

The Cabinet will meet at the **SHIRE HALL, WARWICK** on **THURSDAY, 23 NOVEMBER 2006** at **1.45 P.M.**

The agenda will be :

**1. General**

**(1) Apologies for absence.**

**(2) Members' Disclosures of Personal and Prejudicial Interests.**

Members are reminded that they should disclose the existence and nature of their personal interests at the commencement of the relevant item (or as soon as the interest becomes apparent). If that interest is a prejudicial interest the Member must withdraw from the room unless one of the exceptions applies.

Personal interests relating to any item on the agenda arising by virtue of the members serving as District/Borough councillors and as members of the Warwickshire Police Authority are declared below:

Councillor Alan Cockburn, Member of Warwick District Council.

Councillor Peter Fowler, Member of North Warwickshire Borough Council.

Councillor Colin Hayfield, Member of North Warwickshire Borough Council.

Councillor Richard Hobbs, Member of Stratford on Avon District Council and the Warwickshire Police Authority.

Councillor Jerry Roodhouse, Member of Rugby Borough Council.

Councillor Chris Saint, Member of Stratford on Avon District Council.

Councillor Izzi Seccombe, Member of Stratford on Avon District Council and the Warwickshire Police Authority.

Councillor Bob Stevens, Member of Stratford on Avon District Council.

**(3) Minutes of the meeting held on the 2 November 2006 [Notes Link](#) and Matters Arising.**

**(4) Requests for Discussion of En Bloc Items.**

**PART A - ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND DECISION (WHITE PAPERS)**

**2. Programme of Items for Future Consideration**

The report of the Strategic Director of Performance and Development.

The report contains details of all items programmed for consideration by the Cabinet up to the 1 February 2007, as taken from the Forward Planning System.

**Recommendation:**

That members note/ comment on the programme.

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**3. Delivering Performance Improvement in Adult Social Care [2006-2007]**

The Report of the Strategic Director of Adult, Health and Community Services .

The report sets out a response to the need for further performance improvement within social care that has been developed with support from the Commission for Social Care Inspection.

**Recommendation**

That Cabinet :

- (1) Endorse the approach to improvement; and,
- (2) Note the intention to submit a further report on progress made in June 2007; and,
- (3) Receive a report on the CSCI performance assessment for 2005/06 in due course.

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**4. Older People and Residential Care - Report of the Chair of the Adult and Community Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee**

The report of the Chair of the Adult and Community Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

This report sets out the outcomes and recommendations of the select committee into Older People and Residential Care. The report was considered by

the Adult and Community Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee at their meeting on 20 September 2006.

**Recommendations** of the Adult and Community Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee:

That the Cabinet endorses the recommendations of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee as detailed in the report.

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## **5. The Voluntary and Community Sector Initial Review**

The report of the Strategic Director of Adult, Health & Community Services.

This report outlines a process for undertaking an initial review of Voluntary and Community Sector agreements with an anticipated completion date of April 2007.

### **Recommendation:**

That the Cabinet agree the proposed process for 'initial' review and dealing with underperformance/under-spending in relation to services commissioned from the voluntary and community sector.

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## **6. Proposed Closure of the Peugeot Assembly Plant at Ryton-on-Dunsmore - Update**

The report of the Chair, Economic Development O & S Committee

Local member - Councillor Mrs. H Timms.

At its meeting on 10 October 2006 the Economic Development Overview and Scrutiny Committee considered a report which provided an update on the redundancies and potential closure of the Peugeot Plant at Ryton-on-Dunsmore. The Committee recommended Cabinet - (1) support Rugby Borough Council in retaining the use of the Ryton site for employment use (2) express gratitude to Peugeot Partnership for their actions supporting the workforce, and support them in seeking a legacy fund for the local community; and (3) press the Government

to reconsider the proposed Assisted Area map, retaining the Ryton Ward in the light of the closure announcement.

**Recommendations** of the Economic Development Overview and Scrutiny Committee:

That the Cabinet -

- (1) Supports Rugby Borough Council in retaining the use of the Ryton site for employment use;
- (2) Expresses gratitude to Peugeot Partnership for their actions supporting the workforce, and supports them in seeking a legacy fund for the local community;
- (3) Presses the Government to reconsider the proposed Assisted Area map, retaining the Ryton Ward in the light of the closure announcement.

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## **7. Draft Integrated Risk Management Plan (IRMP) for the Community Protection Directorate - Consultation**

The report of the Chair, Community Protection Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

The Community Protection Overview and Scrutiny Committee, at its meeting on 6 November, 2006, having considered the report of the Strategic Director of Community Protection and County Fire Officer, recommends to Cabinet that the Community Protection Integrated Risk Management Plan (IRMP) 2007/10 be approved as a draft for consultation in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Department for Communities and Local Government (Fire and Rescue Service National Framework 2006-08).

**Recommendations** of the Community Protection Overview and Scrutiny Committee:—

- (1) That the Cabinet approves the Community Protection Integrated Risk Management Plan (IRMP) 2007/10 as a draft for consultation in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Department for Communities and Local Government (Fire and Rescue Services National Framework 2006-08).

(2) That the Cabinet notes that the Community Protection Overview and Scrutiny Committee will be holding a special meeting to consider the draft consultation document on 5 February 2007.

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## **8. Corporate Parenting Policy, Strategy and Action Plan 2006-2009**

The report of the Strategic Director for Children, Young People and Families

The report describes the collective responsibilities that Warwickshire County Council and partner agencies have towards children and young people in care of the Local Authority. It is being presented at time when the profile of children in care has been raised by the recent launch of the Green Paper Care Matters: Transforming the Lives of Children and Young People in Care. The policy is about ensuring that children in care are secure and supported to achieve well and have full and fulfilled lives. The document sets out the key principles and responsibilities of agencies in working together for the benefit of children in care. It further outlines an ambitious Action Plan to progress services for looked after children.

### **Recommendation:**

That Cabinet consider the Corporate Parenting Policy, Strategy and Action Plan 2006-2009 and recommend its adoption by the County Council.

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## **9. Change to the Indicated Admission Number of Southam College**

The report of the Strategic Director for Children, Young People and Families.

Local member – Councillor John Appleton – Southam.

This paper seeks authorisation to undertake formal consultation on a proposal to change the admission number of Southam College.

**Recommendation:**

That Cabinet authorises the Strategic Director for Children, Young People and Families to consult stakeholders on proposals:

- (i) to increase the Planned Admission Number of Southam College, and
- (ii) to decide whether they wish to consult on a PAN of 210 or 221 pupils per year.

For further information please contact: Phil Astle, Assistant Head of Service – Service Planning. Tel: 01926 742166, e-mail: [philastle@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:philastle@warwickshire.gov.uk)

**10. Changes to Indicated Admission Numbers – Central Warwickshire**

The report of the Strategic Director for Children, Young People and Families.

Local members – Councillors Les Caborn and Jose Compton.

This paper informs Cabinet about current Admission Numbers in two schools and seeks authorisation for formal consultation to change those numbers.

**Recommendation:**

That Cabinet authorises the Strategic Director for Children, Young People and Families to consult stakeholders on proposals to:

- 1. increase the Admission Number of Budbrooke Primary School, from 40 to 45 pupils per year
- (2) increase the Admission Number of The Fercumbe C of E Primary School, from 15 to 17 pupils per year.

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**11. Changes to Primary School Priority Areas in North Rugby**

The report of the Strategic Director for Children, Young People and Families.

Local members – Councillors Katherine King, Philip Morris-Jones and John Wells.

This paper seeks authorisation to undertake formal consultation on proposals to change the priority areas of four primary schools in north Rugby.

**Recommendation:**

That Cabinet authorises the Strategic Director for Children, Young People and Families to consult stakeholders on proposals to change the priority areas of four primary schools in North Rugby.

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**12. Catholic School Provision in Rugby**

The report of the Strategic Director for Children, Young People and Families.

This report seeks a decision by Cabinet as to whether support should be given to the current proposals for Catholic school provision in Rugby.

**Recommendation:**

**Either**

That the Cabinet support the proposals to establish a federation of Catholic schools in Rugby and the proposal to close Bishop Wulstan School and establish a new 'fresh start' Catholic secondary school, subject to the agreement of the governors and the submission of a 'fresh start' proposal to the DfES.

**Or**

That the Cabinet do not support federation and 'fresh start' proposals and that a further report be brought to the Cabinet as a matter of urgency on options for Catholic secondary provision in Rugby.

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**13. World Class Stratford**

The report of the Strategic Director of Environment and Economy .

The report incorporates a copy of the report to the Stratford Area Committee meeting on 22nd November 2006 which outlines the results of the public consultation on the five concept designs for a new pedestrian and cycle bridge over the River Avon.

**Recommendations:**

(1) That Cabinet, having considered the contents of the reports recommends that full Council be asked to:-

(i) Approve Scheme B for further development, leading to the working up of a detailed design, followed by public consultation.

(ii) Request that issues of concern raised through the consultation process are given further consideration as part of working up a detailed design.

(iii) Agree that the project be added to the Capital Programme.

(2) That Council notes that Area Committee and Cabinet will receive further reports in the New Year prior to any decision being made about the submission of a planning application.

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## **PART B - ITEMS FOR EN BLOC DECISIONS**

### **14. Government Responses to Consultations on the Review of UK Assisted Areas and the Draft UK National Strategic Reference Framework for the 2007-2013 EU Structural Funds Programme**

The report of the Strategic Director for Environment and Economy.

Cabinet agreed a report on 4th May 2006 which set out Warwickshire County Council's approach to Government consultations on the new Assisted Areas map and European Union (EU) funding proposals for 2007-2013. Responses to two of the consultations have now been published. The new Assisted Areas map removes all of Warwickshire's coverage as expected, but includes some measures for areas not on the map. The National Strategic Reference Framework allocates £680 million (approximately £460 million) to the West Midlands as part of two new Structural Funds Programmes. This report summarises the Government responses and the main implications for Warwickshire.

#### **Recommendations:**

That Cabinet:-

(1) Notes publication of the final Assisted Area Map and Warwickshire's loss of all coverage.

(2) Welcomes a continuation by Advantage West Midlands (AWM) of the region-wide Selective Finance for Investment in England scheme for all Small



and Medium Sized Enterprises (SMEs) outside the Assisted Area but also asks the Government to recommend to AWM that particular encouragement and priority is given to applications from SMEs based in those parts of Warwickshire and other areas which are losing Assisted Area status.

(3) Notes progress on the new EU Structural Funds Programmes and supports the approach set out in paragraph 3.9 of the report.

(4) Requests a further report on the final shape of the new EU Structural Funds Programmes and opportunities for Warwickshire.

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## **15. Disability Equality Scheme and Action Plan**

The report of the Strategic Director of Performance & Development.

The Disability Discrimination Act 2005 has placed a statutory duty on public agencies to positively promote disability equality and to produce a Disability Equality Scheme.

### **Recommendations:**

(1) The Cabinet is asked to endorse and approve this initial version of the Disability Equality Scheme and Action Plan for implementation and publication.

(2) Cabinet notes that this version will be subject to further consultation with disabled people from December 2006 – February 2007.

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## **16. Funding of Black and Minority Ethnic Projects**

The report of the Strategic Director of Performance and Development.

This report sets out the proposed funding from the Race Equality Budget for Black and Minority Ethnic projects in Warwickshire.

### **Recommendation:**

That Cabinet endorse the proposed funding to Black and Minority Ethnic projects in Warwickshire.

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## **17. Any Other Items**

To consider any other items that the Chair decides are urgent.

## **PART C - EXEMPT ITEMS (PURPLE PAPERS)**

### **18. Reports Containing Confidential or Exempt Information**

To consider passing the following resolution:

'That members of the public be excluded from the meeting for the items mentioned below on the grounds that their presence would involve the disclosure of confidential or exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of the Local Government Act 1972'.

(NB. Copies of extracts describing exempt information are available in Warwickshire Libraries, the County Council Handbook and the Access to Information Register held in my office).

### **19. Exempt Minutes of the Meeting held on 2 November 2006 and Matters Arising.**

### **20. Redevelopment of North Leamington School - Progress and the Next Steps**

The report of the Strategic Director of Resources and Strategic Director for Children, Young People and Families.

Local member - Cllr Michael Doody

The Cabinet will consider a joint report which updates Members as to progress to date and recommends the next steps in the redevelopment of North Leamington School

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## **21. Development of HQ Accommodation, Warwick.**

Report of the Strategic Director of Resources

The Cabinet will consider a report about the progress made on exploring the options for the Shire Hall and proposed next steps.

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**Warwick**                      **Chief Executive**

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