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Progress in response to recommendations made and issues requiring action raised by the Environment Scrutiny Committee.

Committee date: 22 March 2010

SUSTAINABILITY AND PROPERTY PROCUREMENT	
Recommendations	Response/Action
That the report be noted and a Member Briefing note be provided setting out how local contractors were being informed of the details needed when tendering for contracts	Requested Member Briefing note has been despatched with this agenda.

47. ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECT OF STAFF AND MEMBER TRAVEL TO WORK ARRANGEMENTS	
Recommendations	Response/Action
A demonstration of E-Motion electric bike be arranged for Members	The Integrated Transportation Team are co-ordinating this and a demonstration may be available during the "Change your World Week" (28 June to 2 nd July)
Members be informed by Briefing Note when the Councils new Travel Plan is in place	This wont be available until the planning application has been submitted - and may not be actually "in place" until the new build is complete. (Plough Lane)

Committee Date: 26 March 2010

PROGRESS REPORT ON COMMUNITY PROTECTION TEAM	
Recommendations	Response/Action
further consideration be given by the Director to amending the job title/ job description to reflect the closer working between Civil Enforcement Officers and the Community Protection Team	A revised Job description has been written and evaluated. Further work has to be undertaken on the practicalities of enabling this, not least the legal issues around Civil Enforcement Officers enforcing criminal offences.
the Assistant Director of Environment and Culture be urged to remind the West Mercia Police of their previous commitment to authorise Community Support Officers in issuing low level enforcement notices	The Acting Regulatory Services Manager (S. Hancock) has written to the Chief Constable on this matter – a response is awaited.

the Committee recommend that closer liaison be entered into with Town and Parish Councils in investigating whether they can further support the placement of litter bins thereby supporting the work being undertaken	The process is to ask Amey Herefordshire who are empowered to deal based on the merits of the request and the available resources. They need not come to HC for approval as such, but they do on occasion seek advice. This approach enables Amey Herefordshire to best 'balance' the available resources to achieve the overall objective of a cleaner county.
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Committee date: 19 April 2010

HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE STANDARDS	
Recommendations	Response/Action
That the report be noted and appreciating the pressures on the Highways Service the Cabinet Member (Highways and Transportation) be urged to make every effort to address the highway maintenance backlog situation in next year's budget.	The Director of Regeneration will raise this with the Cabinet Member.
The Committee requested that a briefing note be prepared updating on progress with Highway Maintenance	The full programme of highways works has been prepared with Amey Herefordshire and this is being circulated to all Members for information and inviting their views on the works that need to be included in the future programme. Progress is to programme, as such we are on track to achieve the performance standards reported to the Environment Scrutiny Committee.

STREET SCENE – CLEANLINESS AND FOOTWAY CONDITION	
Recommendations	Response/Action
the member briefing note requested at the 26 March 2010 meeting concerning the remit and powers of the Community Protection Team be forwarded electronically to all Parish Councils for information	Member Briefing note has been forwarded to Members and copied to Parish Councils for information.
in view of the Total Place initiative Council departments and partner organisations be urged to work even closer together to tackle environmental crime (litter, detritus, graffiti & fly posting)	The Director of Regeneration asked for this to be addressed by a short article in the next 'Services Update' – a draft article was forwarded to the Director on 6 May for approval by the Director.
parish councils be informed of the financial cost to the Herefordshire tax payer of environmental crime	Information included in briefing note (1 above)

<p>it is recommended that the Highway Service requests Public Relations to have a regular article in Herefordshire Matters highlighting the cost and implications of environmental crime in the County.</p>	<p>Articles have been prepared for Herefordshire Matters and regular space in this publication is being secured.</p>								
<p>Member briefing note requested providing a break down of the budget for Street Cleaning</p>	<p>The street Cleaning Budget for the County is as follows:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="715 421 1305 548"> <tr> <td>T7595</td> <td>1030</td> <td>Street Cleansing - High Town Janitor</td> <td>55,532</td> </tr> <tr> <td>T7595</td> <td>4553</td> <td>Street Cleansing - routine</td> <td>1,189,617</td> </tr> </table> <p>Amey Herefordshire are achieving the following performance standards (against NI195) for the County as a whole within the above operational budgets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Litter 5% • Detritus 9% • Graffiti 1% • Fly posting 1% 	T7595	1030	Street Cleansing - High Town Janitor	55,532	T7595	4553	Street Cleansing - routine	1,189,617
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REDUCING ENERGY CONSUMPTION – STREET LIGHTING

Recommendations	Response/Action
<p>that the report be noted and greater detail on how a reduction in street lighting energy consumption would contribute to the Council's overall Carbon Management reductions be reported as part of the Carbon Management report to June 2010 meeting</p>	<p>Detail on this will be provided as part of the Carbon Report to the next meeting</p>

WORK PROGRAMME

Recommendations	Response/Action
<p>the Chairman and Vice-Chairman consider moving a number of items listed for 7 June for consideration at an extra meeting during May/June</p>	<p>Now reflected in the committee work programme</p>
<p>the item 'Planning Committee Arrangement' be brought forward for consideration at the 13 July 2010 meeting;</p>	<p>Now reflected in the Committee work programme.</p>