



Economy Scrutiny Committee

Date: Wednesday 28 February 2018
Time: 2.00 pm
Venue: Council Chamber, Level 2, Town Hall Extension

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There will be a private meeting for Members only at 1.30pm in Committee Room 6 (Room 2006), 2nd Floor of Town Hall Extension

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Membership of the Committee

Councillors –

Davies, Green, Hacking, H Priest, Raikes, Razaq, Richards (Chair), Shilton Godwin and A Simcock

Agenda

- 1 **Urgent business**
To consider any items which the Chair has agreed to have submitted as urgent.
- 2 **Appeals**
To consider any appeals from the public against refusal to allow inspection of background documents and/or the inclusion of items in the confidential part of the agenda.
- 3 **Interests**
To allow Members an opportunity to [a] declare any personal, prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interests they might have in any items which appear on this agenda; and [b] record any items from which they are precluded from voting as a result of Council Tax/Council rent arrears; [c] the existence and nature of party whipping arrangements in respect of any item to be considered at this meeting. Members with a personal interest should declare that at the start of the item under consideration. If Members also have a prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interest they must withdraw from the meeting during the consideration of the item.
- 4 **Minutes**
To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 31 January 2018.

To receive the minute of the District Centres Sub Group meeting on 18 January 2018
- 5 **[14.05 – 15.35] Digital innovation and disruption, the Internet of Things and the potential impact on Manchester's economy and labour market**
- 5a **Manchester's Digital Sector**
Report of the Head of Policy, Partnerships and Research

The report provides a summary of the importance of the digital sector to the City, both in terms of growth and its potential role in promoting and supporting other priorities, such as inclusion, health and transport. It draws a distinction between digitally focused businesses and those businesses that use digital platforms. The report also covers future impacts of digital technologies and artificial intelligence and the key challenges, including those relating to digital skills and infrastructure.

The following items will support and complement the above report and assist in framing the Committee's debate on this item.
- 5b **Digital Partners**

A number of Digital Partners have been invited to present their projects and case studies of their work, give their perspective of the digital sector and provocations as to how Manchester can best benefit from the opportunities that exist.

5c **Digital Strategy – Project Proposal**

Report of the Head of Policy, Partnerships and Research

This report sets out the need for and roll out of a Digital Strategy for the city. It also includes a project proposal for the Digital Strategy's creation.

6 **[15.35 – 14.45] Overview Report**

Report of the Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit.

This report includes a summary of key decisions due to be taken that are relevant to the Committee's remit as well as an update on actions resulting from the Committee's recommendations.

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Information about the Committee

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The Economy Scrutiny Committee has responsibility for looking at how the city's economy is growing and how Manchester people are benefiting from the growth.

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