



Leicester
City Council

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

DATE: WEDNESDAY, 25 JUNE 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 Cassidy (Vice-Chair)

Councillors Bonham, Clarke, O'Neill, Osman, Porter and Rae Bhatia

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 23rd April 2025 have been circulated, and Members will be asked to confirm them as a correct record.

4. MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMISSION 2025/26

The Membership of the Commission will be confirmed and noted.

CHAIR	Councillor Sue Waddington
VICE CHAIR	Councillor Ted Cassidy
	Councillor Stephen Bonham
	Councillor Adam Clarke
	Councillor Molly O'Neill
	Councillor Rae Bhatia
	Councillor Abdul Osman
	Councillor Nigel Porter

**5. DATES OF MEETINGS FOR THE COMMISSION
2025/26**

Members will be asked to note the meeting dates of the commission for 2025/26:

25 June 2025
27 August 2025
5 November 2025
14 January 2026
11 March 2026
22 April 2026

6. TERMS OF REFERENCE **Appendix B**

The Commission will be asked to note the Terms of Reference.

7. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

**8. QUESTIONS, REPRESENTATIONS AND
STATEMENTS OF CASE**

Dr Patel asks:

Having a look at the new parking signs around the city I have noticed that the 'Monday-Sat' or 'Monday -Fri' are missing. I am assuming this now means that street parking fees now apply 7 days a week. This was not included in the executive decision report in March 2025. Can the responsible person/City Mayor please address the following questions;

1. Why was this change not clearly stated or highlighted in the relevant Executive Decision report?
2. Do parking charges still apply on bank holidays?
3. Can the signs be changed back so there are no parking charges on Sunday?

Dr Spowage asks:

Why are there no automatic bollards on the Granby Street Pedestrian and Cycle Zone that is between Northampton Street and St Georges Way?

The bollards are on the plans that were presented to this committee on 13th October 2021 (available in the public reports pack, p.107) and are a part of the tender, and therefore money will have been allocated for them.

The Leicester and Leicestershire Enterprise Partnership delivery plan for 2022/2023, published on 7th December 2022, notes that the Granby Street scheme is now complete (p.8).

The Leicester and Leicestershire Enterprise Partnership Annual Update, published on 7th December 2022, talks of the Granby Street regeneration project as if it were complete (p.4).

However, the automatic bollards have not been installed and I cannot find any public reference to their omission. I have highlighted this issue multiple times on the Love Leicester portal but there has been no tangible improvement. In fact, the situation has been getting worse. This Pedestrian and Cycle Zone is used as a cruising strip by motorists. I have observed and documented up to seventeen vehicles at a time illegally parked and illegally driving along this section of Granby Street. This happens every day, at all times of the day and night. The Civil Enforcement Officers are overwhelmed. There are often so many motor vehicles that the whole street becomes blocked; usually by large SUVs, taxis and luxury track cars. As a cyclist, I have suffered three near misses with motorists on this section of Granby Street, and have witnessed a number of close calls between other cyclists and motorists, and between pedestrians and motorists. It is an incredibly unsafe and unpleasant place for pedestrians and cyclists.

9. PETITIONS

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

10. OVERVIEW OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TRANSPORT AND CLIMATE EMERGENCY. [Appendix C](#)

Directors will give a presentation providing an overview of the Economic Development, Transport and Climate Emergency Scrutiny Commission.

11. LOCAL TRANSPORT FUNDING [Appendix D](#)

The City Transport Director submits a report to provide members of the commission with details of the government grants made available for transport improvements in the 25/26 financial year and to advise members of the commission of the projects and programmes these grants will allow us to deliver or support.

12. 25/26 BUS SERVICE IMPROVEMENT PLAN GRANT [Appendix E](#)

The City Transport Director Submits a report to provide details of the Department for Transport 25/26 Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP) and Bus Service Operators Grant (BSOG) to members of the commission and to outline the intended approach for the deployment of funds related to BSIP and BSOG.

13. LOCAL CYCLING AND WALKING INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN - APPROACH TO INFORMAL SESSIONS.

The City Transport Director will discuss with the Commission as to how they

wish to approach informal scrutiny sessions on the Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan.

14. 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.

15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS