



Worcester
CITY COUNCIL

PLACE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Date: Monday, 1st November, 2021

Time: 7.00 pm

Venue: Guildhall

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Place and Economic Development Committee
Monday, 1 November 2021

Members of the Sub-Committee:-

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

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| <p>1. Appointment of Substitutes</p> | <p>To receive details of any Members appointed to attend the meeting instead of a Member of the Sub-Committee.</p> |
| <p>2. Declarations of Interest</p> | <p>To receive any declarations of interest.</p> |
| <p>3. Public Participation</p> | <p>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.</p> |
| <p>4. Minutes
Page(s): 1 - 8</p> | <p>Of the meeting held on 6th September 2021 to be approved and signed.</p> |
| <p>5. Setting of the Budget for 2022/23 and MTFP to 2026/27
Page(s): 9 - 16
Ward(s): All Wards
Contact Officer: Mark Baldwin,
Head of Finance
Tel: 01905
722007</p> | <p>That the Committee:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. note the Budgets for the various services identified for 2021/22; and2. note the progress made in delivering the projects included in the City Plan and City Delivery Fund that are relevant to this Committee and confirms the programme of work resourced. |

6. **The Kiln Co-Working Innovation Space Project: Progress Update**

Page(s): 17 - 34

Ward(s): Cathedral

Contact Officer: Janet Yates,
Economic
Development
Officer (Business
Growth and
Enterprise)
Tel: 01905
722106

That the Committee:

1. note the update on The Kiln Co-working Innovation Space Project, two years into operation;
2. approve the reprofiling of the Kiln outputs as set out in Appendix 1 and authorises the Corporate Director - Planning and Governance to amend the project legal agreements accordingly.

7. **Allocation of Funding for Skills Officer**

Page(s): 35 - 38

Ward(s): All Wards

Contact Officer: Nick Kay,
Economic
Development and
Regeneration
Team Leader
Tel: 01905
722560

That the Committee:

1. note the proposal to fund the post of Skills Officer from 1 April 2022; and
2. recommend to the Policy and Resources Committee that the post is funded from reserves for 2022-23.

8. **Allocation of Funding for Tourism and Events Officer**

Page(s): 39 - 42

Ward(s): All Wards

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

That the Committee:

1. note the proposal to fund the post of Tourism and Events Officer from 1 April 2022; and
2. recommend to the Policy and Resources Committee that the post is funded from reserves for 2022-23.

9. **Commonwealth Games and Queen's Jubilee Events in 2022**

Page(s): 43 - 46

Ward(s): All Wards

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

That the Committee:

1. note the proposed activities to celebrate the Commonwealth Games and the Queen's Jubilee in 2022; and
2. recommend to the Policy and Resources Committee an allocation of £40,000 from reserves for 2022-23 as an enabling budget to support these initiatives.

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| <p>10. Christmas in Worcester: Update
 Page(s): 47 - 50
 Ward(s): All Wards
 Contact Officer: Helen Mole,
 Tourism and City
 Centre Manager
 Tel: 01905
 722309</p> | <p>That the committee note the update on Christmas in Worcester activity.</p> |
| <p>11. The Arches Worcester Project: Update
 Page(s): 51 - 62
 Ward(s): All Wards
 Contact Officer: Shane Flynn,
 Corporate
 Director, Finance
 and Resources
 Tel: 01905
 722536</p> | <p>That the Committee note progress with The Arches Worcester project.</p> |
| <p>12. Quarter 2 Performance Report for 2021/22
 Page(s): 63 - 82
 Ward(s): All Wards
 Contact Officer: Joanna Payne,
 Corporate Policy
 and Strategy
 Officer
 Tel: 01905
 722407</p> | <p>That the Committee note the Council's Quarter 2 performance for 2021/22.</p> |
| <p>13. Any Other Business</p> | <p>Which in the opinion of the Chair is of sufficient urgency as to warrant consideration.</p> |