

AGENDA

Herefordshire Schools Forum

Date:	Tuesday 23 February 2010
Time:	2.00 pm
Place:	Council Chamber, Brockington, 35 Hafod Road, Hereford HR1 1SH
Notes:	Please note the time, date and venue of the meeting. For any further information please contact:
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Agenda for the Meeting of the Herefordshire Schools Forum

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	Mr J A Chapman Mr P Burbidge Mrs S Catlow-Hawkins Mr N O'Neil	Anglican Church Roman Catholic Church Secondary Schools Headteacher (Community) Secondary Schools Deputy Headteacher (Community)	
	Mrs S Woodrow	Secondary Schools Headteacher (Community)	
	Vacancy	Secondary Headteachers	
	Mr S Pugh	Secondary Schools	
	Rev D Hyett	Primary Schools Headteacher (Voluntary Aided)	
	Mrs J Cecil	Primary Schools Headteacher (Voluntary Controlled)	
	Mr P Box	Primary Schools Headteacher (Foundation)	
	Vacancy	Primary Headteachers Small Schools	
	Ms T Kneale	Primary School Nursery Class	
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	Vacancy	Primary School Governor	
	Vacancy	Special School Governor	
	Mrs S Bailey	Special Schools Headteacher	
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	Mr J Godfrey	Trade Unions Representative Secondary Schools	
	Mr A Shaw	14-19 Representative 14-19 Representative	
	Mrs A Jackson	Early Years Representative	
	Mrs R Lloyd	Early Years Representative	
Non Voting	Councillor JA Hyde	Observer	

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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.

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1.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
	To receive apologies for absence.	
2.	NAMED SUBSTITUTES (IF ANY)	
	To receive any details of Members nominated to attend the meeting in place of a Member of the Forum.	
3.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	
	To receive any declarations of interest by Members in respect of items on the Agenda.	
4.	MINUTES	1 - 6
	To approve and sign the Minutes of the meeting held on 1 February 2010.	
5.	LATE ITEMS/ANY OTHER BUSINESS	
	To consider any issues raised as either a late item or any other business.	
6.	HARNESSING TECHNOLOGY GRANT: PERCENTAGE RETENTION BY LOCAL AUTHORITY TO PURCHASE EDUCATIONAL DIGITAL CONTENT AND HARDWARE FOR ALL SCHOOLS	7 - 16
	That Herefordshire Local Authority retains a proportion of the 2010/11 Harnessing Technology Grant (as permitted under the rules of the grant) for the purchase of digital content and specific hardware at substantial discounts and as part of strategic county-wide, properly supported initiatives for schools.	
7.	SCHOOL FUNDING 2010/11	17 - 26
	To recommend to the Cabinet member the schools budget for 2010/11.	
8.	SCHEME FOR FINANCING SCHOOLS	27 - 34
	To approve statutory changes to the Herefordshire Scheme for Financing Schools for 2010/11.	
9.	REPORT OF BUDGET WORKING GROUP - 22 JANUARY 2010	35 - 64
	To consider the recommendations of the Budget Working Group in agreeing a final budget for schools.	
10.	WORKPLAN	65 - 66
	To consider the Schools Forum Work Programme 2010/11.	