

CORPORATE AND CUSTOMER SERVICES

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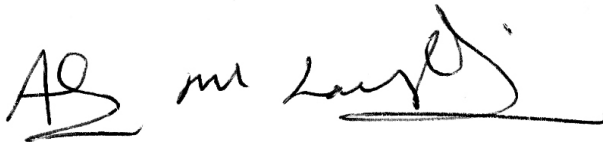
17th May, 2007

Dear Councillor,

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to attend the annual meeting of the County of Herefordshire District Council to be held on **FRIDAY, 25TH MAY, 2007** at The Assembly Hall, Shirehall, Hereford. at **11.30 a.m.** at which the business set out in the attached agenda is proposed to be transacted.

Please note that 30 car parking spaces will be reserved at the Shirehall and 10 car parking spaces at the Town Hall for elected Members.

Yours sincerely,



A. McLAUGHLIN
HEAD OF LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES



A G E N D A

COUNCIL

Date: **Friday, 25th May, 2007**

Time: **11.30 a.m.**

Place: **The Assembly Hall, Shirehall,
Hereford.**

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

For any further information please contact:

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**County of Herefordshire
District Council**

AGENDA

for the Meeting of the COUNCIL

To: All Members of the Council

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<p>Please note that under the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972, the outgoing Chairman, J.W. Edwards and the Vice-Chairman, Councillor J. Stone, continue in office until the election of the Chairman and the appointment of Vice-Chairman at the Annual Meeting of the Council.</p>	
1. CHAIRMAN To elect the Chairman of the Council.	
2. PRAYERS	
3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE To receive apologies for absence.	
4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST To receive any declarations of interest by Members in respect of items on this Agenda.	
5. VICE-CHAIRMAN To appoint the Vice-Chairman of the Council.	
6. MINUTES To approve and sign the Minutes of the meeting held on 27th April, 2007.	1 - 14
7. PERSONS ELECTED AS COUNCILLORS (a) To receive the report of the Returning Officer as to the persons elected on 3rd May, 2007 to serve as Councillors; and (b) To note the number of persons so elected who have made their declarations of acceptance of office.	15 - 18
8. POLITICAL COMPOSITION OF THE COUNCIL AND FORMATION OF POLITICAL GROUPS To receive a report from the Chief Executive setting out the notifications received under Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990.	19 - 22
9. APPOINTMENT OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL To appoint the Leader of the Council.	
10. APPOINTMENT TO OFFICES RESERVED TO COUNCIL, ALLOCATION OF SEATS TO POLITICAL GROUPS AND APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES AND OTHER BODIES To exercise those powers reserved to Council at its Annual Meeting: (a) To make appointments to the positions of Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of committees and other offices. (b) To establish the allocation of seats to political groups based on proportionality as defined by the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 giving effect also to Section 15(5) b of the Act which provides that where the majority of seats on an authority are held by one political group that group shall have a majority on all bodies to which appointments are made.	23 - 26

- (c) To agree arrangements for making the necessary adjustments to proportionality based on appointments to individual committees in order that proportionality can be applied across the Council as a whole.
- (d) To make arrangements for such appointments to committees and other bodies as may be necessary.

Please note that the Council may be asked under this item to approve alternative arrangements to strict political proportionality for appointments to Committees and other bodies in accordance with Regulation 20 of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990.

11. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

To receive the Chairman's announcements and petitions from members of the public.

12. NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDERS

To consider any Notices of Motion.

To give effect to any changes to the Constitution at the Annual Meeting of the Council it is necessary to suspend Standing Order 4.31. Notice is hereby given under Standing Order 4.32 of a motion to suspend Standing Orders which will have to be moved and seconded at the Annual Meeting.

13. DELEGATION OF LICENSING AUTHORITY FUNCTIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 154 - GAMBLING ACT 2005

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Council is asked to consider whether it wishes to delegate its function under Section 212 of the Gambling Act 2005.

14. STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 349 - GAMBLING ACT 2005

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Council is asked to consider the attached Statement of Principles under the Gambling Act 2005.

15. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Dates for Council meetings in the year 2007/08 are as follows:

- Friday 27 July 2007
- Friday 9 November 2007
- Friday 8 February 2008
- Friday 7 March 2008 (To set the budget and council tax)(Shirehall)
- Friday 16 May 2008 (Annual Council) (Shirehall)

All meetings will commence at 10.30 am and will be held in the Council Chamber, Brockington, 35 Hafod Road, Hereford unless advised otherwise.