Item 4.1 - Minutes

Committee on the Jean F Watson Bequest

10.00am, Friday 15 December 2017

Present

Councillors Fullerton (Convener), Aldridge, Donaldson, McNeese-Mechan, Mitchell and Mowat.

In attendance

Mr Stephen Holland (Chair of the Friends of the City Art Centre).

1. Minutes

Decision

To approve the minute of the Committee on the Jean F Watson Bequest of 29 April 2016 as a correct record.

2. Jean F. Watson Financial Statement 2017/18

Details were provided on the financial position of the Miss Jean Fletcher Watson (known as Jean F. Watson) Charitable Trust since the last Committee meeting on the 29 April 2016.

Decision

To note the report.

(References – Committee on the Jean F Watson Bequest, 29 April 2016 (item 2); joint report by the Executive Director of Resources and the Executive Director of Place, submitted.)

3. Purchase of the D'Arcy Thompson Print Portfolio

Approval was sought to purchase a limited edition copy of the D'Arcy Thompson Print Portfolio that contained fourteen original prints by sixteen contemporary artists.

Decision

To approve the purchase of a limited edition copy of the D'Arcy Thompson Print Portfolio that contained fourteen original prints by sixteen contemporary artists.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Place, submitted.)

4. Purchase of a Drawing by William Wilson

Committee considered a report that sought approval to purchase the 1926 pencil drawing of *Princes Street Station*, *Edinburgh* by William Wilson (1905-1972).

Decision

To approve the purchase of the drawing *Princes Street Station, Edinburgh* by William Wilson.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Place, submitted.)

5. Purchase of a drawing by Charles Poulsen

Approval was sought for the purchase of the 2017 drawing 7 February 2017 by Charles Poulsen (b.1952).

Decision

To approve the purchase of the drawing 7 February 2017 by Charles Poulsen.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Place, submitted.)

6. Purchase of a print by Bronwen Sleigh

Committee considered a report that sought approval for the purchase of the print *Kiyembe Lane* by Bronwen Sleigh (b.1980).

Decision

To approve the purchase of the print Kiyembe Lane by Bronwen Sleigh.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Place, submitted.)

7. Purchase of a video work by Roderick Buchanan

Details were provided of a video artwork entitled *Understanding versus Sympathy* by Roderick Buchanan (b.1965). Approval was sought for the purchase of the video artwork.

Decision

To approve the purchase of the video artwork entitled *Understanding versus Sympathy* by Roderick Buchanan.

8. Purchase of a silver articulated griffin sculpture/ornament by Bryony Knox

Approval was sought for the purchase of a silver articulated griffin sculpture/ornament made by Edinburgh silversmith Bryony Knox.

Decision

To approve the purchase of the silver griffin articulated sculpture/ornament by Bryony Knox.

9. Acquisition of contemporary ceramics, glass and silver

Committee considered a report that sought approval for the reporting and approval mechanism for future purchases of contemporary ceramics, glass and silver.

Decision

To approve the reporting and approval mechanism for future purchases of contemporary ceramics, glass and silver.