

Report to

Council

Agenda
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Meeting Date: **7th January 2020**

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Title: **Economic Growth Overview and Scrutiny – Councillor Lisa Brown**

As a new Scrutiny Chair, I wanted to make sure that I understood the role of Scrutiny at this point of the budget process, so I met with the Overview and Scrutiny Officer to discuss. We talked through which parts of the budget fit the Panel's remit and looked at potential talking points for the Panel. My thanks to the Overview and Scrutiny Officer for taking the time to meet with me.

Full details of the questions asked at the Economic Growth Panel can be found in the minutes.

It was an informative meeting for all members, although it was a short meeting. The Corporate Director of Economic Development and the Corporate Director of Finance and Resources were able to answer the Panel's questions confidently. Members made special mention of the success of the Assembly Rooms as a venue and congratulated the team for their hard work. We also look forward to hearing more about the development of the B.I.D.

The Work Programme for the next part of the Civic Year was discussed, and we are keen to see how the Economic Strategy for Carlisle is developed.

Cllr Lisa Brown
Chair of Economic Growth Overview and Scrutiny Panel