### Agenda



# City Centre Public Spaces Protection Order Scrutiny Panel

Date: Monday 5 October 2015

Time: **3.30 pm** 

Place: St Aldate's Room, Town Hall

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## **City Centre Public Spaces Protection Order Scrutiny Panel**

#### **Membership**

Chair Councillor Andrew Gant

Vice-Chair

Councillor Mary Clarkson

Councillor Sian Taylor

Councillor David Thomas

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#### Background Information

An earlier version of the City Centre PSPO report was considered by the Scrutiny Committee on 2 June 2015 before the original decision was deferred.

The revised City Centre PSPO report is due to go to the City Executive Board for decision on 15 October 2015.

The Panel was established by the Scrutiny Committee to prescrutinise the revised City Centre PSPO in a one-off public meeting.

#### Why is it on the agenda?

For pre-decision scrutiny. The Panel's findings and any recommendations will be reported to the Scrutiny Committee on 6 October 2015.

#### Who has been invited to comment?

- Councillor Bob Price, Leader of the Council;
- Councillor Dee Sinclair, Board Member for Crime, Community Safety and Licensing;
- Richard Adams, Service Manager, Environmental Protection;
- Jeremy Thomas, Head of Law and Governance.

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