

## **We Are Bristol History Commission – Meeting Summary**

**Time and Place:** 15:00-16:30, Wednesday 14 December 2021, Zoom meeting

**Attending:** Tim Cole, Joanna Burch-Brown, Shawn Sobers, Nigel Costley

**Officers:** Jon Finch, Ray Barnett and officers.

**Guests:** officer.

**Apologies:** Madge Dresser, Edson Burton, Helen Godwin, Estella Tincknell, Steve Poole.

### **1. Welcome and Apologies**

- TC welcomed everyone to the meeting and noted apologies.

### **2. Previous Minutes and Action Log**

- Members did not review the previous meeting minutes or actions at today's meeting. The focus was on discussing the draft recommendations.

### **3. Final Report Recommendation Sign Off**

- TC reviewed each of the recommendations in turn, with discussions by members and officers to agree the final wording.
- The mayor's office has confirmed that the recommendations will need to go to Cabinet for approval – date to be confirmed.
- The effort of everyone in the Commission on the report was recognised during the meeting.

**ACTION 1:** TC to circulate the updated wording for each of the recommendations for the report for all to finally agree and sign off and to feedback before it goes to the designer.

**ACTION 2:** Members to liaise on the acknowledgements for the report.

### **4. Release date and communications plan**

- Discussions regarding timing of report release and accompanying comms plan
- Need to consider timing of release of Project Truth – Legacy Steering Group's report in January
- Discussions regarding potential other events including open city-wide presentation and international facing seminar facilitated by both universities and the museum team

**ACTION 3:** To feedback to the Legacy Steering Group on the discussion of the report release date.

**ACTION 4:** TC to have a meeting with the Legacy Steering Group in early January to go through the final draft recommendations.

**ACTION 5:** Options on dates to be drawn up in conjunction with mayor's office for release of report

**ACTION 6:** An introduction to the Youth Mayor to be arranged given the importance of age in different attitudes towards the toppling of that statue.

## **5. Challenging Public Bodies Guidance**

- This item will be discussed in the next meeting.

## **6. Question 2: Migration Stories**

- This item will be discussed in the next meeting.

## **7. Recruitment: Migration Stories Leads**

- This item will be discussed in the next meeting.

## **8. Bridging Histories Update**

- This item will be discussed in the next meeting.

## **9. AOB**

### **Museum & Heritage Awards:**

- Discussion regarding opportunity to submit Colston display for two awards including comms strategy for any success
- Commissioners agreed to support application

### **Member Changes to the Commission:**

- TC confirmed that Helen Godwin has stepped back from the Commission after stepping down from her role in the Cabinet and thanked her for her invaluable input.