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5th April, 2007

Dear Councillor,

To:

MEETING OF CABINET THURSDAY, 12TH APRIL, 2007 AT 2.00 P.M.

: THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, BROCKINGTON, 35 HAFOD ROAD, HEREFORD

AGENDA (07/05)

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. PUBLIC SERVICE TRUST FOR HEREFORDSHIRE

To enable the Council to take forward the proposal for a Public Service Trust for Herefordshire. (Pages 1 - 2)

4. PROGRESS ON IMPROVEMENT IN CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SERVICES

To advise Cabinet of the position following the Government Office for the West Midlands (GOWM) Board meeting on 21st March, 2007 and for Cabinet to note and consider the next steps with GOWM. (Pages 3 - 4)

5. BRILLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

To advise Cabinet of the decision by the Governors and Parents of Brilley C E Primary School to request transfer of pupils to Almeley Primary School, and consider the future of the school. (Pages 5 - 8)



6. FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS FOR RIVERSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND SUTTON ST NICHOLAS PRIMARY SCHOOL

To inform Cabinet of the key decision taken by the Leader, Cabinet Member (Children and Young People) and Cabinet Member (Resources) on additional funding arrangement for the above two schools. (Pages 9 - 14)

7. FORWARD LOOKING ANNUAL EFFICIENCY STATEMENT 2007/08

To inform Cabinet of the Council's draft strategy for the 2007/08 Annual Efficiency process, to indicate progress to date on procurement issues and to provide an update on future prospects for the Government's efficiency agenda. (Pages 15 - 24)

8. RESERVES

To provide Cabinet with further information on the level of reserves held by the Council. (Pages 25 - 30)

9. LGA BRIEFINGS ON THE LYONS REPORT AND BUDGET

To inform Cabinet of the contents of Sir Michael Lyons' inquiry report and the implications for Local Government of the Chancellor's budget. (Pages 31 - 36)

10. HOMELESSNESS UPDATE

To update Cabinet on progress made in relation to homelessness prevention in Herefordshire. (Pages 37 - 40)

11. STRATEGIC MONITORING REPORT

To note the report of the Strategic Monitoring Committee to Council. (Pages 41 - 50)

12. HEREFORDSHIRE CONNECTS

To advise Cabinet of the results from the evaluation process for the three short-listed suppliers for the Herefordshire Connects Programme. This is the second round of the process and the object is to select a preferred supplier. (Pages 51 - 68)

Yours sincerely,

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Chairman of Strategic Monitoring Committee Vice-Chairman of Strategic Monitoring Committee

Chairmen of Scrutiny Committees

Group Leaders Directors

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