STRONGER HEREFORD

Notes from a meeting of the STRONGER HEREFORD – PROJECT DEVELOPMENT GROUP (PDG) MEETING held on 23 August 2023, 8.30-9.00 am via MS Teams

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

ITEM	NOTES	ACTION
1.	Welcome and Apologies	
	The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies and absences are as noted above.	
2.	Notes of previous meetings	
	The notes from the PDG meeting held on 19 July 2023 were approved as an accurate record.	
3.	Councillors' Briefing	
3.1	AA outlined plans for the Councillors' briefing being held on 6 September at 5.00 pm at Herefordshire Council's Head Office, Plough Lane, Hereford:	
	 A presentation to include Background to #StrongerHereford The story so far An overview of the 15 projects, clustered by theme Financial information Challenges Opportunities – particularly the need to maintain the momentum beyond the period of the #StrongerHereford grant. Question and Answer session 	
3.2	A document prepared by CD on the Hereford Town Fund legacy was noted, particularly the intention to maximise opportunities presented in 2025 when most projects would have completed their capital expenditure programme.	
3.3	It was noted that a good response had been received to the invitation to the briefing, 50+ individuals having signified they would be attending. One person from each project has been asked to attend alongside Councillors from Herefordshire Council and Hereford City Council.	

4.	Date of Next Meeting		
	Next PDG Meeting: Wednesday 6 September, 8.30 – 9.00 am via Teams.		
	Next Stronger Hereford Board Meeting: Friday 1 September, 8.30 – 10.00 am at Hereford College of Arts, College Road, Hereford Campus (dial in option available).		