
NOTICE OF MEETING

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, CULTURE & LEISURE SCRUTINY PANEL

THURSDAY, 10 SEPTEMBER 2015 AT 5.30 PM

GROUND FLOOR MEETING ROOM 4 - CIVIC OFFICES

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Membership:

Councillor Jennie Brent (Chair)
Councillor David Tompkins (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Scott Harris
Councillor Lee Hunt
Councillor Julie Swan
Councillor Matthew Winnington

Standing Deputies

Councillor Simon Boshier
Councillor Ryan Brent
Councillor Ben Dowling
Councillor David Fuller
Councillor Suzy Horton

(NB This Agenda should be retained for future reference with the minutes of this meeting.)

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A G E N D A

- 1 Apologies for absence**
- 2 Declarations of Members' Interests**
- 3 Minutes of Previous Meeting - 18 March 2015 (Pages 1 - 2)**

Whilst there has been some change in membership of the EDCL Scrutiny Panel for this municipal year some members remain on it so will be able to propose the agreement of the previous minutes.

RECOMMENDED that the minutes of the previous EDCL Scrutiny Panel meeting held on 18 March 2015 be approved as a correct record.

4 New review topic regarding widening student opportunities - discussion of scope of the review

The Scrutiny Management Panel on 31 July asked that the EDCL Scrutiny Panel undertake a review:

'How to develop wider opportunities - especially to consider involving students from the University and those in other further education, to the mutual benefit of the students and the City Council'

Members of the panel are asked to discuss the scope of this review and possible witnesses to be asked to contribute to it.

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Agenda Item 3

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, CULTURE & LEISURE SCRUTINY PANEL

RECORD OF DECISIONS of the meeting of the Economic Development, Culture & Leisure Scrutiny Panel held on Wednesday, 18 March 2015 at 6.00 pm at the Guildhall, Portsmouth

Present

Councillor Julie Swan (in the Chair)

Councillors Simon Boshier
Ben Dowling
Lee Hunt

6. Apologies for absence (AI 1)

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Hannah Hockaday and Matthew Winnington.

7. Declarations of Members' Interests (AI 2)

There were no declarations of members' interests.

8. Minutes of Previous Meeting - 3 February 2015 (AI 3)

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of EDCL Scrutiny Panel held on 3 February 2015 be approved as a correct record.

9. Sign off of panel's report - 'Revitalising local high streets and secondary shopping areas in the city' (AI 4)

The draft report had been made available on the website that day, to show on the agenda page for the meeting, and the panel members had received earlier drafts. The final version of the report included the Chair's preface, the legal, finance and equalities comments.

Councillor Winnington, Vice-chair, had expressed his full support for the adoption of the report. Steve Baily, Director of Culture & City Development, had also sent his apologies for absence but had indicated that he was already keen to take forward the aims of the review within his remit, as indicated within the recommendations.

Barry Walker was in attendance from Town Centre Management and Traders' Representatives from Albert Road, Jennie Catlow and Sue McCombie asked about a derelict property in Albert Road which was on the radar of the Eyesores Working Party, which Councillor Hunt undertook to take up with Bruce Lomax as Chair of the EWP.

The panel members were satisfied with the final report and the recommendations which reflected their discussions at their informal meeting

held on 26 February. This would then be forwarded to the next available Cabinet meeting in the new municipal year.

RESOLVED that the panel sign off their report 'Revitalising Local High Streets and Secondary Shopping Areas in the City'.

The meeting concluded at 6.15 pm.

Councillor Julie Swan
Chair