



City and County of Swansea

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

Remotely via Microsoft Teams

Thursday, 19 November 2020 at 2.00 pm

Present: Councillor C Anderson (Chair) Presided

Councillor(s)

J E Burtonshaw
W G Lewis
T M White

Councillor(s)

P Downing
P Lloyd

Councillor(s)

P R Hood-Williams
P M Matthews

Officer(s)

Scott Dummett
Phil Holmes
Martin Nicholls
Paul Relf
Samantha Woon

Senior Lawyer
Head of Planning & City Regeneration
Director of Place
Economic Development & External Funding Manager
Democratic Services Officer

Also present:

Leader of the Council
Cabinet Member for Investment, Regeneration and Tourism
Cabinet Member for Homes, Energy and Service Improvement
Cabinet Member for Environment Enhancement and Infrastructure Management

Apologies for Absence

Councillor(s): P K Jones

9 Disclosures of Personal & Prejudicial Interests.

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

10 Minutes.

Resolved that the Minutes of the Economy and Infrastructure Policy Development Committee held on 22 October, 2020, be approved as a correct record.

11 Consultation Response from Local Toilet Strategy.

The Director of Place introduced the consultation response in respect of the Local Toilet Strategy.

Members' noted the background, public consultation, recent and upcoming developments and next steps.

Members' asked questions of the Officer who responded accordingly.

The Cabinet Member for Investment, Regeneration and Tourism referred to the development of top end of High Street. The development would include student accommodation and would generate opportunities for local businesses. It was noted that Transport for Wales were considering the citing of public conveniences in front of the train station.

The Cabinet Member for Homes, Energy and Service Improvement detailed the successful outcomes as a result of work undertaken by the Council and Third Sector organisations in making positive impacts in relation to the number of homeless individuals within the City Centre.

The Cabinet Member for Environment Enhancement and Infrastructure Management referred to the efforts made by the Council in securing the successful DIY SOS Project in Caswell which had served to enhance the reputation of the Council and Swansea as a whole.

The Chair congratulated Officers for their input in regeneration, homelessness and the DIY SOS Project.

The Chair thanked the Director of Place for his informative report.

Resolved that the report be noted.

12 Economic Recovery Action Plan.

The Head of Planning and City Regeneration, assisted by the Economic Development and External Funding Manager, provided a comprehensive summary of the Economic Recovery Action Plan.

Members' noted the key issues within the Action Plan and the positive work that had been undertaken in securing grant streams and providing alternative range of support to support individuals and businesses.

The Cabinet Members for Investment, Regeneration and Tourism and Environment Enhancement and Infrastructure Management praised Officers for joint working and securing positive outcomes during the COVID 19 Pandemic.

The Chair and Members' expressed their gratitude to Officers for their efforts and successes.

Resolved that aspects of the Action Plan be an on-going item to be considered by the Committee.

13 Outline Work Plan 2020 - 2022.

The Chair referred to the outline Work Plan for 2020 – 2022.

The Director of Place advised that the Terms of Reference for the Economy and Infrastructure PDC would be amended at Council in December to encompass Environmental issues. It was suggested that the Work Plan items be determined in relation timescales once the amendment had been made.

Members' discussed the Consultation on the Toilet Strategy and determined that they had no further comments to make and thanked Officers for their comprehensive report.

The Economic Recovery Action Plan would need to be considered by the PDC at periodic times as the situation evolved.

Resolved that:

1. the Green Infrastructure Strategy would be considered at the meeting on 17 December 2020.
2. The Chair and Vice Chair meet with the Director of Place regarding the outline work plan for 2020-2022 and determine a timescale for the consideration of items.

The meeting ended at 2.49 pm

Chair