Economic Development Overview and Scrutiny Committe

14 November 2006

Agenda

The Economic Development Overview and Scrutiny Committee will meet at the SHIRE HALL, WARWICK on TUESDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2006 at 2:15 p.m.

The agenda will be:-

1. General

- (1) Apologies for absence.
- (2) 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:

<u>Stratford-on Avon District Council</u> - Councillor Peter Barnes <u>Warwick District Council</u> - Councillors Michael Doody, Eithne Goode and Bernard Kirton

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

(3) Minutes of the meetings held on 10 October 2006 and matters arising.

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. Town Centres Update

Presentation by Sue Ashley, Regeneration Manager, who will update the Committee on the progress of town centre development across Warwickshire and Business Improvement District Scheme Applications (BIDS).

4. Environment and Economy Directorate – Half Year Performance Report.

Report of the Strategic Director for Environment and Economy.

This report presents the latest performance update with respect to promoting economic regeneration within Warwickshire.

Recommendation

That the Economic Development Overview and Scrutiny Committee is asked to:

- (a) Consider the performance report submitted by Environment and Economy Directorate Service for the half-year 2005/06.
- (b) Endorse any proposed remedial actions.
- (c) Request any additional information required.

For further information please contact Maureen Oakes, Service Improvement Officer, Environment and Economy Directorate Tel: 01926 412796 e-maureenoakes@warwickshire.gov.uk.

5. Corporate Business Plan Target Review

Report of the Strategic Director for Environment and Economy.

This report details the targets set by Environment and Economy Directorate within the Corporate Business Plan 2006/9 regarding Economy and Enterprise medium term priorities.

Recommendation

That the Economic Development Overview and Scrutiny Committee gives consideration to the targets within the Corporate Business Plan 2006/9 and relays its views on their appropriateness and any suggested improvement to Cabinet.

For further information please contact Maureen Oakes, Service Improvement Officer, Environment and Economy Directorate Tel: 01926 412796 e-maureenoakes@warwickshire.gov.uk.

6. 2007/08 to 2009/10 Spending Proposals of the Environment and Economy Directorate.

Report of the Strategic Director of Environment and Economy.

The report details the 2007/8 to 2009/10 revenue and capital spending proposals of the Environment and Economy Directorate and seeks the Committee's views on both the spending proposals and the funding options proposed.

Recommendation

The Committee comments on the 2007/8 to 2009/10 spending and consequential funding proposals identified by the Environment and Economy Directorate.

For further information please contact Liz Firmstone, Financial Services Manager, Tel: 01926 412534 e-mail lizfirmstone@warwickshire.gov.uk

7. 2006/07 Efficiency Savings Environment and Economy Directorate

Report of the Strategic Director of Environment and Economy Directorate.

This report outlines the progress the Environment and Economy Directorate has made to date in delivering the required efficiency savings in 2006/7 required as part of the 2006/7 budget.

Recommendation

The Committee is asked to note the progress made by the Environment and Economy Directorate in delivering the 2006/07 efficiency savings target.

For further information please contact Liz Firmstone, Financial Services Manager, Tel: 01926 412534 e-mail lizfirmstone@warwickshire.gov.uk

8. Future Work Programme and Forward Plan Items Relevant to the Work of this Committee.

(a) Provisional Items for Future Meeting

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

(b) Forward Plan

Cabinet - 12 October 2006

Minerals and Waste Development Framework: Minerals Strategy

Stoneleigh Park – Centre of Rural Excellence Proposals Phase 1 Site Infrastructure. (E&E)

Council - 13 December 2006

Reviewing the Benefits of the 2012 Olympics to Warwickshire

Council - 14 March 2007

Regeneration and Competitiveness 2006-2010

Council – 27 June 2007

Nuneaton and Bedworth Master Plan – Consideration of Implementation Strategy

9. Any other Business

Which the Chair decides is urgent.

JIM GRAHAM
Chief Executive

Shire Hall, Warwick.

Overview and Scrutiny Committee Membership

Economic Development - Councillors Peter Barnes, Ken Browne, Michael Doody, Anne Forwood (Vice Chair), Eithne Goode, Pat Henry, Mick Jones (Chair), Richard Hyde, Bernard Kirton, 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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