

Kirklees Democracy Commission – Cross Party Working Group

Meeting on Wednesday 28 November 2018, 10.00 a.m. – 11.30 a.m. in Leadership Conference Room, Civic Centre 3, Huddersfield

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE MEETING WILL BE WEBCAST

Agenda:

1. Notes of the Last Meeting

2. **Progressing Priority Recommendations**

The Working Group is asked to consider, comment on and sign off the following project proposal which has been developed having regard to the recommendations prioritised at the last meeting:

- (a) Democratic Content and Citizen Awareness (Penny Bunker to report);
- (b) Civic Pathways for Young Citizens (Vina Randhawa to report)

3. Innovation in Democracy Programme

Carl Whistlecraft will provide a verbal update on the recently announced Innovation and Democracy Programme. This an initiative from the DCMS and MHCLG seeking expressions of interest from local authorities to take part in a project, using a Citizen Assembly approach, to:

- Increase the capability of local people to have greater say over decisions that affect their communities and their everyday lives;
- Encourage new relationships and build trust between citizens and local authorities;
- Strengthen local civic society by encouraging participation in local institutions.

Given that this has strong linkages with the Commission's findings it is an opportunity for the Working Party to discuss and agree the next steps.

4. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Working Group will take place on <u>Wednesday 16 January</u> 2019, 10.00 a.m. – 11.30 a.m., Room Ga, ground floor, Civic Centre 3, Huddersfield.