Corn Exchange Working Party

Date:	9 th March 2020
Title:	Oxford Arts Consultants Draft Business Plan
Contact Officer:	Venue Manager (Tomas Smith)

Background

The Council has looked to get direction and guidance for the upcoming regeneration of the Corn Exchange and decided to employ the Oxford Arts Consultants to help facilitate the project.

Current situation

Three meetings have been held with Jacqui Ibbotson and one with Euton Daley regarding unlocking the potential of the Corn Exchange. We have had help and advice from Jacqui relating to the ongoing business plan for the Corn Exchange, as well as further meetings about the options available when the hall is regenerated. The actual use from these meetings will become more obvious as the ideas and plans discussed at this stage will only become viable once the Corn Exchange has had the work undertaken.

There are hopes that Euton will be able to attend site with an architect to explore further options for the main Hall in the future. This will be covered further under Agenda Item 8.

A draft business plan provided by Oxford Arts Consultants is attached as Appendix A.

Environmental Impact

Nil as verbal conversation only

Risk

Cost to the council due to relying on the Arts Consultants recommendations bearing fruition.

Financial Implications

The cost is the consultant's fees (previously already agreed).

Recommendation

Members are asked to note the report; and understand the greatest value from this association will come once the Corn Exchange has had works completed.