

Environment Scrutiny Committee

Date: Wednesday, 8th December, 2004

Time: **10.00 a.m.**

Place: Brockington, 35 Hafod Road,

Hereford

Notes: Please note the time, date and venue of

the meeting.

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County of Herefordshire District Council



AGENDA

for the Meeting of the Environment Scrutiny **Committee**

To: Councillor J.H.R. Goodwin (Chairman) Councillor W.L.S. Bowen (Vice-Chairman)

> Councillors P.J. Dauncey, G.W. Davis. Mrs. A.E. Gray, K.G. Grumbley, T.W. Hunt, R. Mills, J.W. Newman and Miss F. Short

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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.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST 3.

To receive any declarations of interest by Members in respect of items on the Agenda.

4. **MINUTES**

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To approve and sign the Minutes of the meeting held on 17th September, 2004.

5. **CAPITAL BUDGET MONITORING**

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To advise Members on the progress of the 2004/05 Capital Programme for Environment Areas within the overall context of the Herefordshire Council Capital Programme.

ENVIRONMENT REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING 6.

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To advise members of Budget Monitoring the position for the Environment Programme Area budgets for the period to 30th September 2004. The report lists the variations against budget at this stage in the year.

A49 TRUNK ROAD - ROAD SAFETY ISSUES 7.

To discuss road safety issues concerning the A49 trunk road in Herefordshire.

A49 Highways Agnecy statement

This statement was received after the agenda was published but was made available at the meeting.

8. GOOD ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT (GEM) PERFORMANCE | 25 - 42 **2004/5 HALF YEAR**

To review the Council's environmental management / ISO 14001 system at the half year to ensure that it continues to be suitable, adequate and effective and deliver improvement in environmental performance. 9. SUPPORTING LOCAL BUS SERVICES 43 - 52 To clarify the Council's policy on the allocation of bus service subsidies and to inform the Committee on the level of passenger use of subsidised bus services. HEREFORDSHIRE PLAN AMBITIONS - CONTRIBUTION MADE BY THE 53 - 56 10. **ENVIRONMENT DIRECTORATE** To report on the Environment Directorate's contributions to the work of the Environment Ambition Group and Transport Wider Reference Group. 11. 57 - 62 **HUMAN RESOURCES** To report on the sickness absence and other matters for the Environment Directorate. BEST VALUE REVIEWS - IMPLEMENTATION OF IMPROVEMENT 12. 63 - 66 **PLANS** To report the remaining actions and the exceptions to the programmed progress in the improvement plans resulting from the reviews of Development Control, Public Conveniences, and Public Rights of Way. 13. MONITORING OF 2004/2005 PERFORMANCE INDICATORS - APRIL 67 - 72 **2004 TO SEPTEMBER 2004** To update Members on the exceptions to the targeted progress made by the Environment Directorate for the six months April to September 2004 towards achieving the performance indicators / targets which appear in the Council's Corporate Plan and are reported bi-monthly.

UPDATE ON THE REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S PARKING STRATEGY

To receive an oral update on the review of the Council's Parking Strategy.

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