



**Worcester**  
CITY COUNCIL

# **PLACE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

## **AGENDA**

**Date: Monday, 29th January, 2024**

**Time: 7.00 pm**

**Venue: The Guildhall**

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**Place and Economic Development Committee**  
**Monday, 29 January 2024**

**Members of the Committee:-**

Chair: Councillor Robyn Norfolk (L)  
Vice-Chair: Councillor Hannah Cooper (G)

Councillor Owen Cleary (C)  
Councillor Katie Collier (G)  
Councillor Jill Desayrah (L)  
Councillor Simon Geraghty (C)  
Councillor Adrian Gregson (L)

Councillor Jessie Jagger (LD)  
Councillor Tom Piotrowski (G)  
Councillor Jabbar Riaz (L)  
Councillor Elena Round (G)

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**  
Of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023 to be approved and signed.  
  
To follow.
5. **Setting the Budget for 2024/25 and MTFP to 2028/29**  
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Ward(s): All Wards  
Contact Officer: Mark Baldwin, Head of Finance  
Tel: 01905 722007

1. That the Committee notes the proposed Budgets for the various services identified for 2024/25;
2. That the Committee considers the priorities within each service and recommends any change for the services' Budgets;
3. That the Committee considers the services' Capital programme and future projects and recommends any changes or additions; and
4. That the Committee reviews any new budget proposals from members and makes recommendations to Policy and Resources Committee as appropriate.

6. **Battenhall Park Pump Track**

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Ward(s): Battenhall and St Peter's

Contact Officer: Alan New, Lead Commissioner for Leisure, Play, Health and Wellbeing  
Tel: 01905 721122

That the Committee:

1. Notes the contents of the report and in particular the results from the public consultation exercise included at Appendix 2;
2. Approves a deferment of any decision relating to a pump track at Battenhall Park, and instructs officers to undertake work to investigate further locations across the city, including within the St Peters Ward; and
3. Notes that a further report will be presented to this Committee in June 2024, that will provide the outcomes of investigation work in respect of additional locations that could be considered for delivering a pump track scheme.

7. **Cotswold Way Public Open Space Improvements**

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Ward(s): Warndon

Contact Officer: Lloyd Griffiths, Corporate Director, Operations, Homes and Communities  
Tel: 01905 722314

That the Committee:

1. Note the contents of the report and in particular the results of the public consultation exercise included at Appendix 2;
2. Notes that biodiversity enhancement works have commenced and can be funded from within existing revenue budgets;
3. Approves the release of up to £100,000 capital funding as allocated within the capital programme to progress the design and implementation of a 'play on the way' scheme; and
4. Delegates the Corporate Director - Operations, Homes and Communities in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of this Committee to agree on a final specification for a 'play on the way' scheme' for the purpose of

undertaking a procurement exercise for the design, provision and implementation of such a scheme.

8. **Shrub Hill Quarter Supplementary Planning Document**

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Ward(s): Cathedral

Contact Officer: Kevin Moore, Head of Property and Asset Management

Tel: 01905 722251

That the Committee:

1. Approves the draft Shrub Hill Quarter Supplementary Planning Document for a minimum 6 week public consultation;
2. Authorises the Corporate Director – Planning and Governance, in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of the Committee to make any necessary minor amendments to the draft SPD prior to publication for the purposes of the public consultation; and
3. Subject to the outcome of the public consultation raising no significant material considerations requiring substantial amendments to the draft SPD, to authorise the Corporate Director – Planning and Governance, in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of the Committee, to make any necessary minor amendments and refer the draft SPD to Council for adoption.

9. **Infrastructure Funding Statement 2023 for the monitoring period 1st April 2022 - 31st March 2023**

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Ward(s): All Wards

Contact Officer: Hannah Millman, Planning Policy Manager

Tel: 01905 722314

That members note the 2023 version of the Infrastructure Funding Statement that has been published on the Council's website.

10. **South Worcestershire Housing Land Supply Report - December 2023**

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Ward(s): All Wards

Contact Officer: Hannah Millman, Planning Policy Manager

Tel: 01905 722314

1. That the Place and Economic Development Committee notes the publication of the South Worcestershire Councils Five Year Housing Land Supply Report and Appendices on 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2023, which details the housing land supply for the five year period from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2028 on the councils website; and
2. Note that based upon the deliverable supply identified within the report, none of the South Worcestershire Councils are currently able to demonstrate a five year supply of housing when measured using the government's

standard method for calculating housing need.

11. **Community Infrastructure Levy Draft Charging Schedule Review**

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Ward(s): All Wards

Contact Officer: Hannah Millman, Planning Policy Manager  
Tel: 01905 722314

That Place and Economic Development Committee agree:

1. subject to the outcome of the Regulation 16 Publication consultation raising no material compliance issues with respect to the schedule drafting requirements (the Planning Act 2008 and CIL Regulations), to authorise the Corporate Director- Planning and Governance, in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of Place and Economic Development Committee, to make minor modifications and submit the Community Infrastructure Levy Draft Charging Schedule for Examination, in accordance with Regulation 19 of the CIL Regulations; and
2. as part of the Examination process, to authorise the Corporate Director- Planning and Governance, in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of Place and Economic Development Committee, to formally request that the Examiner considers approving the Charging Schedule subject to modifications that are considered necessary by the Examiner to make the Schedule compliant with the drafting requirements.

12. **UKSFP Final Year (2024/25) Allocations**

Ward(s): All Wards

Contact Officer: Zoey West, Deputy Director - Economic Development  
Tel: 01905 722041

Report to follow.

13. **Quarter 3 Performance Report 2023/24**

Ward(s): All Wards

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

Report to follow.

14. **Any Other Business**

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