

Place Services and Economic Growth Policy and Scrutiny Committee

10:30	Thursday, 25	Online Meeting
	February 2021	

The meeting will be open to the public via telephone or online. Details about this are on the next page. Please do not attend County Hall as no one connected with this meeting will be present.

For information about the meeting please ask for:

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Essex County Council and Committees Information

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Members of the public:

Online:

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Pages 1 Membership, Apologies, Substitutions and 5 - 5 **Declarations of Interest** 2 6 - 10Minutes from the previous meeting To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 21 January 2021. **Questions from the Public** 3 A period of up to 15 minutes will be allowed for members of the public to ask questions or make representations on any item on the agenda for this meeting. No statement or question shall be longer than three minutes and speakers will be timed. If you would like to ask a question at this meeting, please email **Democratic Services** by 12 noon the day before (Wednesday 24 February). **Essex Libraries Service Update** 11 - 11 4

Members to receive report (PSEG/03/21) alongside a verbal update and presentation from Councillor Susan Barker, Cabinet Member for Customer, Communities Culture and Corporate, Juliet Pirez, Head of Libraries, Elizabeth Sippings, Citizen Services Manager and Carolyn Peter, Citizen Services Manager.

5 Skills for Essex Strategy 2021-23

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Members to receive report (PSEG/04/21) alongside a presentation from Councillor Tony Ball, Cabinet Member for Economic Growth, Mark Doran, Director Sustainable Growth, Andy Burgess, Head of Economic Development, Sarah Read, Localities Lead and Caroline Betts, Skills Development Manager

6 Committee Work Programme

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Members to receive current Committee Work Programme.

7 Date of Next Meeting

To note that the next meeting of the Committee will take place online on Thursday 25th March 2021.

8 Urgent Business

To consider any matter which in the opinion of the Chairman should be considered in public by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) as a matter of urgency.

Exempt Items

(During consideration of these items the meeting is not likely to be open to the press and public)

The following items of business have not been published on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information falling within Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972. Members are asked to consider whether or not the press and public should be excluded during the consideration of these items. If so it will be necessary for the meeting to pass a formal resolution:

That the press and public are excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the remaining items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information falling within Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, the specific paragraph(s) of Schedule 12A engaged being set out in the report or appendix relating to that item of business.

9 Urgent Exempt Business

To consider in private any other matter which in the opinion of the Chairman should be considered by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) as a matter of urgency.