STRONGER HEREFORD

Notes from a meeting of the
STRONGER HEREFORD – PROJECT DEVELOPMENT GROUP (PDG) MEETING
held on 2 October 2024 from 9.15 – 10.15 am via MS Teams

Members:	Frank Myers MBE	FM	Chair
	Abigail Appleton	AA	Principal, Hereford College of Arts (and Chair of Hereford Stronger Towns Board)
	Paul Stevens	PS	Hereford City BID
Attendees:	Ian Annibal	IA	Rose Regeneration (RR)
	Joni Hughes	JH	Portfolio Manager, Capital Development, HC (part)
Guest	Stephen Taylor	ST	Wyeside Project
Apologies: /Absences	Christian Dangerfield	CD	Rose Regeneration (RR)
	James Newby	JN	President & CEO, NMITE
Notetaker:	Jan Bailey	JB	Herefordshire Business Board

ITEM	NOTES	ACTION
1.	**New Declarations of Interest** None	
2.	**Notes of previous meetings** The notes of the PDG meeting held on 1 May were approved as a correct record.	
3.	**Wyeside Project**	
3.1	The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. He asked ST for an update on the current situation with the Wyeside Project.	
3.2	ST updated as follows: • The project team is waiting for the outcome of planning decisions. The Planning Committee is due to meet on 26 October. • All work that does not require planning has been completed as planned, apart from installation of a last power point.	
3.3	IA requested an update on a number of specific items that were included in the original Full Business Case for the project. After hearing ST's response to each of these items, IA advised that a Project Adjustment Request (PAR) would need to be submitted to Government. Even though original targets would still be met by the project, he advised that a PAR is required because there is significant change in the way the targets would be met.	RR
3.4	The Chair asked that ST and RR work together to scenario plan for the two eventualities from the Planning Committee, ie i) Planning permission granted, and ii) Planning permission denied. This to include expenditure projections.	ST/RR
4.	**Any Other Business**	
4.1	AA advised that she had authorised the renewal of the Stronger Towns website domain name and hosting for another year.	

5.	**Date of Next Meetings** **Next PDG Meeting: TBC** **Next Stronger Hereford Board Meeting: Friday 4 October 2024 – 10.00 am (hybrid meeting – via Zoom and at Hereford College of Arts).**	