



**Worcester**  
CITY COUNCIL

# **PLACE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

## **AGENDA**

**Date: Monday, 24th January, 2022**

**Time: 7.00 pm**

**Venue: The Guildhall**

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**Place and Economic Development Committee**  
**Monday, 24 January 2022**

**Members of the Committee:-**

Chair: Councillor Mrs. Lucy Hodgson (C)  
Vice-Chair: Councillor Jo Hodges (L)

Councillor Patricia Agar (LCo)  
Councillor Alan Amos (C)  
Councillor James Carver (C)  
Councillor Owen Cleary (C)  
Councillor Simon Geraghty (C)

Councillor Adrian Gregson (L)  
Councillor Karen Lewing (G)  
Councillor Robyn Norfolk (L)  
Councillor James Stanley (C)

C = Conservative      G = Green      L = Labour      LCo = Labour and Co-operative  
LD = Liberal Democrat

**AGENDA**

**Part 1**  
**(ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND DECISION IN PUBLIC)**

1. **Appointment of Substitutes**  
To receive details of any Members appointed to attend the meeting instead of a Member of the Committee.
2. **Declarations of Interest**  
To receive any declarations of interest.
3. **Public Participation**  
Up to a total of fifteen minutes can be allowed, each speaker being allocated a maximum of five minutes, for members of the public to present a petition, ask a question or comment on any matter on the Agenda or within the remit of the Committee.
4. **Minutes**  
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Of the meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021 to be approved and signed.
5. **Additional Funding to Celebrate the Queen's Jubilee in 2022**  
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Ward(s): All Wards  
Contact Officer: Helen Mole, Tourism and City Centre Manager  
Tel: 01905 722309

That the Committee recommends to the Policy and Resources Committee to approve the award of an additional £20,000 from reserves in 2022-23 to be used to fund activities to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee in 2022.

6. **Review of Christmas in Worcester**

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Ward(s): All Wards

Contact Officer: Helen Mole, Tourism and City Centre Manager  
Tel: 01905 722309

That the Committee:

1. notes the review of Christmas in Worcester activity for the 2021-22 season;
2. agrees to officers exploring the options for extending the existing Christmas light coverage to other parts of the city, with recommendations reported to a future committee meeting; and
3. agrees to officers conducting a review of opportunities relating to Christmas activities to report to a future committee meeting.

7. **Setting of the Budget for 2022/23 and MTFP to 2026/27**

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Ward(s): All Wards

Contact Officer: Mark Baldwin, Head of Finance  
Tel: 01905 722007

That the Committee:

1. note the proposed Budgets for the various services identified for 2022/23;
2. consider the priorities within each service and recommends any changes for the services' Budgets including the Income and Efficiency plans;
3. consider the services' Capital programme and future projects and recommends any changes or additions;
4. reviews any new revenue Budget proposals from members and makes recommendations to Policy and Resources Committee as appropriate; and
5. redesignates the funding set aside for the Skills Officer to a wider remit of Economic Development Officer(s).

8. **South Worcestershire Local Development Scheme 2021-2024**

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Ward(s): All Wards

Contact Officer: Corin Beames, Senior Planning Policy Officer  
Tel: 01905 722546

That the Committee:

1. recommend that Council approve the South Worcestershire Local Development Scheme 2021-2024 set out at Appendix 1 to come into effect from 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022; and
2. delegate authority to the Corporate Director - Planning and Governance in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of Place and Economic Development Committee to make minor amendments to the LDS prior to publication.

9. **Infrastructure Funding Statement 2021 for the Monitoring Period 1st April 2020 - 31st March 2021**

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Ward(s): All Wards

Contact Officer: Rebecca Burridge, Senior Planning Policy Officer  
Tel: 01905 722408

That the Committee note the 2021 version of the Infrastructure Funding Statement has been published on the Council's website.

10. **Quarter 3 Performance Report for 2021/22**

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Ward(s): All Wards

Contact Officer: Joanna Payne, Corporate Policy and Strategy Officer  
Tel: 01905 722407

That the Committee notes the Council's Quarter 3 performance for 2021/22.

11. **Any Other Business**

Which in the opinion of the Chair is of sufficient urgency as to warrant consideration.