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Dear Councillor,

MEETING OF CABINET
THURSDAY, 10 JULY 2008 AT 2.00 PM
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, BROCKINGTON, 35 HAFOD ROAD, HEREFORD

AGENDA (08/03)

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

Notice is hereby given that the following reports contain key decisions. When the decisions have been made, Members of the relevant Scrutiny Committees will be sent a copy of the decision notices and given the opportunity to call-in the decisions.

Item No	Title	Portfolio Responsibility	Scrutiny Committee	Included in the Forward Plan Yes/No
4	Swimming Provision for Primary Schools in Hereford City	Children's Services	Children's Services	Yes
5	Primary Strategy for Change	Children's Services	Children's Services	Yes
6	Action Plan to Meet the Challenge of the Government's Post Office Closure Programme – Update	Economic Development & Community Services	Community Services	Yes
8	Strategic Housing Capital Programme	Environment &	Environment	Yes



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	2008/09	Strategic Housing & Social Care Adults & Health	& Adult Social Care & Strategic Housing	
10	Edgar Street Grid Development – Selection of Preferred Urban Village Strategic Partner	Economic Development & Community Services	Community Services	Yes

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 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 29 May and 12 June 2008. *(Pages 1 - 14)*

4. SWIMMING PROVISION FOR PRIMARY SCHOOLS IN HEREFORD CITY



To approve the closure of the St Martin's Swimming Pool with immediate effect and the subsequent capital investment in the Hereford Leisure Pool prior to the new academic year. *(Pages 15 - 28)*

5. PRIMARY STRATEGY FOR CHANGE

To approve a Strategy to shape capital investment in Primary Schools in Herefordshire over the next 14 years, and to determine priorities over the next 2 years. *(Pages 29 - 72)*

6. ACTION PLAN TO MEET THE CHALLENGE OF THE GOVERNMENT'S POST OFFICE CLOSURE PROGRAMME - UPDATE

To update the Cabinet on the Government's post office closure programme and the progress being made on an initiative to develop sustainable options for the delivery of post office services to rural communities in Herefordshire and to evaluate how Essex County Council's intervention may be applicable to a rural county. *(Pages 73 - 80)*

7. HEREFORDSHIRE HOMELESSNESS STRATEGY 2008/13

For Cabinet to endorse the Homelessness Strategy, including the associated Action Plan, prior to full publication in accordance with the requirements of the Department of Communities and Local Government (CLG). *(Pages 81 - 206)*

8. STRATEGIC HOUSING CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2008/9

To seek approval for the allocation of the Strategic Housing Capital Programme, which incorporates the Affordable Housing Development Programme and the Private Sector Housing Programme for 2008/09, and to inform Cabinet of external funding contributions, including National Affordable Housing Programme and Specified Capital Grant contributions. *(Pages 207 - 214)*

9. PROCUREMENT STRATEGY

To seek approval for the updated Procurement Strategy. *(Pages 215 - 246)*

10. EDGAR STREET GRID DEVELOPMENT - SELECTION OF PREFERRED URBAN VILLAGE STRATEGIC PARTNER

To approve the selection of the preferred strategic partner for the Edgar Street Grid Urban Village and authorise detailed negotiations with that supplier prior to consideration of a full Development Agreement. *(Pages 247 - 260)*

Yours sincerely,



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