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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:-

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- 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.