



Leicester
City Council

**MEETING OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TRANSPORT AND
TOURISM SCRUTINY COMMISSION**

DATE: THURSDAY, 19 NOVEMBER 2020
TIME: 4:00 pm
PLACE: Virtual meeting via Teams Live

Members of the Commission

Councillor Waddington (Chair)
Councillor Sandhu (Vice-Chair)

Councillors Broadwell, Fonseca, Joel, Porter, Rae Bhatia and Valand

Members of the Commission are invited to attend the above meeting to consider the items of business listed overleaf.

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AGENDA

LIVE STREAM OF MEETING

A live stream of the meeting can be followed on this link:

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are asked to declare any interests they may have in the business to be discussed on the agenda.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

**Appendix A
(Pages 1 - 42)**

a) 17 September 2020

The minutes of the meeting of the Economic Development, Transport and Tourism Scrutiny Commission held on 17 September 2020 are attached at **Appendix A1** and Members are asked to confirm them as a correct record.

b) 12 October 2020

The minutes of the Special Meeting of the Economic Development, Transport and Tourism Scrutiny Commission held on 12 October 2020 are attached at **Appendix A2** and Members are asked to confirm them as a correct record, subject to the following amendment to minute 93, "Draft Local Plan (2020 – 2036) – Public Consultation", (new wording shown in italics):

AGREED:

- ~~4) That the Director of Planning, Development and Transportation be asked to forward the suggestion of establishing start-up and business development premises to relevant officers for consideration; [moved from point 1 to point 3]~~
- 1) *That this Commission recommends that the Director of Planning, Development and Transportation and City Mayor give further detailed consideration to the following issues in drawing up the Local Plan:*
 - a) *The need for more and better public transport particularly in areas of population growth and an infrastructure that enables and encourages more environmentally friendly transportation;*

- b) *The enhancement of green public spaces particularly in areas of dense housing;*
 - c) *The wisdom of designating scarce NHS land at the General Hospital site for new housing in view of the growing need for health services and beds, resulting from population increase and ageing;*
 - d) *The development of brown field sites including derelict and disused factory buildings for new employment and business opportunities and for other designated purposes;*
 - e) *Enabling development measures designated to create more local jobs, green jobs and business start-ups;*
 - f) *Ensuring that accessibility is a thread running through all parts of the Local Plan;*
 - g) *Protecting family houses in areas where Houses in Multiple Occupation conversions are adversely impacting upon neighbourhood communities and heritage assets; and*
 - h) *Controlling the numbers of betting shops, massage parlours and food take-away establishments in neighbourhoods with vulnerable populations and/or levels of saturation;*
- 2) That the Director of Planning, Development and Transportation be asked to accept the comments *in 1) above and in the commentary to this minute recorded above* as this Commission's response to the public consultation on the Draft Leicester Local Plan (2020 – 2036); and
- 3) That the Director of Planning, Development and Transportation be asked to forward the suggestion of establishing start-up and business development premises to relevant officers for consideration.
[wording unchanged, but moved from point 1 to point 3]

4. PETITIONS

The Monitoring Officer to report on any Petitions received in accordance with Council procedures.

5. QUESTIONS, REPRESENTATIONS AND STATEMENTS OF CASE

The Monitoring Officer to report on any Questions, Representations and Statements of Case received in accordance with Council procedures.

6. WORKSPACE DEVELOPMENT

**Appendix B
(Pages 43 - 54)**

The Director of Tourism, Culture and Investment submits a report updating Members on the Economic Regeneration Workspace portfolio, and specifically three projects to develop more workspace. The Commission is recommended to note the report and comment as appropriate.

7. ECONOMIC RECOVERY PLAN

**Appendix C
(Pages 55 - 80)**

The Director of Tourism, Culture and Investment submits a report on the Leicester Economic Recovery First Steps plan, commenting on what is and is not included, plus how that plan relates and responds to the Commission's Task Group review report that was published earlier this year. The Commission is recommended to note the contents and comment on this report and the published plan.

8. NATIONAL PAVEMENT PARKING CONSULTATION

**Appendix D
(Pages 81 - 152)**

The Director of Planning, Development and Transportation submits a report on the current national consultation on options to improve the management and enforcement of pavement parking across England.

The Commission is recommended to consider and comment on the Council's suggested position and approach to responding to the consultation, which is as follows:

- 1) Confirm Option 3: a national pavement parking prohibition with the provision to permit pavement parking by administrative resolution as the preferred option.
- 2) Express our view on the need for a lengthy transition period and the requirement for funding to meet the attendant costs involved in introducing controlled pavement parking where appropriate.
- 3) Suggest Option 2 allowing the council to enforce against unnecessary obstruction of the pavement is also progressed to enable pavement parking to be enforced during the transition period. The power to enforce against Unnecessary Obstruction may also enable us to pilot a zonal approach to permitted pavement parking areas without the need for marked bays and excessive signage.

4) Feedback support for streamlining the TRO process in any case (Option 1).

9. ST MARGARET'S BUS STATION DEVELOPMENT

The Director of Planning, Development and Transportation will give a presentation on plans for the development of St Margaret's Bus Station. The Commission is recommended to receive the presentation and comment as appropriate.

10. TRANSFORMING CITIES FUND - CONNECTED LEICESTER

The Director of Planning, Development and Transportation will give a presentation providing information on completed schemes within the Connected Leicester programme and plans for future works. The Commission is recommended to receive the presentation and comment as appropriate.

11. QUESTIONS FOR THE CITY MAYOR

The City Mayor will answer questions raised by members of the Commission on issues not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

12. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS