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Dear Councillor,

**MEETING OF CABINET
THURSDAY, 14TH JULY, 2005 AT 2.15 P.M.
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, BROCKINGTON, 35 HAFOD ROAD, HEREFORD**

AGENDA (05/12)

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. REVIEW OF DENOMINATIONAL TRANSPORT

To consider any reference from the Children's Services Scrutiny Committee following the call-in of Cabinet's decision on 23rd June, 2005 in relation to the Review of Denominational Transport. *(A report will be tabled at the meeting if necessary.)*

4. CORPORATE PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT: SELF-ASSESSMENT

To approve the Council's self-assessment to be submitted to the Audit Commission for the forthcoming Corporate Performance Assessment. *(Pages 1 - 8)*



5. YOUTH JUSTICE PLAN

To endorse the Youth Justice Plan which is prepared on an annual basis on behalf of Herefordshire Council and Worcestershire County Council. *(Pages 9 - 10)*

Note: The Youth Justice Plan can be found on the Council's website www.herefordshire.gov.uk or is available on request.

6. COMMUNITY FORUMS

To receive a report on the June 2005 round of Community Forum meetings. *(Pages 11 - 22)*

7. STATEMENT OF INTERNAL CONTROL

To approve the Statement of Internal Control for 2004/05. *(Pages 23 - 30)*

8. GENERAL RESERVES, PROVISIONS AND BALANCES

To note the current level of reserves and review the Council's policy regarding the maintenance and application of such reserves. *(Pages 31 - 40)*

9. PROCUREMENT STRATEGY

To approve the Council's Procurement Strategy. *(Pages 41 - 50)*

10. IMPLEMENTING ELECTRONIC GOVERNMENT RETURN

To approve the Implementing Electronic Government Return 2005 Mid Term (IEG4.5). *(Pages 51 - 80)*

11. ENVIRONMENT STRATEGY AND REVISED ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

To agree the Corporate Environment Strategy and the proposed revision of the Council's Environmental Policy. *(Pages 81 - 108)*

12. HEREFORDSHIRE PROVISIONAL LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN 2006/07

To recommend to Council the submission of the Provisional Local Transport Plan (LTP) for the period 2006/07 to 2010/11 to Government. *(Pages 109 - 122)*

13. JOINT TEAM WITH THE PENSION SERVICE

To approve the setting up of a Joint Team, an integrated partnership between the Department of Work and Pensions and the Council, potentially incorporating the Welfare Rights, Housing Benefit and Fairer Charging Teams. *(Pages 123 - 126)*

14. GREEN PAPER ON ADULT SOCIAL CARE: "INDEPENDENCE, WELL-BEING AND CHOICE"

To receive a report on the content of the Green Paper and to consider a prepared draft response and to make comments and additions. *(Pages 127 - 132)*

15. STRATEGIC MONITORING COMMITTEE

To note the report of the Strategic Monitoring Committee to Council. *(Report to follow)*

16. GRAFTON TRAVELLERS' SITE

To consider the future of the Grafton Travellers' Site in Hereford. *(Pages 133 - 140)*

EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

In the opinion of the Proper Officer, the next items will not be, or are likely not to be, open to the public and press at the time they are considered.

RECOMMENDATION:

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

GRAFTON TRAVELLERS' SITE - APPENDIX 2

Appendix 2 to this report discloses information relating to the amount of any expenditure proposed or to be incurred by the authority under any particular contract for the acquisition of property or the supply of goods or services.

(Pages 141 - 142)

17. HEREFORDSHIRE JARVIS SERVICES

To receive the financial results of Herefordshire Jarvis Services (HJS) for the period to 31st March, 2005. *(Pages 143 - 144)*

This item discloses information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (other than the authority).

18. THE HEREFORDSHIRE STRATEGIC SERVICE DELIVERY PARTNERSHIP ANNUAL REPORT 2005

To receive a report on the performance of the Partnership against the objectives set out in the Service Delivery Agreements. *(Pages 145 - 166)*

This item discloses any terms proposed or to be proposed by or to the authority in the course of negotiations for a contract for the acquisition or disposal of property or the supply of goods or services.

19. DISHLEY STREET CAR PARK, LEOMINSTER

To consider a proposal to dispose of an area of Dishley Street Car Park, Leominster and to substitute additional replacement public car parking spaces at Etnam Street. *(Pages 167 - 170)*


This item disclosed information relating to any terms proposed or to be proposed by or to the authority in the course of negotiations for a contract for the acquisition or disposal of property or the supply of goods or services.

20. HOMELESSNESS IMPROVEMENT PLAN

To consider and agree a Homelessness Improvement Plan which sets out a range of objectives and actions for the purpose of tackling the current homelessness problem in Herefordshire. *(Pages 171 - 188)*

This item discloses information relating to any terms proposed or to be proposed by or to the authority in the course of negotiations for a contract for the acquisition or disposal or property or the supply of goods and services.

Yours sincerely,



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