



Chairman - Councillor F Beatty

Present (for all or part of the meeting):-

Councillors:

J A Barron	D M McNaughton
F Beatty	M Phillips
B M Cross	J P Read
A R McNaughton	D P Rouxel

Also present:-

Councilor A T A Godfrey, Leader
Councillor R Kenney, Deputy Leader
Councillors A P Edgeller, B McKeown, J M Pert

Officers in attendance:-

D Piper	-	Head of Economic Development and Planning
J Holmes	-	Development Manager
M Smith	-	Economic Growth and Strategic Projects Manager
J Allen	-	Democratic Services Officer

EDP13 Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on 24 August 2023, as previously circulated, were approved as a correct record.

EDP14 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors P C Edgeller and J S Powell

EDP15 Stafford Town Centre Transformation / Future High Streets Fund

The Economic Growth and Strategic Projects Manager delivered a presentation regarding the transformation of Stafford Town Centre, highlighting strengths and challenges for the town. Members also considered a report updating Members on progress made. It was noted that several measures can be looked at in 12-18 months time to measure the impact of the work done.

RESOLVED:- that in accordance with the powers delegated to the Committee the report be noted.

The Economic Growth and Strategic Projects Manager, Officers, Members and previous administration were thanked for the work done on the projects so far.

EDP16 Quarter 2 Performance Update

Considered a report advising Members on the progress in delivering the Council's Corporate Business Objective 1 at the end of quarter 2 for 2023-24.

The Head of Economic Development and Planning led Members through the report providing an explanation to any questions raised.

RESOLVED:- that in accordance with the powers delegated to the Committee the report be noted.

EDP17 Work Programme

Considered the report of the Head of Law and Governance detailing the forthcoming meetings up to March 2024. The Committee agreed to receive a report on Development Management performance at the March meeting of the Committee.

RESOLVED:- that in exercise of the powers delegated to the Committee, the Work Programme be approved, subject to the amendments made at the meeting.

EDP18 Town Centre Events Task and Finish Review

Nominations were received for membership of a task and finish group.

RESOLVED:- that Councillors J A Barron, A R McNaughton, D M McNaughton, M Phillips and D Rouxel would form the Town Centre Events Task and Finish Review Group with a date for the first meeting to be decided.

CHAIR