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7th October, 2004

Dear Councillor,

MEETING OF CABINET THURSDAY, 14TH OCTOBER, 2004 AT 2.15 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBER, BROCKINGTON, 35 HAFOD ROAD, HEREFORD

AGENDA (04/08)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any declarations of interest by members in respect of items on this agenda.

3. LOCAL PUBLIC SERVICE AGREEMENT UPDATE

To receive a report on the latest performance against the Local Public Service Agreement (LPSA) targets together with an update to the second round of LPSAs to be negotiated with Government. (*Pages 1 - 26*)

4. THE GOVERNMENT'S FIVE YEAR STRATEGY FOR CHILDREN AND LEARNERS

To consider the range of proposals made in the Five Year Strategy for Children and Learners published by the DfES in July 2004. (*Pages 27 - 34*)

5. THE HEREFORDSHIRE CODE OF PRACTICE FOR THE TEMPORARY AGRICULTURAL USE OF POLYTUNNELS

To consider the future of the voluntary Code of Practice to control the siting of polytunnels in Herefordshire. (*Pages 35 - 42*)

6. THE CHILDREN'S BILL

To address the Council's approach to the Children's Bill and specifically its approach to the appointment of a Cabinet Member with responsibility for Children's Services. (*Pages 43 - 50*)

EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

In the opinion of the Proper Officer, the next item will not be, or is likely not to be, open to the public and press at the time it is considered.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Schedule 12(A) of the Act as indicated below.

7. THE CHILDREN'S BILL

To address the Council's approach to the Children's Bill and specifically its approach to the appointment of a Director of Children's Services. (*Pages 51 - 52*)

This item discloses information relating to a particular employee, former employee or applicant to become an employee of, or a particular office-holder, former office-holder or applicant to become an office-holder under, the authority.

Yours sincerely,

Neil Trigh

N.M. PRINGLE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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