

Date of meeting **Monday, 4th November, 2013**

Time **7.00 pm**

Venue **Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Merrial Street,
Newcastle-under-Lyme, Staffordshire, ST5 2AG**

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Economic Development and Enterprise Overview and Scrutiny Committee

AGENDA

PART 1 – OPEN AGENDA

1 Apologies for Absence

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations of interest from Members on items included in this agenda.

3 MINUTES **(Pages 1 - 6)**

To agree as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 10 September 2013.

4 PRELIMINARY DRAFT REPORT FROM THE HS2 WORKING GROUP **(Pages 7 - 12)**

The Preliminary Draft Report from the HS2 Working Group is attached. The Committee are asked for their input on the report before being considered by Council on the 27 November 2013.

5 PORTFOLIO HOLDER QUESTION TIME

The Portfolio Holder for Economic Development, Regeneration and Town Centres will give a statement on his priorities and work objectives for the next six months. The Committee will have the opportunity to ask questions following the statement. There will be an opportunity for the Portfolio Holder to flag up areas within their remit that may benefit from scrutiny in the future e.g. policy development.

6 NEWCASTLE AND KIDSGROVE TOWN CENTRE PARTNERSHIPS

The relevant Portfolio Holder will be in attendance to give a briefing and answer questions on the latest position of the Newcastle Town Centre Partnership and the Kidsgrove Town Centre Partnership.

7 WORK PLAN

(Pages 13 - 14)

To discuss and update the work plan.

8 URGENT BUSINESS

To consider any business which is urgent within the meaning of Section 100B(4) of the Local Government Act 1972

Members: Councillors Miss Baker (Vice-Chair), Cairns, Clarke, Holland, Jones, Loades, Matthews, Olszewski, Stringer (Chair) and Wilkes

Members of the Council: If you identify any personal training/development requirements from any of the items included in this agenda or through issues raised during the meeting, please bring them to the attention of the Democratic Services Officer at the close of the meeting.

Meeting Quorums :- 16+= 5 Members; 10-15=4 Members; 5-9=3 Members; 5 or less = 2 Members.

Officers will be in attendance prior to the meeting for informal discussions on agenda items.