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ECONOMY COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Economy Committee will be held in the **Council Chamber at Arun Civic Centre, Maltravers Road, Littlehampton, BN17 5LF on Thursday 5 October 2023 at 6.00 pm** and you are requested to attend.

Members: Councillors Nash (Chair), Dr Walsh (Vice-Chair), Cooper, Edwards, Gunner, Lawrence, Lloyd, Needs, Northeast, Penycate and Stanley

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1. Where a member of the public wishes to attend the meeting or has registered a request to take part in Public Question Time, they will be invited to submit the question in advance of the meeting to be read out by an Officer, but of course can attend the meeting in person.
2. We request members of the public do not attend any face-to-face meeting if they have Covid-19 symptoms.

Any members of the public wishing to address the Committee meeting during Public Question Time, will need to email Committees@arun.gov.uk by 5.15 pm on Thursday, 28 September 2023 in line with current Committee Meeting Procedure Rules.

It will be at the Chief Executive's/Chair's discretion if any questions received after this deadline are considered. For further information on the items to be discussed, please contact Committees@arun.gov.uk.

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members and Officers are invited to make any declaration of pecuniary, personal and/or prejudicial interests that they may have in relation to items on this agenda and are reminded that they should re-declare their interest before consideration of the items or as soon as the interest becomes apparent.

Members and Officers should make their declaration by stating:

- a) the item they have the interest in
- b) whether it is a pecuniary/personal interest and/or prejudicial interest
- c) the nature of the interest

3. MINUTES

(Pages 1 - 22)

The Committee will be asked to approve as a correct record the minutes of the Economy Committee meeting held on 13 June 2023 and the minutes of the Extraordinary Economy Committee held on 19 June 2023.

4. ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA THAT THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MEETING IS OF THE OPINION SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY BY REASON OF SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

5. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

To receive questions from the public (for a period of up to 15 minutes)

6. BUDGET PROCESS REPORT

(Pages 23 - 28)

The purpose of this report is to inform Members of the budget process for 2024/25 as required by Part 6, Section 2 of the Council's Constitution.

7. BUDGET MONITORING REPORT Q1

(Pages 29 - 34)

The report sets out in further detail the Committee's Revenue and Capital programme budget performance projections to the 31 March 2024.

8. PIER ROAD, LITTLEHAMPTON - PROPOSED ROAD CLOSURE (Pages 35 - 38)

At the June meeting the Economy Committee instructed Officers to submit the preferred scheme for the permanent closure of Pier Road to West Sussex County Council (WSSCC) as a Community Highway Scheme. The application was put forward and this report advises the outcome of that bid.

9. LITTLEHAMPTON TOWN CENTRE ACTION GROUP AND PLAN (Pages 39 - 70)

This report provides Members with the first draft of the Action Plan and Strategy that it is proposed the Action Group adopt.

10. CREATIVE VISION FOR BOGNOR REGIS (Pages 71 - 74)

The purpose of the report is to seek approval from members of the committee to pursue a creative vision document for Bognor Regis, which seeks to capitalise on the ongoing regeneration and development in the town.

11. ARUN VISITOR STRATEGY (Pages 75 - 84)

To endorse the new Visitor Strategy for 2023 – 2028, and agree to adopt the strategy, its priorities and actions, and the recommendations below.

OUTSIDE BODIES - FEEDBACK FROM MEETINGS

12. WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 89 - 92)

The Committee Work Programme is attached for members to note.

Note : If Members have any detailed questions, they are reminded that they need to inform the Chair and relevant Director in advance of the meeting.

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