

Environment Scrutiny Committee

Date: Monday, 24th November, 2008

Time: **9.30 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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AGENDA

for the Meeting of the Environment Scrutiny Committee

To: Councillor RI Matthews (Chairman)
Councillor KG Grumbley (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors CM Bartrum, WLS Bowen, JW Hope MBE, MAF Hubbard, TW Hunt, PM Morgan, A Seldon, NL Vaughan and PJ Watts

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence.

2. NAMED SUBSTITUTES (IF ANY)

To receive details any details of Members nominated to attend the meeting in place of a Member of the Committee.

3. 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.

4. MINUTES

To approve and sign the Minutes of the meeting held on 15 September 2008.

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5. 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.

6. CARBON MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE

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To update the committee on information requested at the September 2008 meeting of Environment Scrutiny. This includes:-

- Progress on carbon management and in particular progress in reducing emissions to meet the Council's Nottingham Declaration target of a 20% reduction in carbon emissions by 2020 (1.25% per year)
- Current position in relation to fleet management of Council owned vehicles
- Responsibilities for reading meters in council buildings
- Update on progress in relation to the Local Area Agreement target (NI186) to reduce per capita carbon emissions by 4.9% (13.1% including national measures) by 2010

7. REDUCING ENERGY CONSUMPTION - STREET LIGHTING

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To seek the views of Members on the options for reducing the energy consumed and carbon dioxide generated through street lighting.

8. SERVICE DELIVERY REVIEW - UPDATE

The Director of Environment will give an oral update on progress with the Service Delivery Review.

9. ON-STREET PARKING SCRUTINY REVIEW - UPDATE

The Chairman of the Review Group, Cllr MAF Hubbard, will give an oral overview of progress with the review.

10. CAPITAL BUDGET MONITORING

To advise Members on the progress of the 2008/09 Capital Programme for Environment Programme Area within the context of the Herefordshire Council Capital Programme. (Report to Follow)

Late Report - Capital Monitoring

The attached report and appendix was issued to Committee with the agenda.

11. REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING

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To advise members of the financial position for the budgets covered by Environment and Regeneration Programme Area budgets for the period to 30 September 2008.

12. ENVIRONMENT AND CULTURE AND REGENERATION DIRECTORATES: PERFOMANCE FOR THE SIX MONTH PERIOD TO SEPTEMBER 2008

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To update Members on the progress towards achievement of targets for 2008-09 relevant to the Environment Scrutiny Committee and contained within the Environment & Culture and Regeneration Directorates Plans.

13. COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME

To consider the Committee work programme.