



Worcester
CITY COUNCIL

PLACE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Date: Monday, 7th June, 2021

Time: 7.00 pm

Venue: Guildhall

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Place and Economic Development Committee
Monday, 7 June 2021

Members of the Committee:-

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

Councillor Patricia Agar (LCo)
Councillor Alan Amos (C)
Councillor Jim 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 Sub-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 Sub-Committee.
4. **Minutes**
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Of the meeting held on 8th March 2021 to be approved and signed.
5. **Worcester City Cultural Strategy**
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Ward(s): All Wards
Contact Officer: Helen Mole, Tourism and City Centre Manager
Tel: 01905 722309

1. That the committee agrees to commission a consultant to develop the Worcester City Cultural Strategy; and
2. That the committee agrees to the formation of a Cultural Partnership to lead the development and strategic engagement of culture in the city.

6. **Victorian Fayre and Christmas Markets**

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Ward(s): All Wards

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That the Committee agrees to contract with Cotswold Markets for the following:

1. Management of the market stalls at the 2021 Worcester Victorian Christmas Fayre; and
2. Installation and operation of wooden chalets on the High Street for the month of December as part of an extended City Centre offer in the pre-Christmas period.

7. **Welcome Back Fund**

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Ward(s): All Wards

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That the Committee notes the plan for spend of the Welcome Back Fund, set out in the Appendix (to follow), which has been submitted to Government under the Managing Director's urgency powers.

8. **Annual/Quarter 4 Performance Report 2021/21**

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Ward(s): All Wards

Contact Officer: Joanna Payne, Corporate Policy and Strategy Officer
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That the Place and Economic Development Committee notes the Council's annual and quarter 4 performance for 2020/21.

9. **Any Other Business**

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

10. **Item Involving the Disclosure of Exempt Information**

The Committee are invited to pass the following resolution:

That under Section 100A(4), the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of information as defined in schedule 12A of the said Act.

PART II

(ITEM FOR DISCUSSION AND DECISION IN PRIVATE)

11. **Victorian Fayre and Christmas Markets**

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Ward(s): All Wards

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That the Place and Economic Development Committee notes the contents of this exempt appendix which informs the Victorian Fayre and Christmas Markets report on the Committee's agenda.