



City and County of Swansea

Minutes of the **Economy & Infrastructure Policy Development Committee**

Remotely via Microsoft Teams

Thursday, 17 September 2020 at 2.00 pm

Present: Councillor P Downing (Vice Chair) P Downing (Chair) Presided

Councillor(s)

J E Burtonshaw
P K Jones
P M Matthews

Councillor(s)

R Francis-Davies
W G Lewis
T M White

Councillor(s)

P R Hood-Williams
P Lloyd

Officer(s)

Scott Dummett
Martin Nicholls
Samantha Woon

Senior Lawyer
Director of Place
Democratic Services Officer

Apologies for Absence

Councillor(s): V M Evans and M A Langstone

39 Disclosures of Personal & Prejudicial Interests.

In accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the City and County of Swansea, no interests were declared.

40 Minutes.

Resolved that the Minutes of the Economy and Infrastructure Policy Development Committee held on 20 February, 2020, be approved as a correct record.

41 Overview of Work Programme 19/20.

The Director of Place provided an overview of the topics considered by the Committee during 2019/2020.

- Green Infrastructure.
- Swansea's Economy (Tourism) – the effects of COVID 19 were discussed.
- River Corridor Strategy.
- Swansea's Economy (Implications of Brexit).
- High Street Empty Properties.
- Homes as Power Stations.
- Leader Attendance.

Members asked questions of the Director of Place who responded accordingly.

The Cabinet Member for Development and Regeneration referred to work being undertaken in relation to extending Swansea's Tourism season in order to assist with the negative impact of COVID 19.

Reference was made to a scrutiny inquiry regarding the implications of Brexit. The Director of Place confirmed that a report would be considered by the relevant Cabinet Member.

A discussion ensued regarding the Green Infrastructure Strategy and the various linkages with other aspects of Council Policy (e.g. Green Fairness Strategy).

Resolved that:

1. the Director of Place would examine the timescales of the Green Infrastructure Strategy to determine whether the Committee could consider this before consideration by Planning Committee.
2. The Director of Place consider the effects of COVID 19 on Swansea Tourism and prepare an update to a future meeting.

42 Work Plan 2020/2021.

The Vice Chair referred to the Work Plan.

Resolved that the Work Plan for 2020/2021 comprise the following:

15 October 2020	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Amnesty on Waste (Update).2. Active Travel.3. Local Toilet Strategy. (Link to be circulated to Members)
19 November 2020	
17 December 2020	
21 January 2021	
18 February 2021	
18 March 2021	
22 April 2021	
To be Scheduled	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Implications of COVID 19 on Swansea's Tourism.2) Implications of Brexit.

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	3) High Street Empty Properties. 4) Homes as Power Stations.
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The meeting ended at 2.29 pm

Chair