

ECONOMIC PROSPERITY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Meeting to be held in the Civic Centre (Committee Room No. 1) on Tuesday 8th October 2019 at 4.30 p.m.

Membership

Cllrs Blackburn, Blackett, M. Dixon, Fagan, Foster, Jackson, Jenkins, Marshall, Scullion, Taylor, Thornton (Vice Chairman) Turner (Chairman).

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Report of the Director of People, Communications and Partnerships (copy herewith).

Part C – CCFA/Members Item/Petitions

No items.

Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006

The reports contained in Part II of the Agenda are not for publication as the Committee is considered likely to exclude the public during consideration thereof as they contain exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) (Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A, Part 1, Paragraph 3). The public interest in maintaining this exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

Part II

7. **Minutes of the meeting held on 10th September, 2019 – Part II**

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(Copy herewith).

E. WAUGH,
Assistant Director of Law and Governance,
Civic Centre,
SUNDERLAND.

30th September, 2019.

Item 2

At a meeting of the ECONOMIC PROSPERITY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE held in the CIVIC CENTRE, SUNDERLAND on TUESDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER, 2019 at 4.30 p.m.

Present:-

Councillor D. Turner in the Chair

Councillors Blackburn, Blackett, M. Dixon, Fagan, Jackson, Jenkins, Marshall, Scullion and Thornton

Also in attendance:-

Mr Jim Diamond, Scrutiny Officer, Sunderland City Council
Mr Jon Ritchie, Executive Director of Corporate Services
Mr Peter McIntyre, Executive Director of City Development
Mr Jonathan Rowson, Specialist Lead – Commercial Law
Mr Paul Wilson, Assistant Director of Finance
Mr Paul Wood, Principal Governance Services Officer, Sunderland City Council
Councillor Peter Wood

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted to the meeting on behalf of Councillors Foster and Taylor.

Minutes of the Last Ordinary Meeting of the Scrutiny Committee held on 9th July 2019

A copy of the minutes of the last ordinary meeting of the Scrutiny Committee held on 9th July, 2019 was submitted.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

1. RESOLVED that the minutes of the last ordinary meeting of the Scrutiny Committee held on 9th July, 2019 (copy circulated), be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

Declarations of Interest (including Whipping Declarations)

There were no declarations of interest made.

Annual Work Programme 2019-20

The Director of People, Communications and Partnerships submitted a report (copy circulated), setting out the current work programme of the Committee for the 2019-20 Municipal year.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Mr Jim Diamond, Scrutiny Officer advised the Committee that Mr Jonathan Walker from the North East Chamber of Commerce would be presenting a report to the December meeting of the Committee

2. RESOLVED that the information contained in the work programme for 2019-2020 be noted.

Notice of Key Decisions

The Director of People, Communications and Partnerships submitted a report providing Members with an opportunity to consider the items on the Executive's Notice of Key Decisions for the 28 day period from 19th August, 2019 (copies circulated).

(For copy report and notice – see original minutes).

Mr Jim Diamond, Scrutiny Officer reminded Members to contact him if they required further information on any of the items included in the notice.

3. RESOLVED that the Notice of Key Decisions be received and noted.

The Chairman thanked Members and Officers for their attendance and closed the meeting.

(Signed) D. TURNER,
Chairman.

Note:-

The above minutes comprise only those relating to items during which the meeting was open to the public.

Additional minutes in respect of other items are included in Part II.

BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (BID) - ANNUAL UPDATE

REPORT OF THE HEAD OF MEMBER SERVICES AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To provide the Committee with a progress report on the work of the Sunderland Business Improvement District (BID).

2. Background

- 2.1 In 2013/14 the Skills, Economy and Regeneration Scrutiny Panel conducted a review around the Diversification of the Local Economy. The review examined the approach and progress being made in diversifying the local economy focusing on advanced manufacturing, software and the creative industries sector.
- 2.2 As a result of the review a number of recommendations were formulated and agreed by Cabinet. One of the recommendations was that the BID should be invited to the Scrutiny Committee on an annual basis in order to provide an update on their work.
- 2.3 Sharon Appleby (Head of Business Operations) will be in attendance to provide an overview of the work of the BID, providing information on what has been delivered so far, the key projects for 2019/20 and the opportunities that exist to the BID and the city as a whole. She has also invited representatives from local businesses to attend.

3 Current Position

- 3.1 A Business Improvement District is a defined area in which a levy is charged on business rate payers for the development of projects in the local area. Businesses that are subject to the levy, vote in a ballot to determine if the scheme should go ahead. The BID must hold a new ballot if it is to continue for another five year period. The local authority manages the ballot process and also the collection of the levy on behalf of the BID.
- 3.2 The Sunderland Business Improvement District (BID) was established in April 2014 for a five year period to March 2019. In November 2018, it was announced that local businesses had voted to renew the BID project for a further five years. The outcome of the renewal vote was reported to the Committee in January 2019.

3. Conclusion

- 3.1 The information is presented to the Committee to show the progress of Sunderland BID.

4. Recommendation

- 4.1 The Committee is recommended to consider and comment on the progress of Sunderland BID.

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ECONOMIC PROSPERITY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

08 OCTOBER 2019

ANNUAL WORK PROGRAMME 2019-20

REPORT OF THE REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PEOPLE COMMUNICATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 The report sets out the current work programme of the Committee for the 2019-20 municipal year.

2. Background

- 2.1 The work programme is designed to set out the key issues to be addressed by the Committee during the year and provide it with a timetable of work. The Committee itself is responsible for setting its own work programme, subject to the coordinating role of the Scrutiny Coordinating Committee.
- 2.2 The work programme is intended to be a working document which Committee can develop throughout the year, allowing it to maintain an overview of work planned and undertaken during the Council year.
- 2.3 In order to ensure that the Committee is able to undertake all of its business and respond to emerging issues, there will be scope for additional meetings or visits not detailed in the work programme.
- 2.4 In delivering its work programme the Committee will support the Council in achieving its corporate outcomes

3. Current position

- 3.1 The current work programme is attached as an appendix to this report.

4. Conclusion

- 4.1 The work programme is intended to be a flexible mechanism for managing the work of the Committee in 2019-20.

5 Recommendation

- 5.1 That Members note the information contained in the work programme.

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ECONOMIC PROSPERITY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE –WORK PROGRAMME 2019-20

REASON FOR INCLUSION	11 JUNE 19	9 JULY 19	10 SEPTEMBER 19	8 OCTOBER 19	5 NOVEMBER 19	3 DECEMBER 19	14 JANUARY 20	11 FEBRUARY 20	10 MARCH 20	7 APRIL 20
Policy Framework/ Cabinet Referrals and Responses						Coastal Communities Round 5 Project (Dan Hattle)				
Scrutiny Business	Remit and Work Programme of Committee Sunderland Cultural Strategy (Rebecca Ball)	Private Sector Housing Enforcement Policy (Marion Dixon) Cross Border Taxi Licensing Enforcement (Marion Dixon)	Siglion (Jon Ritchie/Peter McIntyre)	Sunderland Business Improvement District (Sharon Appleby)	Industrial Strategy (Richard Baker/Vince Taylor)	North East England Chamber of Commerce (Jonathan Walker) Business Centres (Catherine Auld)	Major Events (Victoria French) Sunderland Rail Station – Update (Mark Jackson) International Strategy (Catherine Auld)	Environmental Enforcement (Nicky Rowland) Housing Strategy - Update (Louise Sloan)	Siglion Update (Peter McIntyre) Visit to Centre of Excellence for Sustainable Advanced Manufacturing (CESAM) Public Space Protection Orders (Michelle Coates)	Annual Report (Jim Diamond) International Advanced Manufacturing Park (Mark Jackson) Sunderland Strategic Transport Corridor – Update (Mark Jackson)
Performance / Service Improvement										
Consultation Information and Awareness Raising	Notice of Key Decisions Work Programme 18-19	Notice of Key Decisions Work Programme 18-19	Notice of Key Decisions Work Programme 18-19	Notice of Key Decisions Work Programme 18-19	Notice of Key Decisions Work Programme 18-19	Notice of Key Decisions Work Programme 18-19	Notice of Key Decisions Work Programme 18-19	Notice of Key Decisions Work Programme 18-19	Notice of Key Decisions Work Programme 18-19	Notice of Key Decisions Work Programme 18-19

Tbc Habitat Regulations Assessment Interim Strategy (Dan Hattle)
 Northumbria Road Safety Partnership (Paul Lewins)
 Recycling – Public Engagement (Ian Richardson)
 Local Plan Update (Louise Sloan)

NOTICE OF KEY DECISIONS

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PEOPLE, COMMUNICATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 To provide Members with an opportunity to consider the items on the Executive's Notice of Key Decisions.

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 Holding the Executive to account is one of the main functions of Scrutiny. One of the ways that this can be achieved is by considering the forthcoming decisions of the Executive (as outlined in the Notice of Key Decisions) and deciding whether Scrutiny can add value in advance of the decision being made. This does not negate Non-Executive Members ability to call-in a decision after it has been made.
- 2.2 To this end, the most recent version of the Executive's Notice of Key Decisions is included on the agenda of this Committee. The Notice of Key Decisions is attached marked **Appendix 1**.

3. CURRENT POSITION

- 3.1 In considering the Notice of Key Decisions, Members are asked to consider only those issues where the Scrutiny Committee or relevant Scrutiny Panel could make a contribution which would add value prior to the decision being taken.
- 3.2 In the event of Members having any queries that cannot be dealt with directly in the meeting, a response will be sought from the relevant Directorate.

4. RECOMMENDATION

- 4.1 To consider the Executive's Notice of Key Decisions at the Scrutiny Committee meeting.

5. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- Cabinet Agenda

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The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

Notice is given of the following proposed Key Decisions (whether proposed to be taken in public or in private) and of Executive Decisions including key decisions) intended to be considered in a private meeting:-

Item no.	Matter in respect of which a decision is to be made	Decision-maker (if individual, name and title, if body, its name and see below for list of members)	Key Decision Y/N	Anticipated date of decision/ period in which the decision is to be taken	Private meeting Y/N	Reasons for the meeting to be held in private	Documents submitted to the decision-maker in relation to the matter	Address to obtain further information
170927/212	To approve in principle the establishment of a new police led Road Safety Partnership (Northumbria Road Safety Partnership) embracing the Northumbria Force Area.	Cabinet	Y	During the period from 15 October to 31 December 2019.	N	Not applicable.	Cabinet report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk
190819/384	To seek approval to a contract variation and an extension to the Direct Payment Employment Support Service Contract from 14th November 2019 to the 31st March 2020.	Cabinet	Y	During the period from 15 October to 31 December 2019.	N	Not applicable.	Cabinet report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk

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181024/312	To approve the Final Business Case in relation to the development of a Regional Adoption Agency and agree next steps leading up to the establishment of the Regional Adoption Agency.	Cabinet	Y	During the period from 15 October to 31 December 2019.	N	Not applicable.	Cabinet report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk
190522/360	To consider a proposal to recommend Council to agree an amendment to the Budget and Policy Framework to enter into a potential financial arrangement with a local organisation.	Cabinet	Y	During the period from 15 October to 31 December 2019.	Y	This report is one which relates to an item during the consideration of which by Cabinet the public are likely to be excluded under Paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, as the report contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) The public interest in maintaining this exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.	Cabinet Report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk

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190823/385	Proposed Governance Arrangements for the Centre of Excellence for Sustainable Advanced Manufacturing (CESAM) and related matters	Cabinet	Y	During the period from 15 October to 31 December 2019.	Y	The report is one which relates to an item during the consideration of which by Cabinet the public are likely to be excluded under Paragraphs 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, as the report will contain information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information). The public interest in maintaining this exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.	Cabinet Report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk
190813/380	To seek approval to develop a strategic framework and action plan to enable the development of more resilient communities, including a more vibrant Social Enterprise sector.	Cabinet	Y	15 October 2019	N	Not applicable.	Cabinet report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk
190114/325	To procure a contractor to undertake works at Jacky Whites Market.	Cabinet	Y	15 October 2019	N	Not applicable.	Cabinet report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk

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190813/381	To seek Cabinet agreement for the level of investment and neighbourhood delivery model for first tier welfare rights advice provision for the period 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2023.	Cabinet	Y	15 October 2019	N	Not applicable.	Cabinet report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk
190829/386	To approve the Second Capital Review 2019-2020 (including Treasury Management).	Cabinet	Y	15 October 2019	N	Not applicable.	Cabinet Report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk
190829/387	To approve the Second Revenue Review 2019-2020.	Cabinet	Y	15 October 2019	N	Not applicable.	Cabinet Report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk
190829/388	To approve the Budget Planning Framework 2020/2021 and Medium Term Financial Strategy 2020/21 to 2023/24.	Cabinet	Y	15 October 2019	N	Not applicable.	Cabinet Report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk

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190829/389	To approve the Capital Programme Planning 2020/2021 to 2023/2024 and Capital Strategy	Cabinet	Y	15 October 2019	N	Not applicable.	Cabinet Report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk
190905/399	To approve the joint commissioning of accommodation for homeless young people by Together for Children and the Council's Housing Services.	Cabinet	Y	15 October 2019	N	Not applicable.	Cabinet report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk
190905/400	To agree to procure a dynamic partner to support the development of a sustainable, affordable credit solution for council staff and city residents	Cabinet	Y	15 October 2019	N	Not applicable.	Cabinet report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk

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190906/402	To consider expansion proposals by an existing Council tenant in respect of a strategic property and the associated capital funding and revised lease term proposals	Cabinet	Y	15 October 2019	Y	This report is one which relates to an item during the consideration of which by Cabinet the public are likely to be excluded under Paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, as the report contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) The public interest in maintaining this exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.	Cabinet Report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk
190906/403	To extend contracting arrangements for core services supporting people affected by Domestic Abuse for the period 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021 to enable the development of a joint commissioning plan for service delivery from 1 April 2021.	Cabinet	Y	15 October 2019	N	Not applicable.	Cabinet Report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk

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190906/404	<p>To re-procure "Building Public Health Capacity" contracts including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthy Workplace Service • Health Champions Programme <p>for the period 2020-2024.</p>	Cabinet	Y	15 October 2019	N	Not applicable.	Cabinet Report	<p>Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN</p> <p>committees@sunderland.gov.uk</p>
190905/401	To approve the disposal of land for residential development at North Moor Lane, Sunderland	Cabinet	Y	19 November 2019	Y	This report is one which relates to an item during the consideration of which by Cabinet the public are likely to be excluded under Paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, as the report contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) The public interest in maintaining this exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.	Cabinet Report	<p>Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN</p> <p>committees@sunderland.gov.uk</p>

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190521/358	To approve and make a capital contribution to Phase 4 of the Bridges comprising the redevelopment of the former Crowtree Ice Rink building to provide a new leisure use.	Cabinet	Y	10 December 2019	Y	This report is one which relates to an item during the consideration of which by Cabinet the public are likely to be excluded under Paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, as the report contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) The public interest in maintaining this exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.	Cabinet report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk
190910/405	To approve revisions to the city's Unauthorised Encampment Policy 2018	Cabinet	Y	10 December 2019	N	Not applicable.	Cabinet Report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk

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Subject to any prohibition or restriction on their disclosure, copies of documents submitted to the decision-maker can also be obtained from the Governance Services team PO Box 100, Civic Centre, Sunderland, or by email to committees@sunderland.gov.uk

Who will decide;

Cabinet; Councillor Graeme Miller – Leader; Councillor Michael Mordey – Deputy Leader; Councillor Paul Stewart – Cabinet Secretary; Councillor Louise Farthing – Children, Learning and Skills; Councillor Geoffrey Walker – Health and Social Care; Councillor John Kelly – Communities and Culture; Councillor Amy Wilson – Environment and Transport; Councillor Rebecca Atkinson – Housing and Regeneration.

This is the membership of Cabinet as at the date of this notice. Any changes will be specified on a supplementary notice.

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16 September 2019