



Leicester
City Council

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

DATE: WEDNESDAY, 5 FEBRUARY 2020

TIME: 5:30 pm

**PLACE: Meeting Room G.01 - City Hall, 115 Charles Street, Leicester,
LE1 1FZ**

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

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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 - 20)**

The minutes of the following meetings of the Economic Development, Transport and Tourism Scrutiny Commission are attached and Members are asked to confirm them as correct records of the respective meetings:

- a) the ordinary meeting held on 16 October 2019 (**Appendix A1**); and
- b) the inquorate meeting of 4 December 2019 (**Appendix A2**).

4. PROGRESS ON MATTERS RAISED AT THE LAST MEETING

**Appendix B
(Pages 21 - 44)**

- a) To note progress on actions requested under minute 45, "Social Value and Procurement Update"; and
- b) To note progress on any other matters raised at the last meeting of this Commission and not reported elsewhere on the agenda.

5. PETITIONS

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

6. QUESTIONS, REPRESENTATIONS AND STATEMENTS OF CASE

- a) Zina Zelter asks the following question on behalf of Climate Friendly Homes for All, Climate Action Leicester and Leicestershire's working group on Housing:

“We are aware that work will be starting quite soon on the Waterside development and that a lot of new homes will be built as a part of this development.

As the Goldsmith passivehaus development in Norwich shows, highly energy efficient housing which will be resilient to climate change in the coming decades does not have to be very expensive (the Goldsmith development as verified by Norwich council has come in at only 5 to 10% more expensive than standard build), nor does it need to take up any more space than normal build (the Goldsmith development has been developed in the style of terraced housing and is very space efficient while also giving residents high levels of both privacy and easier opportunities to connect with their neighbours). They will also be far more affordable for residents with bills between 70 to 90% lower.

Could you please tell us what plans the council has around requiring energy efficiency by design and locally based renewable energy generation (eg on-building solar; heat pumps driven by renewable electricity) for the new buildings in the Waterside development? Specifically what energy efficiency standards and levels of local renewable energy generation is Leicester council working towards on this development, and how possible will it be for people to live in these homes in 30 years time when much higher temperatures and more extreme weather events are far more common without expensive remedial work on the buildings, given that according to the Prometheus study by Exeter University, almost all buildings built and being built at today's standards will be subject to overheating by 2035?”

- b) Zina Zelter asks the following question on behalf of Climate Friendly Homes for All, Climate Action Leicester and Leicestershire's working group on Housing:

“Please could you tell us what it is about passivehaus design which reduces the numbers of homes you can build, given that it doesn't require special orientation and has pretty much the same spatial footprint as standard build houses, as shown by the recent award winning Goldsmith development in Norwich?”

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

7. 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.

8. DRAFT GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET 2020/21 - 2021/22 **Appendix C
(Pages 45 - 74)**

The Director of Finance submits a report setting out the City Mayor's proposed budget for 2020/21 to 2021/22. The Commission is recommended to pass any comments to the Overview Select Committee as part of its consideration of the report before it is presented to the Council meeting on 19 February 2020.

9. UPDATE ON THE TASK GROUP REVIEW OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AT LOCAL LEVEL

The Chair will update the Scrutiny Commission on the work of the Task Group review of economic development at a local level.

10. WORK PROGRAMME **Appendix D
(Pages 75 - 80)**

The current work programme for the Commission is attached. The Commission is asked to consider this and make comments and/or amendments as it considers necessary.

11. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS