

Strategic Monitoring Committee

Date: **Monday, 18th February, 2008**

Time: **10.00 a.m.**

Place: **The Council Chamber, 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 Strategic Monitoring Committee

To: Councillor PJ Edwards (Chairman)
Councillor WLS Bowen (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors PA Andrews, WU Attfield, SPA Daniels, KG Grumbley, TM James, RI Matthews, SJ Robertson, RH Smith and JK Swinburne

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

GUIDANCE ON DECLARING PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS AT MEETINGS

The Council's Members' Code of Conduct requires Councillors to declare against an Agenda item(s) the nature of an interest and whether the interest is personal or prejudicial. Councillors have to decide first whether or not they have a personal interest in the matter under discussion. They will then have to decide whether that personal interest is also prejudicial.

A personal interest is an interest that affects the Councillor more than most other people in the area. People in the area include those who live, work or have property in the area of the Council. Councillors will also have a personal interest if their partner, relative or a close friend, or an organisation that they or the member works for, is affected more than other people in the area. If they do have a personal interest, they must declare it but can stay and take part and vote in the meeting.

Whether an interest is prejudicial is a matter of judgement for each Councillor. What Councillors have to do is ask themselves whether a member of the public – if he or she knew all the facts – would think that the Councillor's interest was so important that their decision would be affected by it. If a Councillor has a prejudicial interest then they must declare what that interest is and leave the meeting room.

3. MINUTES

To approve and sign the Minutes of the meetings held on 21st January, 2008 and 31st January, 2008.

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4.	SUGGESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON ISSUES FOR FUTURE SCRUTINY	
	To consider suggestions from members of the public on issues the Committee could scrutinise in the future.	
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	To seek the Strategic Monitoring Committee's views on the draft financial strategy for 2008 - 2011.	
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	To seek the Strategic Monitoring Committee's views on the draft capital programme for 2008/09.	
7.	REVIEW OF FINANCIAL PROCEDURE RULES AND CONTRACT PROCEDURE RULES	141 - 192
	To seek the Strategic Monitoring Committee's views on proposed revisions to the Council's Financial Procedure Rules and Contract Procedure Rules made in the light of the Section 151 Officer report and Crookall Review last year.	
8.	WORK PROGRAMME	193 - 196
	To consider the Committee's work programme.	