

MEETING OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TRANSPORT AND CLIMATE EMERGENCY SCRUTINY COMMISSION

DATE: WEDNESDAY, 8 JANUARY 2025

TIME: 5:30 pm

PLACE: Meeting Room G.01, Ground Floor, City Hall, 115 Charles

Street, Leicester, LE1 1FZ

Members of the Committee

Councillor Waddington (Chair) Councillor Dr Barton (Vice-Chair)

Councillors Bajaj, Batool, Osman, Porter, Rae Bhatia and Singh Sangha

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

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AGENDA

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1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To issue a welcome to those present, and to confirm if there are any 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 THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Appendix A

The minutes of the meeting of the Economic Development, Transport and Climate Emergency Scrutiny Commission held on 6th November 2024 have been circulated, and Members will be asked to confirm them as a correct record.

Additionally, the record of a separate meeting held in private on 4th December 2024 to discuss the proposals for the marketplace is appended. Members will be asked to note this.

4. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair is invited to make any announcements as they see fit.

5. QUESTIONS, REPRESENTATIONS AND STATEMENTS OF CASE

Any questions, representations and statements of case submitted in accordance with the Council's procedures will be reported.

The following question has been received:

Mr Wynd asks,

"Plans for the marketplace seem to be getting smaller than the original proposal. It seems no proposition was ever put forward to include all the traders. When the market moved it was downsized and when it moves back to its original site it will be even smaller. It seems the council are not listening to the public who want a bigger market. As it stands the proposal makes our market the size of Grantham's and they are trying to develop theirs whereas we seem not to want one."

6. PETITIONS

Any petitions received in accordance with Council procedures will be reported.

7. DRAFT REVENUE BUDGET 2025/26

Appendix B

The Director of Finance submits a draft report proposing the General Revenue Budget for 2025/26.

Members of the Commission will be asked to consider and provide any feedback which will be submitted to the Council Budget meeting.

8. DRAFT CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2025/26

Appendix C

The Director of Finance submits a draft report proposing the Capital Programme for 2025/26.

Members of the Commission will be asked to consider and provide any feedback which will be submitted to the Council Budget meeting.

9. ASHTON GREEN DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Appendix D

The Director of Planning, Development and Transportation submits a report summarising the delivery of the Ashton Green development programme and progress since the last reporting to the Scrutiny Commission in March 2019.

A presentation will be given at the meeting.

10. EXAMINING BUS LANE OPERATING HOURS - Appendix E INFORMAL SCRUTINY

The Chair of the task group submits a report examining bus lane operating hours in Leicester. The Commission will be asked to note the report and support the recommendations set out in paragraph 1.2.

11. WORK PROGRAMME

Appendix F

Members of the Commission will be asked to consider the work programme and make suggestions for additional items as it considers necessary.

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS