

GROWTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

NOTES OF INFORMAL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 22 NOVEMBER 2021

Present:

Councillor Michelle Emmens (Vice-Chair) (in the Chair)

Councillor Nigel Barker	Councillor Suzy Cornwell
Councillor John Funnell	Councillor Michael Roe
Councillor Bentley Strafford-Stephenson	Councillor Philip Wright

Also Present:

D Stanton	Governance Officer
A Bond	Governance Officer

GSC/ Apologies for Absence

33/2

1-22 Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors A Hutchinson and L Hartshorne.

GSC/ Declarations of Interest

34/2

1-22 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

35/2

1-22 AGREED – That the Minutes of the Growth Scrutiny Committee held on 27 September 2021 be noted and recommended that the Committee approves them at its next formal meeting.

GSC/ Discussion on Review Topic

36/2

1-22 Members had a wide ranging discussion over whether to adopt a particular review topic or monitor and challenge where appropriate.

Members agreed that it was important to focus on a particular review topic and the preference was to adopt a spotlight review on the Growth Strategy to assess how it was progressing. The Portfolio Holder for Economic Growth and the Director of Growth would be present at the next meeting to discuss further.

GSC/ Forward Plan of Executive Decisions

37/2

1-22 AGREED - That the Forward Plan of Executive Decisions be noted.

GSC/ Work Programme

38/2

1-22 AGREED – That the work programme be noted.

GSC/ Additional Urgent Items

39/2

1-22 Members discussed the format for the meetings going forward. There was a consensus that a hybrid approach would be adopted. Members would meet formally when a decision was required or when conducting an interview, otherwise they would meet in an informal manner.

GSC/ Date of Next Meeting

40/2

1-22 The next meeting of the Growth Scrutiny Committee will take place on Monday, 24 January 2022 at 1pm.