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Monday 30 October 2017

Notice of Meeting

Dear Member

Economy and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Panel

The **Economy and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Panel** will meet in the **Council Chamber - Town Hall, Huddersfield** at **11.00 am** on **Tuesday 7 November 2017**.

The items which will be discussed are described in the agenda and there are reports attached which give more details.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Julie Muscroft".

Julie Muscroft

Service Director – Legal, Governance and Commissioning

Kirklees Council advocates openness and transparency as part of its democratic processes. Anyone wishing to record (film or audio) the public parts of the meeting should inform the Chair/Clerk of their intentions prior to the meeting.

The Economy and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Panel members are:-

Member

Councillor Rob Walker (Chair)

Councillor Martyn Bolt

Councillor Judith Hughes

Councillor Darren O'Donovan

Councillor Marielle O'Neill

Councillor Gemma Wilson

Mark Mercer (Co-Optee)

Robert Walton (Co-Optee)

Agenda

Reports or Explanatory Notes Attached

Pages

1: Minutes of the Previous Meeting

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To approve the Minutes of the Panel meeting held on 4 October 2017.

2: Membership of the Committee

This is where Councillors who are attending as substitutes will say for whom they are attending.

3: Interests

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The Councillors will be asked to say if there are any items on the Agenda in which they have disclosable pecuniary interests, which would prevent them from participating in any discussion of the items or participating in any vote upon the items, or any other interests.

4: Admission of the Public

Most debates take place in public. This only changes when there is a need to consider certain issues, for instance, commercially sensitive information or details concerning an individual. You will be told at this point whether there are any items on the Agenda which are to be discussed in private.

5: Housing in Kirklees

To consider a preliminary presentation on the issues surrounding the demand and supply of housing in Kirklees.

The discussion will generate ideas and topics for consideration at subsequent meetings.

Contact: Paul Kemp, Service Director for Economy, Regeneration and Culture – 01484 221000.

6: Work Programme

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To discuss and update the 2017/18 work programme for the Economy and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Panel.

Contact: Steve Copley, Principal Governance and Democratic Engagement Officer – 01484 221000.

7: Future meeting

To note that the next meeting of the Panel will be on Thursday 14 December 2017 at 9.30am in the Council Chamber, Huddersfield Town Hall. The meeting will be webcast.

The Panel will also consider the potential dates for its meetings in the period from January to March 2018.

Contact: Steve Copley, Principal Governance and Democratic Engagement Officer – 01484 221000.

Contact Officer: Steve Copley

KIRKLEES COUNCIL

ECONOMY AND NEIGHBOURHOODS SCRUTINY PANEL

Wednesday 4th October 2017

Present: Councillor Rob Walker (Chair)
Councillor Martyn Bolt
Councillor Judith Hughes
Councillor Darren O'Donovan
Councillor Marielle O'Neill

In attendance: Naz Parkar, Strategic Director - Economy and Infrastructure
Steve Copley, Principal Governance and Democratic Engagement
Officer
Councillor Peter McBride, Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning,
Regeneration and Transport

Co-optees Mark Mercer

1 Membership of the Committee

No apologies for absence were noted. No substitutes were present.

2 Interests

No interests were declared

3 Admission of the Public

The meeting was held in public session

4 Draft work programme for the Panel

The Panel considered the following documents in order to propose an appropriate and topical work programme for 2017/18:-

Economy and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Panel - 4 October 2017

- A general guidance note on the approach to setting a scrutiny work programme in 2017/18 (A briefing note for all of the new panels), and

- A report on the stage reached in the discussions which Cllr Rob Walker has held with Cabinet Members and officers to-date in order to propose a list of potential items for consideration or review by the Economy and Neighbourhoods Panel in 2017/18

The discussion in today's meeting highlighted a request to add "Transportation" to the potential list of topics, and the need to prioritise and reset the list and mix of topics so that debates at subsequent meetings can focus on:-

- Housing
- Transportation
- Town centres and communities

RESOLVED:-

- (1) That the guidance note and preliminary report be received for information and reference.
- (2) That Cllr Rob Walker, working with Steve Copley and Naz Parkar, to develop the work programme in light of today's discussion, in order to e-mail and share copies of the revised document direct with members of the Economy and Neighbourhoods Panel and Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee, as soon as is possible.

5 Schedule of Meetings 2017/18

The Panel suggested holding two meetings in the period up to 31 Dec 2017, plus at least three more meetings in the period up to 31 Mar 2018.

The dates, times and venues for these meetings to be proposed by the Governance Team, as the details associated with the activities and tasks within the proposed work programme become clearer in Oct 2017.

RESOLVED: - That the Governance Team will contact members of the panel in early Oct 2017, to propose the date(s) for the next meeting(s) of the Panel in November 2017.

KIRKLEES COUNCIL			
COUNCIL/CABINET/COMMITTEE MEETINGS ETC			
DECLARATION OF INTERESTS			
Standards Committee			
Name of Councillor			
Item in which you have an interest	Type of interest (eg a disclosable pecuniary interest or an "Other Interest")	Does the nature of the interest require you to withdraw from the meeting while the item in which you have an interest is under consideration? [Y/N]	Brief description of your interest

Signed: Dated:

NOTES

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If you have any of the following pecuniary interests, they are your disclosable pecuniary interests under the new national rules. Any reference to spouse or civil partner includes any person with whom you are living as husband or wife, or as if they were your civil partner.

Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain, which you, or your spouse or civil partner, undertakes.

Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from your council or authority) made or provided within the relevant period in respect of any expenses incurred by you in carrying out duties as a member, or towards your election expenses.

Any contract which is made between you, or your spouse or your civil partner (or a body in which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, has a beneficial interest) and your council or authority -

- under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and
- which has not been fully discharged.

Any beneficial interest in land which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, have and which is within the area of your council or authority.

Any licence (alone or jointly with others) which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, holds to occupy land in the area of your council or authority for a month or longer.

Any tenancy where (to your knowledge) - the landlord is your council or authority; and the tenant is a body in which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, has a beneficial interest.

Any beneficial interest which you, or your spouse or your civil partner has in securities of a body where -

- (a) that body (to your knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of your council or authority; and
- (b) either -

the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or

if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

Economy and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Panel – Proposed items and work programme for 2017/18

Working document – Based on discussion at first panel (4 Oct) but will be updated at regular intervals to acknowledge changes

Issue	The specific issues to address – The focus and purpose etc	Outcomes – What do we want to achieve	When are we going to consider the issue	Who do we need to invite and involve	How are we going to tackle it i.e. the methodology
<p>Priority 1 – Housing</p>	<p><u>First meeting</u></p> <p>(1). General update (State of nation)</p> <p>(2). Kirklees– Policy and strategy</p> <p>(3). Things to include or mention:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Changes in legislation and policy - Planning and land - Investment in housing - Allocation of social housing - Demand for supported housing 	<p>Preliminary discussion of the key issues</p> <p>Identification of specific issues for debate at subsequent meetings</p>	<p>7 November 2017</p>	<p>Paul Kemp Naz Parkar Simon Taylor Helen Geldart</p>	<p>Presentation and discussion to highlight specific issues for consideration and review in subsequent meetings</p>
<p>Page 5</p>	<p><u>Possible items for subsequent meeting(s)</u></p> <p><i>Follow up on specific issues from the first meeting</i></p> <p><i>Age designation and tenancies?</i></p> <p><i>Supporting people?</i></p>			<p><i>KNH?</i></p> <p><i>Local RSL's?</i></p> <p><i>Local developers?</i></p>	

<p>Priority 2 – Transport</p>	<p>Kirklees - Priorities in terms of local and regional developments</p> <p>The impact on the development of our towns and villages centres</p> <p>Improving the access and travel to/from Kirklees</p> <p>Improving disabled access to public transport</p> <p>Developing better services and higher passenger numbers from our smaller stations</p> <p>Growing demand for the rail links:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hudds to Sheffield - Hudds to Leeds - Hudds to Manchester <p>Maintaining and improving bus services</p> <p>Opportunities to develop local park and ride schemes</p>				
<p>Priority 3 – Towns and communities</p> <p>Page 6</p>	<p>Plans for Dewsbury and Huddersfield</p> <p>The challenge and future for other town centres and villages “Fit for the future?”</p> <p>What can they/we do to help shape this?</p>				

<p>Waste management strategy</p>	<p>Our current policies and working practices – Public perceptions</p> <p>Recycling rates</p> <p>New government expectations and targets</p> <p>Problems with access to our recycling sites in Kirklees.</p> <p>Access to sites in our neighbouring authorities – New agreement required?</p> <p>Fly tipping in Kirklees – The costs and facts and our response (<i>Kirklees and our neighbouring authorities</i>)</p> <p>Leeds Road - The opportunities to revisit the potential development of the heat and power scheme</p> <p>Work on new contract and strategy</p>				
<p>Development of the new skills strategy for Kirklees</p>	<p>Progress with the new strategy - What are we trying to change and influence etc</p>				

Steve Copley - Governance Team – 30 October 2017

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