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Agenda

Membership:

Cllrs:	Jennifer Wheeler (Mayor)	Andrew Fry
	Nina Wood-Ford (Deputy Mayor)	Bill Hartnett
	Joe Baker	Pattie Hill
	Tom Baker-Price	Gay Hopkins
	Roger Bennett	Wanda King
	Natalie Brookes	Jane Potter
	Juliet Brunner	Gareth Prosser
	David Bush	Antonia Pulsford
	Michael Chalk	Mark Shurmer
	Debbie Chance	Rachael Smith
	Greg Chance	Yvonne Smith
	Anita Clayton	Paul Swansborough
	Brandon Clayton	David Thain
	Matthew Dormer	Pat Witherspoon
	John Fisher	

- 6.** Questions on Notice (Procedure Rule 9.2) (Pages 1 - 2)
- 7.** Motions on Notice (Procedure Rule 11) (Pages 3 - 4)

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Question from a member of the Public

3) From Mr M Rouse:

How does the Council support elderly and disabled people to keep as active as possible?

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Redditch Borough Council**2nd October 2017****Motion on Notice****Enhancements to the Rail Service**

Proposed by Councillor Hartnett, seconded by Councillor Brunner

One of, if not the most important, priorities for this Council is Economic Development and Regeneration as part of our strategic purpose "Help me run a successful business". Key to this is our relationship with Birmingham and in particular our connectivity (particularly rail) into and out of the conurbation. This is key, not only to our businesses, but also our residents who often travel in and out of Birmingham.

However there are two main issues that impact on this connectivity which are fare parity (people tend to pay less for using the rail service within the Transport for West Midlands (formerly Centro) area than they do to travel from Birmingham to Redditch and the time take to travel into and out of the conurbation. If these issues were to be addressed then there would be a significant benefit to the Redditch economy:

"Redditch Council therefore calls upon Transport for West Midlands and Worcestershire County Council to work with Redditch Borough Council to urgently investigate and produce a sound business case on enhancements to the current rail service to and from Redditch namely :

- 1) The introduction of an express train in the morning and in the evening which would only stop at university and new street (both directions)
- 2) To seek the equalisation of rail fares to and from Redditch to the same level of fare as the WMCA metropolitan council areas.

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