

# STRONGER HEREFORD

## Notes from a meeting of the STRONGER HEREFORD – PROJECT DEVELOPMENT GROUP (PDG) MEETING held on 6 September 2023, 8.30-9.00 am via MS Teams

<b>Members:</b>	Abigail Appleton	AA	Principal, Hereford College of Arts (and Chair of Hereford Stronger Towns Board)
	James Newby	JN	President & CEO, NMITE
<b>Attendees:</b>	Christian Dangerfield	CD	Rose Regeneration (RR)
	Joni Hughes	JH	Portfolio Manager, Capital Development, HC
<b>Apologies: /Absences</b>	Ivan Annibal	IA	Rose Regeneration (RR)
	Frank Myers MBE	FM	Chair
	Paul Stevens	PS	Hereford City BID
	Julian Vaughan	JV	Green Dragon Hotel, Hereford
<b>Notetaker:</b>	Jan Bailey	JB	Herefordshire Business Board

ITEM	NOTES	ACTION
1.	<p><b>Notes of previous meetings</b></p> <p>The notes from the PDG meeting held on 23 August 2023 were approved as an accurate record.</p>	
2.	<p><b>Legacy Workshop</b></p>	
2.1	CD presented legacy ideas for #StrongerHereford, which he suggested could focus on three areas: Skills, Visitor Economy, Links with Market Towns. His proposal was to have an initial 'kick off' workshop in October, followed by working groups being set up to focus on each of these themes.	
2.3	Following a query from JN, CD advised that these themes had been chosen as they were the 'golden threads' running through the original Towns Improvement Plan (together with connectivity).	
2.4	With regard to the Market Towns theme, attendees suggested the approach is discussed further with Roger Allonby.	CD
2.5	With regard to the Skills theme, members commented on the complexity of this issue and the importance of linking in with other initiatives in order to maximise impact.	
2.6	With regard to the Visitor Economy theme, AA advised caution on expenditure decisions. In particular, she wanted to understand from IA any formal processes and governance to do with utilising the 2% Programme Management budget. She also wanted reassurance that any STF monies deployed would be to celebrate the achievements of the STF Programme and not to support projects that should be funded by the Economy and Place Board.	
2.7	It was agreed to hold a legacy workshop as part of the 5 <sup>th</sup> October Project Sponsors Meeting.	RR
3.	<p><b>Date of Next Meetings</b></p> <p><b>Next PDG Meeting: Wednesday 13 September, 8.30 – 9.00 am via Teams.</b></p>	

	<b>Next Stronger Hereford Board Meeting:</b> Friday 6 October, 8.30 – 10.00 am Venue to be confirmed.	
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