Key Decision Required: No In the Forward Plan: No	
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CABINET

4 AUGUST 2010

REFERENCES FROM COUNCIL

A.1 GRANTS TO THEATRES

(Report prepared by Ian Ford)

PART 1 – KEY INFORMATION

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

To report to Cabinet a motion submitted at the last meeting of the Council.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report sets out a motion submitted by Councillor Payne to the meeting of the Council held on 1 July 2010 relating to grants to theatres and which was referred to the Cabinet by the Chairman of the Council for consideration and report in accordance with the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 16.4.

RECOMMENDATION

That following the explanation of the motion by Councillor Payne, the Cabinet decide whether to recommend the Council to support the motion.

PART 2 – SUPPORTING INFORMATION

BACKGROUND

At the meeting of the Council held on 1 July 2010 the following motion was moved by Councillor Payne and seconded by Councillor P J Oxley and, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 16.4, stood referred to the Cabinet for consideration and report:-

"That this Council immediately releases from the relevant agreed budget for this year £50,000 to the Westcliff Theatre, Clacton and £20,000 to the Electric Palace, Harwich. And that the theatres in Manningtree and Frinton are approached to see if the remaining £10,000 can be utilised to aid them in improving the arts in their towns."

CURRENT POSITION

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 16.5 Councillor Payne has been invited to attend the meeting and explain the motion.

BACKGROUND PAPERS FOR THE DECISION

None

APPENDICES

None