citizenship</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation on key issues and challenges / data profile – Birmingham • Presentation on key developments in Birmingham around Community Engagement and cohesion. • BCC Presented Strategic overview for Birmingham /community leadership. • BCC outlined Birmingham issues and challenges post Brexit . • Good practice shared by other European Cities • Discussion around the added value of local level compared to national level • Discussion around Cities and the EU • Recommendations report to EU to be produced following Birmingham Workshop on the 30 September 2016. | £104 for subsistence. Flight and accommodation costs met by European funding Authorised by Jacqui Kennedy |
| Digital Birmingham 2 Officers | Athens, Greece | 29-31 May 2016 | <p>To participate in a City4Age project meeting aimed at new and emerging technologies with people over the age of 65 to encourage them to manage their own health and well-being to enable them to stay in their home for longer</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identified in more detail the work packages and the deliverables that need to be achieved in each quarter. It identifies any issues or barriers in relation to the work that has been identified and identifies potential solutions to these. • Workshops on the health aspects to be addressed and the interactions with human behaviours and the other stream concentrated on the technology and the platforms to be built. | ALL COSTS MET BY EUROPEAN FUNDING Authorised by Waheed Nazir |

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| | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The workshops helped to develop the next stage of the project which was get the privacy, ethics, checklists developed and the governance arrangements for the EU. • Birmingham gave presentation on their pilot and an overview of the technology to be used. • The knowledge gained from both of these meetings helps us to identify barriers, issues and challenges and which interventions/solutions work the best to address them. • Both projects involve a number of partners and allow an opportunity to learn from each other. This then can be fed back into commissioning teams to transform the way they deliver services to the elderly. • It is envisaged that by changing policy, systems, processes, and by using innovative technology to streamline services to SMEs and by enabling older people to utilise technology for daily living in this way savings and increased economic growth could result. | |
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| Regeneration 1 Officer | Brussels, Belgium | 30 May – 1 June 2016 | <p>To participate in a SEiSMiC project meeting aimed at tackling Europe's urban problems in engaging citizens, identifying social innovation needs and contributing to future urban policies and research strategies</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keynote speaker Nicolaas Beets, Urban Envoy for the EU Urban Agenda, opened the forum by sharing the news that the Pact of Amsterdam had just established the EU Urban Agenda. • The New Urban Economy: Pieter van de Glind, co-founder of Share NL, described the new urban economy as having two main elements: the collaborative and sharing economy. Further sessions focused on different aspects of the new urban economy. Within each session, discussions teased out best practices, emerging research questions and policy recommendations, including: • Migrants Refugees Work is an Austrian social enterprise that provides an online platform for both refugees seeking work and employers with job openings. Refugee Company focuses on using the skills of incoming refugees to assist their own integration. • No Doc Association representatives explained how they have used the Belgian legal framework to establish a legal entity to allow undocumented volunteers to trade their craft in exchange for money. • A team of designers and urbanists, showcased their digital multi-lingual platform, Info-Compass, which connects refugees in Berlin to local job-search resources to housing to language exchanges. | <p>ALL COSTS MET BY EUROPEAN FUNDING Authorised by Waheed Nazir</p> |

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| | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Place/Making: Haarlemese Seinwzen, the Dutch sustainable heritage building, highlighted the entrepreneurial approach of a private investor and the local authority in providing co economic, social and cultural activity within a previously derelict railway building. • After the case studies, an interview-style gallery highlighted not only the common challenges and needs of social enterprises across Europe and strategies to overcome them, which the EU Urban Agenda must seek to enable. | |
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| Corporate Strategy 1 Officer | Eindhoven, Netherlands | 5-6 June 2016 | <p>Invited to speak at a European Platform for Sports Innovation Conference</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enhanced international reputation for Birmingham City Council. Enhanced visibility and buy-in internationally for the Vital Cities Urbact project. This has been confirmed with follow up with EU interest. An approach and developing partnership with Kompan, a company looking for test site locations to showcase their innovations in outdoor activity spaces and equipment. A second meeting has taken place in Birmingham and a project is being worked up that could see test or flagship showcase sties being installed in Birmingham. | £70 for subsistence. Flight and accommodation costs met by Conference organisers Authorised by Angela Probert |
| Sustainability 1 Officer | Amsterdam, Netherlands | 8 June 2016 | <p>To participate in a Climate KIC Governing Board</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agreed the agenda for the strategic meeting scheduled for 20th and 21st June. Discussed some of the more controversial proposals around extending the Climate KIC partnership, targeting of new members, and priorities for project themes over the next few years. Opportunity to discuss the replacement of the Chair in 2017 and the qualities that Climate KIC should be looking for in that person. The audit report for the 2014 accounts was also received and approved | ALL COSTS MET BY EUROPEAN FUNDING Authorised by Waheed Nazir |

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| Tranportation 1 Officer | Gdynia, Poland | 9-10 June 2016 | <p>To attend the ELIPTIC project partner workshop meeting as one of the requirements of the EU funded project agreement. The ELIPTIC project is a Twinning programme that provides insights from other EU cities as to how they ascertained bus routes suitable for electric buses.</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The relevance of ELIPTIC is that the programme provides the knowledge and understanding of electric charging systems that draw on existing tram/railway lines infrastructure, giving an insight into the feasibility of electric buses in Birmingham city centre by assessing the economies of scale of existing and proposed electric infrastructure. • The ELIPTIC partner meeting provided examples of current electric bus and infrastructure developments within the host Polish city of Gdynia and German cities. • Results of pre-workshop questionnaires which determined how the workshop sessions were structured that enabled an appreciation and understanding of the kind of challenges that exist across metro/tram manufacturers in terms of different city specifications; electric suppliers issues around capacity , EU tax laws and subsidies regulation for commercial/ public sector electric utilisation; and infrastructure development requirements and Local Authority and City Planners issues. • Insight into strategic positioning of charging stations and infrastructure aligned to city or community setting geography, bus/tram/metro design and target users. • Set requirements for next partner workshop due to be held in London, October 2016. | <p>ALL COSTS MET BY EUROPEAN FUNDING</p> <p>Authorised by Waheed Nazir</p> |

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| Sustainability 1 Officer | Amsterdam, Netherlands | 20-21 June 2016 | <p>To participate in a Climate KIC strategic Assembly</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To review the positioning of the KIC and for core partners (of which BCC is one) to provide input and make suggestions as to how working arrangements can be improved/ priorities strengthened. • Most of 2015 was taken up with preparing the new strategy for Climate KIC and, following significant disruption at the Executive level, focus has also been on putting in place a new high level team to develop the priorities. • This meeting enabled core partners to have an update on progress in regard to how the strategy will now be delivered, and who will be in place to do this delivery. As well as discussions in plenary, there was also the opportunity to move into breakout groups to discuss priorities for recruiting new partners and the types of partnership arrangements that need to be put in place to strengthen how the KIC works. The networking opportunities also enabled discussion about future funding opportunities for Birmingham as part of the KIC. | <p>ALL COSTS MET BY EUROPEAN FUNDING</p> <p>Authorised by Waheed Nazir</p> |

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| Corporate Strategy 1 Officer | Barcelona, Spain | 27-29 June 2016 | <p>To participate in a SETA new European project aimed at changing the way mobility is organised, monitored and planned in large metropolitan areas. The project is funded by the European Commission as part of Horizon 2020.</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended as one of the project leads and represented Birmingham City Council at this consortium partner meeting to share progress of the Birmingham Case Study and actions to date. • Reported on Birmingham's progress of Q1 milestones and actions. • Participated in discussions of Birmingham's requirements in regards to this project. • Looked at the milestones and actions that are due within the next 3 months from Birmingham. • The meeting also provided a valuable opportunity to learn what other partners have been doing in regards to stakeholder analysis, big data collection and mobility / transport modelling for their cities. • Feedback provided to the Birmingham Project Team and other project linked to this work on Big Birmingham Bikes, Active Parks and Active Data that are already under way. In addition it also links with Transportation whose priorities include active travel and behaviour change. | <p>ALL COSTS MET BY EUROPEAN FUNDING</p> <p>Authorised by Angela Probert</p> |

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| Events and Parks 2 Officers | Wroclaw, Poland | 3-5 July 2016 | <p>To meet with Polish delegates who had visited Birmingham previously to view our Active Parks project and delivery. This was part of an ongoing Move Transfer International (MTI) congress and supported by ISCA (international Sport and Culture Association). Wroclaw is this year the European Capital of Culture and incorporated their Active Parks programme into this.</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future development of parks projects across Europe • Put together guidelines for new partnerships between cities and sport organisations. • Look at and discuss method of implementing behaviour change to encourage activity using parks and open spaces • View the project delivered in Wroclaw and advise on any good practice that would benefit from lessons learnt in Birmingham and also to take back any suggestions to implement in our delivery. • Meeting with the deputy Mayor of Wroclaw and other officials to discuss the project • Meeting with Wroclaw team, ICAS Head of projects and ourselves to look at future working based on the following topics: • Presentation to Polish delegates to include and instill discussions on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The history behind Active Parks • Activities addressing intercultural aspects • Activities on how to engage local communities (for.ex friends of parks) • How Active Parks' success can be and is measured – evaluated? • What are the challenges and the vision for the years to come? | £67 for subsistence. Flights and accommodation costs met by International Sport and Cultural Association (ISCA) Authorised by Jacqui Kennedy |

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| Sustainability – 1 Officer | Barcelona, Spain | 4-5 July 2016 | <p>To attend the end of project Smart Procurement European Alliance (SPEA) meeting</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation delivered on Birmingham's role within the SPEA project including successful outcomes and lessons learned • European Commission pleased with the work conducted in Birmingham • Promotion of Birmingham as a clean, green and forward thinking city | <p>ALL COSTS MET BY EUROPEAN FUNDING</p> <p>Authorised by Waheed Nazir</p> |
| Corporate – 1 Officer | Rotterdam, Netherlands | 24-26 August 2016 | <p>To attend a Summer University as part of the URBACT VITAL CITIES project</p> <p>Practical Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An opportunity to participate in a unique learning journey aimed at building the skills and capacities of urban professionals to manage Local Groups and develop Integrated Action Plans. • Learnt how to be equipped with the tools and methods for policy-making to support production of Integrated Action Plans • Share solutions and good practices across networks • Strengthen URBACT community of practice on Sustainable Urban Development • This Rotterdam learning camp was created at the optimal moment as we are developing our URBACT network cycle, when city partners are establishing their URBACT Local Groups and starting the process of engaging stakeholders to co-create their integrated action plans. • The opportunity to meet, Lead Partners and Experts, to gather our network partners and further build up our own network dynamics. • This learning gained at this event will allow Birmingham be more effective in the processes and results of URBACT action-planning networks. | <p>ALL COSTS MET BY EUROPEAN FUNDING</p> <p>Authorised by Angela Probert</p> |

Total Cost of visits = £20,424

No of visits by Members = 5

No of visits by Officers = 29

No of visits at No Cost to the City = 12

Total cost of visits undertaken between 16 March – 26 August 2016

| Date | No of visits | Cost |
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| 1 April 2016 – 30 June 2016 | 25 | £16,989 |
| 1 July – to date | 5 | £3,435 |

| Date | No of visits | Cost |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| 1 April 2015 to 30 June 2015 | 36 | £8,648 |
| 1 July – 30 September 2015 | 32 | £18,740 |
| 1 October – 30 December 2015 | 42 | £15,910 |
| 1 January 2016 - 31 March 2016 | 25 | £16,687 |
| Totals | 135 | £59,985 |

Visits summary 2014/2015

| Date | No of visits | Cost |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| 1 April 2014 to 30 June 2014 | 28 | £21,966 |
| 1 July – 30 September 2014 | 16 | £7,833 |
| 1 October – 30 December 2014 | 39 | £14,659 |
| 1 January 2015 to 31 March 2015 | 21 | £9,540 |
| Totals | 104 | £53,998 |

Visits summary 2013/2014

| Date | No of visits | Cost |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| 1 April – 30 June 2013 | 52 | £18,467 |
| 1 July - 30 September 2013 | 12 | £8,210 |
| 1 October –30 December 2013 | 38 | £5,696 |
| 1 January 2014 to 31 March 2014 | 23 | £15,243 |
| Totals | 125 | £47,616 |