



**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE  
ASPIRE AND PROSPER SCRUTINY  
COMMITTEE  
HELD ON 7th MARCH 2017**

PRESENT: Councillors S Goodall (Chair), P Thurgood (Vice-Chair), R Bilcliff, J Chesworth, R Ford, R Kingstone, R Rogers and P Standen

CABINET: Councillor D Cook

The following officers were present: Ryan Keyte (Senior Legal Officer)

**52 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor S Peaple

**53 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held on 17 January 2017 were approved and signed as a correct record.

*(Moved by Councillor R Rogers and seconded by Councillor J Chesworth)*

**54 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no Declarations of Interest.

**55 UPDATE FROM CHAIR**

There were no updates given by the Chair

**56 TOURISM AND HERITAGE (THE CASTLE)**

It was decided to take this item to the next Aspire and Prosper Committee on 11 April 2017 as the Committee are waiting a report

**57 TOWN CENTRE PARKING**

A proposal was received by the Committee from Councillor P Standen with regards for the consideration for a trial period of free car parking in Council operated Town Centre Car Parks after 3 pm on Fridays (free after three) as a positive response to issues raised by Members of the public in feedback for the State of Tamworth Debate and to assist in boosting the Town Centre's day time economy.

Councillor D Cook Leader of the Council presented evidence regarding revenue from parking. This resulted in a discussion prompted by some questions and although no support for Councillor Standen's motion was presented the topic would be left on the Agenda.

**58 FORWARD PLAN - 1 FEBRUARY 2017 - 31 MAY 2017**

The Committee considered the Forward Plan for 1 February 2017 to 31 May 2017

**59 WORK PLAN 2016-2017**

The Committee considered the Work Plan for 2016/17

**RESOLVED:** That the Committee approved the following work plan

**Aspire and Prosper Scrutiny Work Plan**

<b>Work Plan 2016/17</b>	
<b>DATE</b>	<b>SUBJECT</b>
<b>11.04.2017</b>	Tourism and Heritage (The Castle)
<b>11.04.2017</b>	Town Centre Parking
<b>TBC</b>	Provision of Post – 16 Education and Training in Tamworth
<b>TBC</b>	Strategic Investment Fund
<b>TBC</b>	West Midlands Combined Authority
<b>TBC</b>	Reasons why Tamworth is more aligned to Birmingham?

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Chair

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