

Economic Development Overview and Scrutiny Committee

16 May 2006

Agenda

The Economic Development Overview and Scrutiny Committee will meet at the **SHIRE HALL, WARWICK** on **TUESDAY 16 MAY 2006 at 2:15 p.m.**

The agenda will be:-

1. General

- (1) **Appointment of Chair**
- (2) **Appointment of Vice Chair**
- (3) **Apologies for absence.**
- (4) **Members' Disclosure of Personal and Prejudicial Interests.**

Members 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 Member serving as a district/borough councillor are declared below:

Stratford-on Avon District Council - Councillor Peter Barnes

Warwick District Council – Councillors Michael Doody, Eithne Goode and Bernard Kirton

Nuneaton & Bedworth Borough Council - Councillor Pat Henry and John Ross

- (5) **Minutes of the meeting of the Economic Development Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 16 March 2006 (copy attached).**

2. Public Question Time

Up to 30 minutes of the meeting is available for members of the public to ask questions on any matters relevant to the business of the Economic Development Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

Questioners may ask 2 questions and can speak for up to three minutes each.

To be sure of receiving an answer to an appropriate question, please contact Jean Hardwick on 01926 412476 or e-mail jeanhardwick@warwickshire.gov.uk at least 15 minutes before the start of the meeting and ensure that Council staff are aware of the matter on which you wish to speak.

3. The Emerging Skills Agenda

Report of the Strategic Director of Environment and Economy.

This paper provides the background for a seminar, which will give an overview of the issues the economy will face over the next few years as far as skills and training are concerned. Elected Members, invited guests and stakeholders will be briefed about the changes being introduced and the Council's role in delivering niche services before being offered the opportunity to discuss the issues raised in the seminar.

Recommendation

- (1) That Members observations arising from the seminar be taken into account in drafting an Employment and Skills Strategy and the Economic Development and Enterprise theme of the Local Area Agreement.
- (2) That the Committee be given an opportunity annually to scrutinise the Council's role in the delivery of the skills development component of the Local Area Agreement.

For further information please contact David S. Williams, County Economic Development Officer, Environment and Economy Directorate. Tel: 01926 412401 e-mail davidswilliams@warwickshire.gov.uk or Helen Flanagan, Development Officer (Access to employment) Tel: 01926 412825 e-mail helenflanagan@warwickshire.gov.uk.

4. Provisional Items for Future Meetings and Forward Plan Items Relevant to the Work of this Committee

(a) Provisional Items for Future Meetings

A table setting out provisional items for future meetings is attached.

(b) Forward Plan items

Cabinet – 25 May 2006

Regional Spatial Strategy Phase 2 Review – CSW Sub-regional Advice to the Regional Planning Body. (E&E)

Nuneaton and Bedworth Masterplan – Consideration of Implementation Strategy (E&E)

Minerals and Waste Development Framework: Statement of Community Involvement (E&E)

Cabinet – 27 June 2006

Stonleigh Park –Centre of Rural Excellence Proposals Phase 1 Site Infrastructure Works

5. Any Other Items

Which the Chair decides is urgent.

JIM GRAHAM
Chief Executive

Shire Hall,
Warwick.

Overview and Scrutiny Committee Membership

Economic Development - Councillors Peter Barnes, Michael Doody, Anne Forwood (ViceChair), Eithne Goode, Pat Henry, Mick Jones (Chair), Richard Hyde, Bernard Kirton, Frank McCarney, Phillip Morris-Jones, John Ross and Ian Smith.

Cabinet Portfolio Holder: - Councillor Chris Saint, Portfolio Holder for Economic Development.

The reports referred to are available in large print if requested

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