

## **ENVIRONMENT & ECONOMY SELECT COMMITTEE**

Date: Tuesday, 10 November 2020

Time: 6.00pm

Location: Virtual (via Zoom)
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Members: Councillors: M Downing (Chair), A Mitchell CC (Vice-Chair),

D Bainbridge, S Barr, S Booth, A Brown, D Cullen, J Hanafin,

M McKay, L Rossati and S Speller.

#### **AGENDA**

# PART 1

#### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

#### 2. MINUTES - 22 SEPTEMBER 2020

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Environment & Economy Select Committee held on 22 September 2020. Pages 3 – 6

3. SCOPING DOCUMENT - ECONOMIC IMPACT OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC ON STEVENAGE AND THE LOCAL ECONOMY AND THE COUNCIL'S RESPONSE

To consider, make any necessary amendments to and agree the Committee's scoping document for the review into the Economic impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on Stevenage and the local economy and the Council's response. Pages 7-10

4. HERTFORDSHIRE LOCAL ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIP (LEP) HERTS RECOVERY PLAN

To receive a presentation from Adam Wood, Hertfordshire LEP on the Herts LEP Recovery Plan.

5. PRESENTATION - IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN STEVENAGE AND THE COUNCIL'S RESPONSE

To receive a presentation from Mena Caldbeck, SBC Business Relationship Manager, on the impact of Covid-19 on economic development in Stevenage and the Council's response.

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#### 6. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS TO ASSIST THE REVIEW

In line with the Scoping document various background reports and documents were identified as being helpful to Members undertaking the review and these are provided for information. These include:

- Extracts from the June and September Medium Term Financial Strategy providing a national perspective – Appendix 1
- HM Treasury Chancellors support for businesses 22 Oct 2020 & two Local Government Futures email updates (April and June 2020) – Appendix 2
- July 2020 Executive Report Council Recovery Plan

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## 7. URGENT PART 1 BUSINESS

To consider any Part 1 business accepted by the Chair as urgent.

#### 8. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

To consider the following motions –

- 1. That under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as described in paragraphs1 7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act as amended by Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006.
- 2. That Members consider the reasons for the following reports being in Part II and determine whether or not maintaining the exemption from disclosure of the information contained therein outweighs the public interest in disclosure.

## 9. URGENT PART II BUSINESS

To consider any Part II business accepted by the Chair as urgent.

NOTE: Links to Part 1 Background Documents are shown on the last page of the individual report, where this is not the case they may be viewed by using the following link to agendas for Executive meetings and then opening the agenda for Tuesday, 10 November 2020 –

http://www.stevenage.gov.uk/have-your-say/council-meetings/161153/

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