

Title:	Health of the Cultural Sector in the City Survey
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Purpose/Key Messages:	To update BHSP on changes to partnership arrangements within the cultural sector
Significance to BHSP	The cultural sector represents a vital part of the work of BHSP and the fabric of the city. Therefore changes in partnership arrangements are relevant to BHSP members
What is BHSP being asked to do?	Note and comment on proposals/changes and work with new partnership arrangements in the sector
Next steps and report back mechanism	The Arts & Creative Industries Commission will continue to report in to BHSP

The Arts Commission has recently merged with Creative Brighton, therefore merging the agendas of supporting cultural development and the creative industries. The Partnership decided that it needed a name change to reflect this widening of the brief from the Arts Commission to 'City Creatives': Brighton and Hove's creative and cultural industries partnership

Brighton & Hove City Council and City Creatives commissioned a short evaluative report to provide a current snapshot of the value and relevance of the cultural sector in Brighton and Hove.

The evaluation, based on a short questionnaire and desk based analysis, draws on data held by organisations across the city to give key headline findings in terms of the following:

- Attendance and participation figures
- Funding profiles
- National profile
- Direct employment figures
- Direct economic impact (employment and expenditure figures)

The report seeks to draw some data based conclusions about the scale, size and impact of the sector in a regional and national context.