

Public Document Pack



**North East
Derbyshire
District Council**

Contact: Tom Scott

Tel: 01246 217045

Email: thomas.scott@ne-derbyshire.gov.uk

Date: Friday, 6 January 2023

To: **Members of the Growth Scrutiny Committee**

Please attend a meeting of the Growth Scrutiny Committee to be held on **Monday, 16 January 2023 at 1.00 pm in the Council Chamber**, District Council Offices, 2013 Mill Lane, Wingerworth, Chesterfield S42 6NG.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sarah Steuberg".

Assistant Director of Governance and Monitoring Officer

Members of the Committee

<u>Conservative Group</u>	<u>Labour Group</u>	<u>Independent Group</u>	<u>Liberal Democrat Group</u>
Councillor Bentley Trafford-Stephenson Councillor Alex Platts Councillor Michael Roe Councillor Philip Wright	Councillor Nigel Barker Councillor Suzy Cornwell Councillor Lee Hartshorne	Councillor John Funnell	Councillor David Hancock

For further information about this meeting please contact: Tom Scott 01246 217045

AGENDA

1 Apologies for Absence

2 Declarations of Interest

Members are requested to declare the existence and nature of any disclosable pecuniary interests and/or other interests, not already on their register of interests, in any item on the agenda and withdraw from the meeting at the appropriate time.

3 Minutes of Last Meeting (Pages 4 - 7)

To approve as a correct record and the Chair to sign the Minutes of the Growth Scrutiny Committee held on 31 October 2022.

4 Scrutiny Review - Business Engagement

Interviews - • 1.00 pm - Ann Turner, Amber Mill Furniture Rural Enterprise Centre (AMFREC)
• 1.30 pm - Ken Eastwood, Assistant Director of Environmental Health
• 2.00 pm - Andrew Gascoigne, Revenues and Benefits Manager

5 Scrutiny Review

Triangulation of Evidence.

6 Forward Plan of Executive Decisions (Pages 8 - 10)

To consider the attached Forward Plan of Executive Decisions dated 15 December 2022 to 15 January 2023.

Please note, the most up-to- date Forward Plan of Executive Decisions can be accessed via the following link:-

<https://democracy.ne-derbyshire.gov.uk/mgListPlans.aspx?RPId=1137&RD=0&bcr=1>

7 Work Programme (Pages 11 - 14)

To consider the Committee's Work Programme.

8 Additional Urgent Items

To consider any other matter which the Chair of the Committee is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency.

9 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Growth Scrutiny Committee is scheduled to take place on Monday 13 March 2023 at 1.00 pm.



**North East
Derbyshire**
District Council

Access for All statement

You can request this document or information in another format such as **large print** or **language** or contact us by:

- **Phone** - [01246 231111](tel:01246231111)
- **Email** - connectne@ne-derbyshire.gov.uk
- **Text** - [07800 00 24 25](tel:07800002425)
- **BSL Video Call** – a three way video call with us and a BSL interpreter. It is free to call North East Derbyshire District Council with [Sign Solutions](#) or call into the offices at Wingerworth.
- Call with [Relay UK](#) via textphone or app on [0800 500 888](tel:0800500888)– a free phone service
- **Visiting** our [offices](#) at Wingerworth – 2013 Mill lane, [S42 6NG](#)

GROWTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 31 OCTOBER 2022

Present:

Councillor Bentley Strafford-Stephenson (Chair) (in the Chair)
Councillor Alex Platts (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Nigel Barker
Councillor John Funnell
Councillor Philip Wright

Councillor Suzy Cornwell
Councillor Lee Hartshorne

Also Present:

K Apps	Assistant Director of Economic Development, Regeneration
B Harrison	Senior Regeneration Officer and Urban Designer
D Stanton	Senior Scrutiny Officer
T Scott	Governance and Scrutiny Officer

GSC/ Apologies for Absence

11/2

2-23 Apologies for absence were received from Councillor M Roe and Councillor R Welton.

GSC/ Declarations of Interest

12/2

2-23 Members are requested to declare the existence and nature of any disclosable pecuniary interest and/or other interest, not already on their register of interests, in any item on the agenda and withdraw from the meeting at the appropriate time.

There were no interests declared at this meeting.

GSC/ Minutes of Last Meeting

13/2

2-23 **RESOLVED** – That the Minutes of the previous meeting of the Growth Scrutiny Committee held on 14 July 2022 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

GSC/ Clay Cross Town Deal and Levelling up Fund

14/2

2-23 Members received a presentation on progress of the Clay Cross Town Deal and Levelling up Fund from the Assistant Director of Economic Development, Regeneration and Housing Delivery.

The presentation included details on:

- Submitted business cases for Clay Cross
- Remaining business cases for Clay Cross
- Broadley's Masterplan
- Eckington Levelling Up Fund bid

The Committee were informed that certain parts of the submitted Town Investment Plan for Clay Cross (such as Bridge Street and Market Street) had been identified early on as being undeliverable. Members were concerned that this suggested the Council was not pursuing its Plan A. The Assistant Director of Economic Development, Regeneration and Housing Delivery assured Members that deadlines on Town Deal spending were very strict, so at that particular time the COVID-19 pandemic and inflation had combined to make the two streets undeliverable. This had simply meant a shift in focus, and the Town Deal funding had not changed.

The Chair referred to the retail units planned for Clay Cross, and enquired how the demand for them had been pre-measured. The Assistant Director of Economic Development, Regeneration and Housing Delivery explained that the Council was in discussions with organisations like the NHS about use of the units.

Members discussed the future of the Clay Cross Town Deal over the next 12 months. They were informed that a business case would be submitted on 13 December 2022.

Members enquired if the planned developments would displace any houses. They were informed that no houses would be displaced.

Members discussed the part of the presentation about the Eckington Levelling Up Fund bid and the planned development if the bid was successful. Members enquired if owners of private buildings that might be impacted by the development had been considered. The Assistant Director of Economic Development, Regeneration and Housing Delivery explained that land and property owners had been engaged with before the Council carried out the public consultation.

Members enquired what the process would be to fill the units in the Eckington development. They were informed that existing businesses would be offered space in the units first.

Members discussed if Eckington Swimming Pool and Fitness Centre would be developed as part of the plan. The Assistant Director of Economic Development, Regeneration and Housing Delivery explained that the centre itself would not be changed, but access to it would be improved.

The Assistant Director of Economic Development, Regeneration and Housing Delivery stated that the Masterplan for Eckington would be circulated to Members.

RESOLVED - That the Committee noted the update.

GSC/ Business Sector Analysis

15/2

2-23

The Senior Regeneration Officer and Urban Designer delivered a presentation explaining why the Council carried out a business economy analysis, and the key findings of the sector analysis and other indicators.

Members were concerned that the graphs in the presentation showed the District having lost 50% of businesses in the last five years. They were informed that this

owed a lot to the natural churn of businesses starting and finishing.

Members enquired where the data in the graphs had been found. They were informed that this had been taken from the Nomis database, the Fame database and the Office for National Statistics.

Members discussed methods for getting direct feedback from businesses. They noted the ongoing Business Engagement Scrutiny Review which aimed to identify improvements in the way the Council engaged with businesses.

The Chair referred to the Clay Cross Town Deal board and asked if the data in the presentation had been used by them. The Senior Regeneration Officer and Urban Designer explained that it had been included in the submitted business case.

The Chair requested that the presentation be circulated to all Committee Members.

RESOLVED - That the Committee noted the update.

GSC/ Scrutiny Review - Business Engagement

16/2

2-23

The Chair informed the Committee that the Senior Scrutiny Officer had updated the timetable and project plan for the Business Engagement Review, and it was proposed that the Committee approve the amendments.

RESOLVED - That the Committee approved the revised project plan and timetable for the Business Engagement Scrutiny Review.

GSC/ Forward Plan of Executive Decisions

17/2

2-23

The Committee considered the Forward Plan of Executive Decisions.

RESOLVED - That the Committee noted the information.

GSC/ Work Programme

18/2

2-23

Members requested that mobile phone connectivity and mast placement should be entered into the Work Programme to consider at the meeting on 13 March 2023.

The Senior Scrutiny Officer suggested that officers from Planning could be invited to the meeting to explain the control the Council has over mast placement.

The Committee agreed that mobile phone connectivity and mast placement should be included in the Work Programme for 13 March 2023, and the Senior Scrutiny Officer should invite the appropriate Officers to present to the Committee.

RESOLVED –

(1) That the Committee agreed the work programme for the 2022-23 municipal

year.

- (2) That mobile phone connectivity and mast placement should be included in the Work Programme for 13 March 2023, and the Senior Scrutiny Officer should invite the appropriate Officers to discuss mast placement at that meeting.

GSC/ Additional Urgent Items

19/2

2-23 None.

GSC/ Date of Next Meeting

20/2

2-23 The next meeting of Growth Scrutiny Committee was scheduled to take place on 1.00pm 16 January 2023.



North East Derbyshire
District Council

Forward Plan of Executive Decisions for the period 15 December 2022 – 15 January 2023

This Forward Plan sets out all of the decisions that are expected to be taken over the next four months by either: (i) The Cabinet, or (ii) an officer on an Executive function of the Council.

Some of the decisions listed in this plan are 'Key Decisions'. A Key Decision is one that is likely to:

- (a) Result in the Council spending or receiving income of over £100,000 revenue or £250,000 capital, or
- (b) Have a significant impact on two or more wards in the Council's area.

At least 28 calendar days' notice must be given before they are due to be taken by the Cabinet or an officer under delegated powers.

The Cabinet can make urgent decisions which do not appear in the Forward Plan. A notice will be published at the District Council Offices and on the Council's website explaining the reasons for the urgent decisions. Please note that the decision dates are indicative and are subject to change.

The Forward Plan also lists those 'Exempt' Decisions which are going to be taken over the next four months. Exempt Decisions are those decisions which have to be taken in private. This is because they involve confidential or exempt information which cannot be shared with the public.

The contact details for the officers or senior employees responsible for producing the reports and reports for these decisions are included in the plan. Please contact them if you would like more information. If you have any queries about why something is a Key Decision or is going to be taken in private then please contact the Governance Team on 01246 217391 or email: alan.maher@ne-derbyshire.gov.uk.

Published under the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

Sarah Sternberg
Assistant Director of Governance & Monitoring Officer

Published on: 15.12.22

Cabinet members and their responsibilities

Member

Portfolio of responsibilities

Councillor A Dale	Leader and Portfolio Holder for Overall Strategic Leadership
Councillor C Cupit	Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Environmental Services
Councillor M Foster	Portfolio Holder for Council Services
Councillor J Kenyon	Portfolio Holder for Economy, Transformation & Climate Change
Councillor A Powell	Portfolio Holder for Leisure, Communities and Communications
Councillor C Renwick	Portfolio Holder for Housing & Community Safety

DECISION TO BE TAKEN	DECISION-MAKER	DATE OF DECISION	KEY DECISION	EXEMPT DECISION (INCLUDING GROUNDS FOR EXEMPTION)	RESPONSIBLE PORTFOLIO HOLDER	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER
NEDDC Climate Change Strategy Refresh	Cabinet	22 Dec 2022	Non-Key	Open	Councillor Jeremy Kenyon	Director of Growth and Assets
Sharley Park Development	Cabinet	22 Dec 2022	Key	Fully exempt Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)	Councillor Alan Powell	Director of Growth and Assets

GROWTH SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME 2022/23
MONDAY AT 1:00 PM
CHAIR: Cllr B Strafford-Stephenson VICE CHAIR: Cllr A Platts

MEETING DATE	AGENDA ITEM	SCRUTINY ACTIVITY	WHAT IT WILL COVER	UPDATE/COMMENTS
14 July 2022	UK Shared Prosperity Fund	Consultee, monitor and challenge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To receive an update on progress made with the Investment Plan that is due to be submitted as part of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund. 	Karl Apps – Assistant Director – Economic Devp, Regeneration, and Housing Delivery Steve Lee – Assistant Director – Transformation & Communications Accepted
	Remit of the Committee		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Briefing on Scrutiny: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scene setting - The terms of reference for the Committee - How the Committee operates, ways of working – Discussion 	Committee Members / Damon Stanton – Senior Scrutiny Officer
	Selection of Scrutiny Review Topic	Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To agree the topic for the Committee’s Scrutiny Review. 	Committee Members

	Draft Work Programme	Consultee, monitor and challenge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To consider items for the draft work programme for the year and any suggested items for inclusion 	Committee Members/ Damon Stanton – Senior Scrutiny Officer
	Forward Plan of Executive Decisions	Consultee, monitor and challenge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To consider the Forward Plan of Executive Decisions 	Damon Stanton – Senior Scrutiny Officer

19 September 2022 (Informal) CANCELLED				
31 October 2022	Clay Cross Town Deal and Levelling up Fund	Monitor and Challenge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To receive an update on the Clay Cross Town Deal and the Levelling up Fund. 	Karl Apps – Assistant Director, Economic Development Accepted
	Business Sector Analysis	Monitor and challenge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To consider a Business Sector Analysis of the District. 	Bryan Harrison – Senior Regeneration Officer & Urban Designer Accepted
	Scrutiny Review – Business Engagement	Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approval of revised project plan & timetable; Case Study: O'Connor & Co Business Advisor update 	Committee
	Forward Plan of Executive Decisions	Consultee, monitor and challenge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To consider the Forward Plan of Executive Decisions 	Damon Stanton – Senior Scrutiny Officer
	Scrutiny Work Programme	Consultee, monitor and challenge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To consider the Committees' work programme 	Damon Stanton – Senior Scrutiny Officer
16 January 2023	Scrutiny Review – Business Engagement	Review	<u>Interviews</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1:00 – Ann Turner – Amber Mill Furniture Rural Enterprise Centre (AMFREC) 	

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1:30 – Ken Eastwood – Assistant Director - Environmental Health • 2:00 – Andrew Gascoigne – Revenues & Benefits Manager 	
	Scrutiny Review	Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Triangulation of evidence 	Committee
	Forward Plan of Executive Decisions	Consultee, monitor and challenge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To consider the Forward Plan of Executive Decisions 	Damon Stanton – Senior Scrutiny Officer
	Scrutiny Work Programme	Consultee, monitor and challenge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To consider the Committee’s Work Programme 	Damon Stanton – Senior Scrutiny Officer
13 March 2023	Previous Review	Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To consider progress against the Action Plan – Tourism – Business and non-Business 	Assistant Director – Economic Development Kirstin Sykes – Tourism Officer
	Connectivity in the District	Monitor and challenge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TBC 	TBC
	Growth Strategy	Monitor and challenge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To discuss progress on implementation of the Growth Strategy 	Director Portfolio Holder
	Scrutiny Review	Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To finalise the Scrutiny Review Report 	Committee
	Forward Plan of Executive Decisions	Consultee, monitor and challenge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To consider the Forward Plan of Executive Decisions 	Damon Stanton – Senior Scrutiny Officer

	Scrutiny Work Programme	Consultee, monitor and	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To consider the Committee's Work Programme 	Damon Stanton – Senior Scrutiny Officer
08 May 2023	Clay Cross Town Deal and Masterplan for Eckington and Killamarsh	Monitor and challenge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To receive a presentation on the Clay Cross Town Deal and the Masterplan for Eckington and Killamarsh 	Head of Economic Development and Housing
	Monitoring of O&S recommendations	Monitor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To monitor the implementation of previous committee and review recommendations 	Damon Stanton – Senior Scrutiny Officer
	Forward Plan of Executive Decisions	Consultee, monitor and challenge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To consider the Forward Plan of Executive Decisions 	Damon Stanton – Senior Scrutiny Officer
	Scrutiny Work Programme	Consultee, monitor and challenge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To consider whether the Committees' work programme has been completed at year end 	Damon Stanton – Senior Scrutiny Officer