# **Vision & Strategy**



#### **MISSION**

Culture Vannin's mission is to take our culture forward in the Isle of Man, in line with our founding legislation, the Manx Heritage Foundation Act 1982.

#### VISION

Our vision is of an Isle of Man that is confident and articulate in its sense of cultural identity. We recognise a dynamic and living culture as key to an understanding of who we are as a people, informing the ways that we relate to each other within our communities and to how our image is projected internationally. A rich cultural offering makes the Isle of Man a more attractive place to live and shows how we, as a nation, choose to define our world.

We will deliver this through:

- o **Communication:** engaging with a broad spectrum of people through multi-media to promote Manx culture as widely as possible.
- Community activity: promoting our culture throughout the community, organising and supporting festivals, events and workshops.
- **Creativity and innovation:** putting creativity at the heart of our work through commissions, collaborations and innovative thinking.
- Education: developing educational resources and teaching for all ages to inspire lifelong learning and discovery.
- **Funding:** providing funding for a wide range of projects connected to the Island and its people.
- **Recording:** making a record of our changing Island and its communities through photography, film, oral history recordings, etc.
- Research: supporting, developing and disseminating research in order to deepen understanding.

#### **POLICY**

- Cultural Impact
  - Engendering a rich and diverse cultural identity.
  - Creating opportunities for people to experience Manx culture; offering ways to connect with our unique identity.
  - Assisting our communities to develop a contemporary Manx culture.
  - Promoting a sense of belonging for all, recognising its role in supporting community cohesion.
  - Maintaining, developing and promoting our cultural centre in order to raise profile and to develop and increase connections with Manx and visitor economies.

#### Economic Impact

- Promoting a vibrant, inclusive national identity for the Isle of Man in order to distinguish ourselves internationally.
- Recognising the importance of a strong cultural identity to the Manx economy in sending out a confident message of a creative, innovative and proud Island nation.
- Providing opportunities for everyone to experience cultural activities on Island, encouraging spend within the Manx economy.
- Attracting visitors and businesses by connecting people to our culture.
- Investing in our youth by developing a strong sense of cultural identity, encouraging retention and return as an adult workforce.
- Nurturing the development of professional cultural practitioners.

#### Environmental Impact

- Raising awareness of our built and natural environment.
- Documenting the changing nature of our built and natural environment.
- Promoting a positive attitude towards the conservation of our built and natural environment.
- Developing sustainable working practices.

## o Quality of Life

- Sharing, developing and promoting our culture, making the Isle of Man a better place to live.
- Contributing to a well-rounded, confident and healthy society by connecting individuals and communities.
- Sharing an understanding of our Island story with everyone, everywhere.
- Ensuring a strong living culture for future generations.
- Fostering greater community cohesion.
- Recognising the power of culture to promote inter-generational contact and the idea of a 'social pension'.

## o Good Governance

Acting in accordance with the Nolan Seven Principles of Public Life and the IOM Government's Corporate Governance Principles and Code of Conduct, and our legislative framework.