

Minutes of the Meeting of the ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TRANSPORT AND TOURISM SCRUTINY COMMISSION

Held: WEDNESDAY, 4 DECEMBER 2019 at 5:30 pm

# PRESENT:

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

### In Attendance:

Councillor Clarke – Deputy City Mayor (Environment and Transportation)

Councillor Myers – Assistant City Mayor (Policy Delivery and Communications)

Sir Peter Soulsby – City Mayor

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### 38. INQUORATE MEETING

As this meeting was inquorate, the Chair and Vice-Chair were briefed on the items noted below that had been included in the agenda.

#### 39. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Broadwell, Fonseca, Joel, Rae Bhatia and Valand.

## 40. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

# 47. LEICESTER'S CLIMATE EMERGENCY CONVERSATION

Members received a report from the Director of Estates and Building Services setting out draft proposals for the city's response to the climate emergency, as

well as the associated programme of community consultation and engagement entitled "Leicester's Climate Emergency Conversation".

Councillor Clarke, Deputy City Mayor with responsibility for Environment and Transportation, reminded Members that the Council's Climate Change Emergency Conversation had started in November 2019. It was hoped that a plan would be developed from this, setting out how the city would respond to the Emergency, as there had been a lot of interest in the conversation so far.

It was recommended that primary school age children be included as consultees in the Conversation, as they could be very influential. Councillor Clarke undertook to progress this and suggested that it could be done through Eco-Schools officers.

The Corporate Environmental Consultant explained that the Council was consulting on proposals, to establish how people felt they would affect them. From this, it also would be determined what help people felt they needed and what support the Council could provide. Councillors were asked to help advise people of this consultation through their links with communities in the city.

Councillor Clarke offered to share the findings of the consultation with the Commission.