

# AGENDA

## Environment Scrutiny Committee

Date: **Monday 22 March 2010**

---

Time: **9.30 am**

---

Place: **Council Chamber, Brockington, 35 Hafod Road,  
Hereford**

---

Notes: Please note the **time, date** and **venue** of the meeting.

For any further information please contact:

**Paul James, Democratic Services Officer**

Tel: 01432 260460

Email: [pjames@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:pjames@herefordshire.gov.uk)

---

If you would like help to understand this document, or would like it in another format or language, please call Paul James, Democratic Services Officer on 01432 260460 or e-mail [pjames@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:pjames@herefordshire.gov.uk) in advance of the meeting.

# **Agenda for the Meeting of the Environment Scrutiny Committee**

## **Membership**

<b>Chairman</b>	<b>Councillor RI Matthews</b>
<b>Vice-Chairman</b>	<b>Councillor PJ Watts</b>
	<b>Councillor CM Bartrum</b>
	<b>Councillor WLS Bowen</b>
	<b>Councillor DW Greenow</b>
	<b>Councillor JW Hope MBE</b>
	<b>Councillor MAF Hubbard</b>
	<b>Councillor TW Hunt</b>
	<b>Councillor PM Morgan</b>
	<b>Councillor A Seldon</b>
	<b>Councillor NL Vaughan</b>

## **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. A Councillor who has declared a prejudicial interest at a meeting may nevertheless be able to address that meeting, but only in circumstances where an ordinary member of the public would be also allowed to speak. In such circumstances, the Councillor concerned will have the same opportunity to address the meeting and on the same terms. However, a Councillor exercising their ability to speak in these circumstances must leave the meeting immediately after they have spoken.

## AGENDA

	Pages
<b>1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b>	
To receive apologies for absence.	
<b>2. NAMED SUBSTITUTES (IF ANY)</b>	
To receive details any details of Members nominated to attend the meeting in place of a Member of the Committee.	
<b>3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b>	
To receive any declarations of interest by Members in respect of items on the Agenda.	
<b>4. MINUTES</b>	1 - 12
To approve and sign the Minutes of the meeting held on 23 November 2009.	
<b>5. SUGGESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON ISSUES FOR FUTURE SCRUTINY</b>	
To consider suggestions from members of the public on issues the Committee could scrutinise in the future.	
<b>6. CARBON MANAGEMENT OVERVIEW</b>	13 - 18
To provide the Committee with an overview of carbon management performance and the Council's intended action to achieve its carbon reduction targets.	
<b>7. SUSTAINABILITY AND PROPERTY PROCUREMENT</b>	19 - 32
To update the Committee on the procedures in place to ensure that the Council incorporates sustainability within building contracts and to advise Members of the Display Energy Certificate performance of the Council's major operational buildings.	
<b>8. ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECT OF STAFF AND MEMBER TRAVEL TO WORK ARRANGEMENTS</b>	33 - 42
To consider an overview of the Herefordshire Council's Travel Plan; including an update on targets for travel mode shift, and looking into the future with Plough Lane accommodation.	
<b>9. WINTER DAMAGE TO THE COUNTY'S ROADS</b>	43 - 46
To inform the Committee of the impact of the recent severe winter weather on the highway network and outline the strategy that is being adopted to returning the County's roads to an acceptable standard over the coming year.	
<b>10. PROGRESS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF SCRUTINY REVIEW OF PLANNING SERVICE</b>	47 - 52
To update the Committee on progress on implementing the Scrutiny Review of the Planning Service.	

<b>11. PROGRESS ON ACTIONS RELATING TO THE HEREFORDSHIRE TRAVELLERS' POLICY</b>	53 - 56
To consider progress on the actions arising from the review of the Herefordshire Travellers' Policy.	
<b>12. PARK &amp; RIDE (NORTH) HEREFORD SCHEME</b>	57 - 64
To provide an update to the Committee regarding work to date on Park & Ride (North) Hereford scheme.	
<b>13. CAPITAL BUDGET MONITORING</b>	65 - 70
To advise the Committee on progress of the 2009/10 Environment Capital Programme within the overall context of the Council's Capital Programme.	
<b>14. REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING</b>	71 - 78
To advise the Committee of the financial position for the Environment budgets for the period to 31 January 2010.	
<b>15. ENVIRONMENT &amp; CULTURE AND REGENERATION DIRECTORATES: PERFORMANCE FOR THE NINE-MONTH PERIOD TO DECEMBER 2009</b>	79 - 90
To update Members on the progress towards achievement of targets for 2009-10 relevant to the Environment Scrutiny Committee and contained within the Environment & Culture and Regeneration Directorates' Plans.	
<b>16. COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME</b>	91 - 100
To consider the Committee work programme.	