

Date	Delegation	Country	Purpose/Outcome	Nos.	Department
21 January 2016	Kurt Stroscher	Germany	Attending Christmas Market SAG Meeting	2	Sport and Events
8-10 February 2016	Eurocities Study Visit	France, Italy, Germany, Denmark, Spain, Finland, Poland and Belgium.	Birmingham is a member of Eurocities - a network of 130 major cities across Europe sharing cultural policy and practices. This study visit was for senior cultural officers (and some members) to learn about BCC's best practice in community arts development e.g. our Arts Champions scheme and Local Arts Fora network.	23	Culture & Visitor Economy
8th March 2016	Hans van Soest	Netherlands	Site visit to Library of Birmingham	3	Library Services
14th -18th March 2016	16 students and four teachers from Lycee Diderot, Lyon	France	(i) Students (18-20 years old) participated in a one week placement (funded through Erasmus Plus EU funding programme) to study to become wardrobe dressers in either theatres or operas (ii) To explore potential future collaboration through Erasmus Plus (iii) To meet with LM, BCU, SCCB. The visit was a useful way of keeping our ties with Lyon alive	20	European and International Affairs
23 March 2016	H.E. Obed Milaba, High Commissioner to South Africa	South Africa	To promote Birmingham/South Africa linkages around business, education and culture. Also progress sister city relationship with Johannesburg	8	Leader of the Council/Birmingham Commonwealth Association and Chamber of Commerce
16th March 2016	Warner Bros Productions	USA	Looking at locations for filming purposes	3	Film Birmingham
29th March 2016	Marvel Productions	USA	Looking at locations for filming purposes	1	Film Birmingham
20 April 2016	Business delegation from Cleveland, Ohio	USA	Seeking business opportunities with Birmingham and West Midlands companies.	5	European and International Affairs
1st June 2016	Mini-conference	Netherlands	Dutch-organised library conference	35	Library Services
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