



LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1972

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL will be held at the SHIRE HALL, WARWICK on TUESDAY 15 MAY, 2007 at 10.00 A.M.

AGENDA

1. Election of Chair

To elect a Chair for the ensuing municipal year. The Chair to make a declaration of acceptance of office.

2. Election of Vice-Chair

To elect a Vice-Chair for the ensuing municipal year. The Vice-Chair to make a declaration of acceptance of office.

3. General

(1) Apologies.

To receive any apologies for absence.

(2) Members' Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests.

Members are reminded that they should declare 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 arising by virtue of the members serving as district/borough councillors will be as listed on a separate paper issued as soon as possible after the district and borough elections on 3 May 2007.

(3) Minutes

To confirm the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting held on 20 March 2007 (copy enclosed).

(4) Chair's Announcements, Correspondence, Petitions

4. Presentation from Bryan Stoten, Chief Executive of NHS Warwickshire

Mr Bryan Stoten, Chief Executive of NHS Warwickshire, will give a short presentation.

5. Appointment of Leader and Deputy Leader of the Council and Appointment of Cabinet

A report of Strategic Director of Performance and Development is enclosed.

The following notice of motion has been received concerning the appointment of Cabinet:

Proposer: Councillor Jerry Roodhouse
Seconder: Councillor Sarah Boad

"That there be nine members of the Cabinet, and that it is made up of four members of the Conservative Group, three members of the Labour Group and two members of the Liberal Democrat Group."

6. Appointment to Committees, Other Council Bodies and External Organisations.

A report of the Strategic Director of Performance and Development is enclosed.

The arrangements previously agreed by Council for its committees altered the usual arrangements for the allocation of seats on member bodies in accordance with the political balance requirements under the Local Government and Housing Act 1989. The continuation of the arrangements is dependant on no one voting against them.

7. Warwickshire Public Service Board

The first meeting of the Warwickshire Public Service Board took place on 23 April 2007. The Leader of the Council will give a verbal report on progress.

8. Annual Report of Children, Young People and Families Cabinet portfolio holder and Schools Cabinet portfolio holder.

A joint report from Councillor Izzi Seccombe (Cabinet portfolio holder for Children, Young People and Families) and Councillor John Burton (Cabinet portfolio holder for Schools) is enclosed.

9. Annual Report of Children, Young People and Families Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Chair of Committee: Councillor Richard Grant.

The annual report of the Children, Young People and Families Overview and Scrutiny Committee has been circulated separately (covering report enclosed).

10 Overview and Scrutiny Core Programme

Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Coordinating Group: Councillor Ken Browne.

A report of the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Coordinating Group is enclosed. This seeks endorsement to a core programme for overview and scrutiny.

11. Corporate Business Plan

A joint report from the Chief Executive and the Strategic Director of Performance and Development is enclosed but the draft Corporate Business Plan is being circulated separately to members only (and is available to view on the Council's website).

The Plan will be considered by Cabinet on 10 May 2007 and their recommendation(s) will be circulated to all members in time for consideration at this Council meeting.

12 Medium Term Financial Plan

A report of the Strategic Director of Resources is enclosed. This is being considered by the Cabinet on 10 May and the recommendation from that meeting will be reported to Council.

13 Treasury Management Amendment

A report of the Strategic Director of Resources is enclosed. The Cabinet on 19 April agreed to recommend that Council approve the amendment.

14. Monitoring of Decisions under the Urgency and Call-In Procedure

A report from the Strategic Director of Performance and Development is enclosed.

15. Question Time (Standing Order 7)

Cabinet portfolio holders and Chairs of Overview and Scrutiny Committees and Area Committees will be invited to respond to any questions from members. A period of up to one hour is allocated for question time. Extension beyond this time is at the discretion of the Chair.

16 Audit and Standards Committee Annual Report 2006/2007

The Annual Report of the Audit and Standards Committee has been circulated separately (*A3 folded leaflet*). The Chairman of the Committee, John Bridgeman, will present the report.

17 New Model Code of Conduct

A report of the Strategic Director of Performance and Development is enclosed.

A seminar has been arranged for all Members in the afternoon to brief them on the changes to the code.

18. Any other items of urgent business

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

Members Club

Please note that the Members Club will meet at 12.00 a.m. or on the rising of the Council, whichever is later. All Councillors are Members and are requested to remain in the council chamber for this meeting.

Council Photograph

The Council photograph will take place following the meeting of the Members Club.

New Code of Conduct for Members

A seminar on the new code will be held at 2.15pm in the Council Chamber.

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May 2007

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