

A G E N D A

Education Scrutiny Committee

Date: **Monday, 5th April, 2004**

Time: **10.00 a.m.**

Place: **Council Chamber, Brockington,
Hafod Road, Hereford**

Notes: Please note the **time, date** and **venue** of
the meeting.

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**County of Herefordshire
District Council**



HEREFORDSHIRE
COUNCIL

AGENDA

for the Meeting of the Education Scrutiny Committee

To: Councillor B.F. Ashton (Chairman)
Councillor J.P. Thomas (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors H. Bramer, N.J.J. Davies, R.M. Manning, Mrs. J.E. Pemberton,
Mrs. S.J. Robertson, D.C. Taylor, Ms. A.M. Toon and W.J. Walling
Church Members: J.G. Griffin, (Roman Catholic), Rev. . Terry (Church of England).
Parent Governor Members: Ms. K. Fitch (Primary), Mrs S. Wright (Secondary).
Co-opted Teacher Representatives: Ms E. Christopher (Special), C. Lewandowski
(Secondary), J.D. Pritchard (Primary).
Co-opted Headteacher Representatives: A. Marson (Secondary), Miss S. Peate
(Primary)

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE To receive apologies for absence.	
2. NAMED SUBSTITUTES (IF ANY) To receive details any details of Members nominated to attend the meeting in place of a Member of the Committee.	
3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST To receive any declarations of interest by Members in respect of items on the Agenda.	
4. MINUTES To approve and sign the Minutes of the meeting held on 19th January, 2004.	1 - 6
5. HEREFORDSHIRE CHILDCARE INFORMATION SERVICE - NATIONAL AWARD FOR SERVICE DELIVERY To note the role of the Herefordshire Childcare Information Service, and the national commendation of the high quality of its work. NOTE: The leaflet on the Service has been made available to Members with the agenda. Copies can be made available to the public on request.	7 - 8
6. SCHOOL OPINION OF THE VALUE OF THE QUALITY OF CENTRAL LEA SERVICES PROVIDED BY HEREFORDSHIRE COUNCIL To provide information about the results from the survey of schools carried out in the spring term 2004.	9 - 18
7. BEST VALUE REVIEW OF THE INSPECTION, ADVICE AND SCHOOL PERFORMANCE SERVICE - STAGE 3 REPORT	19 - 20

To consider the Stage 3 Report of the Best Value Review of the Inspection, Advice and School Performance Service (IASPS).

NOTE: the stage 3 report is enclosed separately for members of the committee and is available to the public on request.

BVR Stage 3 IASPS

This report was issued as a separate report with the agenda.

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| 8. OFSTED SCHOOL INSPECTIONS SINCE 1 SEPTEMBER 2003 | 21 - 26 |
| To up-date the Committee on the outcomes of Ofsted School Inspections (both locally and nationally) between 1 September 2003 and the start of the current academic year. | |
| 9. PUPIL ADMISSIONS - TRANSFER OF YEAR 6 PUPILS TO HIGH SCHOOLS, SEPTEMBER 2004 | 27 - 34 |
| To consider the outcomes at 15th March, 2004 of the newly introduced admission arrangements for high schools under which parents are entitled to express three preferences for admission of their children into Year 7. | |
| 10. RACE RELATIONS ACT 2000 - MONITORING OF INCIDENTS IN SCHOOLS | 35 - 72 |
| To consider the Council's implementation of the requirement to monitor all incidents of racial harassment in the County's maintained schools. | |
| 11. MONITORING OF CAPITAL AND REVENUE EXPENDITURE | 73 - 80 |
| To report on revenue and capital expenditure up to 31st March, 2004. | |
| 12. SCHOOL TRANSPORT REVIEW - INTERIM REPORT | 81 - 82 |
| To inform the Committee about the work of the School Transport Review Group. | |
| 13. SURE START (WHOLE COUNTY) - 2 YEAR PLAN | 83 - 84 |
| To provide information about the two-year action plan for early years provision and the development of early years services in the County. | |
| 14. EARLY YEARS EDUCATION - "COMMUNICATION MATTERS" | 85 - 86 |
| To inform the Committee of the imminent publication of a new Herefordshire training video, <i>Communication Matters</i> , on early years education. | |