

Shropshire Council  
Legal and Democratic Services  
Shirehall  
Abbey Foregate  
Shrewsbury  
SY2 6ND

Wednesday, 6 September 2017

**Committee:**  
**Place Overview Committee**

**Date:** Thursday, 14 September 2017  
**Time:** 10.00 am  
**Venue:** Shrewsbury Room, Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury,  
Shropshire, SY2 6ND

You are requested to attend the above meeting.  
The Agenda is attached

Claire Porter  
Corporate Head of Legal and Democratic Services (Monitoring Officer)

**Members of Place Overview Committee**

Gwilym Butler	Paul Milner
Julian Dean	Dan Morris
Rob Gittins	William Parr
Simon Harris	Harry Taylor
Jonny Keeley	Paul Wynn

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# AGENDA

**1 Election of Chairman**

**2 Apologies for Absence**

**3 Appointment of Vice-Chairman**

**4 Declarations of Interest**

**5 Minutes of the Final Meeting of the Enterprise and Growth Scrutiny Committee (Pages 1 - 4)**

To confirm the minutes of the final meeting of the Enterprise and Growth Scrutiny Committee, held on 13<sup>th</sup> July 2017, attached marked: 3.

**6 Public Question Time**

To receive any questions or petitions from the public, notice of which has been given in accordance with Procedure Rule 14.

Deadline for notification is 5.00pm on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2017.

**7 Member Questions**

To receive any questions of which Members of the Council have given notice.

Deadline for notification is 5.00pm on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2017.

**8 North West Relief Road**

To scrutinise work done to date on developing the Outline Business Case for this project.

**9 Business Rates**

To understand the current business rate profile in Shropshire and how this feeds into the work of Shropshire Council in enabling growth of both existing businesses and attracting new businesses.

## **10 Brexit Task and Finish Group**

To consider the formation of a Task & Finish Group to explore this area and the impacts it may have on the county.

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14<sup>th</sup> September 2017

10.00 am

Item

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**MINUTES OF THE ENTERPRISE AND GROWTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD ON 13 JULY 2017  
10.00 - 11.26 AM**

**Responsible Officer:** Julie Fildes  
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**Present**

Councillor Gwilym Butler (Chairman)  
Councillors Julian Dean, Rob Gittins, Simon Harris, Dan Morris, William Parr and Harry Taylor

**5 Appointment of Vice-Chairman**

**RESOLVED:** That Councillor Simon Harris be appointed Vice-Chairman for the ensuing municipal year.

**6 Apologies for Absence and Substitutions**

There were no apologies for absence.

**7 Declarations of Interest**

None were declared.

**8 Minutes of the Last Meetings**

The minutes of the meetings held on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2017 and 18<sup>th</sup> May 2017 were confirmed as a correct record.

**9 Public Question Time**

There were no questions from members of the public.

**10 Member Questions**

There were no questions from Members.

## 11 Introduction to Scrutiny

The statutory Scrutiny Officer gave a presentation on the role and principles of Scrutiny [copy of presentation attached to the signed minutes].

Members noted that scrutiny had an important pre-decision role with recommendations based on evidence. With scrutiny's strength being in its ability to engage with communities. He continued that it was important that Members led the process through the identification of strategic work topics in an apolitical environment. To add value it was necessary for scrutiny committees to go beyond noting reports and drill down into topics.

## 12 Overview of the Key Functional Place and Enterprise

The Director of Place and Enterprise gave a presentation to the Committee [copy of presentation attached to the signed minutes]. The presentation covered the staffing structure of the Place and Enterprise Directorate, finance, key functional areas within the remit of the Scrutiny Committee and key development areas.

Members noted that the Directorate had undergone a restructure in 2016 with key staff changes. The Director of Place and Enterprise continued that the Directorate had responsibility for some of the Council's largest contracts, such as waste and highways, and was also the Council's largest income generator. The key Portfolio Holders for this Committee were the Portfolio Holders for Economic Growth, Planning and Regulation, and Highways and Transport.

## 13 Key Development Areas over the Next 2 Years

The Director of Place and Enterprise continued with the presentation, outlining the key development areas within the Place and Enterprise Directorate over a two-year timescale that will relate to this Scrutiny Committee. He explained that the key development areas were a combination of some key projects and ongoing issues. The Director of Place and Enterprise gave an overview of the following areas:

- Strategic Planning
- Development Management
- Highways
- Shrewsbury Integrated Transport Package [SITP]
- Local Transport Plan
- New Parking Strategy
- Passenger Transport
- Waste and Recycling
- Energy Recovery Centre [ERC]
- Household Recycling Centres

Members noted a number of Strategic Economic Projects:

- Ironbridge Power Station redevelopment

- Oswestry Business Park
- Flax Mill
- Clive Barracks
- Shrewsbury SUE
- Eastern Belt
- Brexit Impact
- Connecting Shropshire

14 **Draft Economic Growth Strategy**

**RESOLVED:** that the Economic Growth Strategy be considered at the next meeting of the Place and Enterprise Committee.

Signed ..... (Chairman)

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