

Gloucestershire Economic Growth Scrutiny Committee

Wednesday 18 January 2023 at 10.00 am

Cabinet Suite - Shire Hall, Gloucester



AGENDA

1	APOLOGIES To note any apologies.	Chair
2	MINUTES (Pages 1 - 8) To confirm the minutes of the last meeting held on 29 November 2022. The actions from the last meeting are attached for information.	Chair
3	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST Members of the committee are invited to declare any pecuniary or personal interests relating to specific matters on the agenda. Please see note (a) at the end of the agenda.	Chair
SCRUTINY ITEMS		
4	SUPPORTING SMALL BUSINESSES AND ASSISTANCE FOR START UPS (Pages 9 - 12) To receive a report on the support and assistance currently being provided to small businesses and start-ups; the issues and challenges facing these businesses; and whether further support could be provided.	David Owen
5	ADDRESSING THE LABOUR SHORTAGE (Pages 13 - 16) To consider a report on the challenges of the labour shortage and what could be done to address the issues, including provision of education and training, and encouraging migration to key sectors.	Pete Carr

INFORMATION ITEMS		
6	<p>GCC ECONOMIC DASHBOARD</p> <p>To receive a presentation on the GCC Economic Dashboard.</p>	Katherine Martin
7	<p>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT (Pages 17 - 24)</p> <p>To note the attached update report from Colin Chick, Executive Director of Economy, Environment & Infrastructure.</p> <p>This report is to be taken as read. If members of the Committee have any questions, these should be emailed to William Wheatley in Democratic Services who will liaise with officers to provide a written response.</p>	Colin Chick
WORK PLANNING		
8	<p>WORK PLAN (Pages 25 - 28)</p> <p>To review the committee work plan and suggest items for consideration at future meetings.</p>	Chair
9	<p>FUTURE MEETINGS</p> <p>To note the dates of future meetings (all meetings to start at 10am):</p> <p>30 March 2023 25 May 2023 20 July 2023 21 September 2023 30 November 2023.</p>	Chair
<p>Membership – <i>Cllr Robert Vines, Cllr Roger Whyborn, Cllr Matt Babbage (Chair), Cllr Sajid Patel, Cllr Alastair Chambers, Cllr Chloe Turner, Cllr Paul Baker (Vice-Chair), Cllr Stephen Hirst and Cllr Vernon Smith Cllr Nicky Packer, Cllr Paul McCloskey, Cllr John Murphy and Cllr Gina Blomefield</i></p>		

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