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8th November, 2006

Dear Councillor,

To:

MEETING OF CABINET THURSDAY, 16TH NOVEMBER, 2006 AT 2.00 P.M. THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, BROCKINGTON, 35 HAFOD ROAD, HEREFORD (TBC)

### **AGENDA (06/10)**

HEREFORDSHIRE COUNCIL - NOTICE UNDER REGULATION 15 OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES (EXECUTIVE ARRANGEMENTS((ACCESS TO INFORMATION) REGULATIONS 2000 (AS AMENDED)

### 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. STRONG AND PROSPEROUS COMMUNITIES - THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT WHITE PAPER OCTOBER 2006

To note the Government's proposals in the Local Government White Paper, *Strong and prosperous communities*, and begin to consider their implications for the Council and how it may need to respond.

(Pages 1 - 16)



## 4. COMMUNITY FORUMS

To receive a report on the October 2006 round of Community Forum meetings. (Pages 17 - 36)

## 5. PERFORMANCE UPDATE FOLLOWING THE JOINT AREA REVIEW AND THE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT OF THE COUNCIL'S CHILDREN'S SERVICES

To advise Cabinet of the progress to date on performance and improvement. (Pages 37 - 80)

### 6. INTEGRATED PERFORMANCE REPORT

To report performance to the end of **September 2006** against the Annual Operating Plan 2006-07, together with performance against revenue and capital budgets and corporate risks, and remedial action to address areas of under-performance. The report also covers the progress being made against the Council's Overall Improvement Programme, which includes the Joint Area Review (JAR) Action Plan, the Adult Social Care Improvement Plan and the Herefordshire Connects programme. (*Pages 81 - 144*)

Yours sincerely,

N.M. PRINGLE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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