Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Agenda

8 November 2005

The Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee will be held at the **Shire Hall**, **Warwick** on **TUESDAY 8 NOVEMBER 2005 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.

(3) Minutes of the meetings of the Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 27 September and 18 October 2005.

2. Best Value Review of Traffic Management – Report on Progress

Report of the Director of Planning, Transport and Economic Strategy.

This report advises the Committee on progress regarding the actions in the Service Improvement Plan in connection with the Best Value Review of Traffic Management and proposes next steps to be taken to further progress the Plan. Further steps proposed include introducing a new policy for the Provision of Pedestrian Crossing and Pedestrian Phases at Traffic Signals and the seeking of powers for officers to determine Traffic Orders for waiting restrictions of purely local interest

Recommendation

That the Committee endorses the actions proposed in "Next Steps" in Appendix A of this report.

For further information please contact Jonathan Simkins, Group Manager – Traffic Projects. PTES, 01926 412938 e-mail jonathansimpkin@warwickshire.gov.uk.

3. Department of Planning, Transport and Economic Strategy Revenue and Capital Budget Proposals 2006/07 to 2008/09.

Report of the Director of Planning, Transport and Economic Strategy.

The report details the Revenue and Capital Budget proposals for the Department of Planning, Transport and Economic Strategy.

Recommendation

That: -

- (1) the Committee comments on the 2006/07 to 2008/09 revenue budget proposals and capital programme bids identified by the Department of Planning, Transport and Economic Strategy, together with the supplementary bids for 2005/06 capital expenditure.
- (2) Cabinet be recommended to endorse an addition to the 2005/2006 Capital Programme for Highways Maintenance.

For further information please contact John Robinson, Financial Services, PTES. Tel 01926 412091 e-mail johnrobinson@warwickshire.gov.uk.

4. Internal Review of Environmental Sustainability – Service Improvement Plan.

Joint report of the Chief Executive and Director of Planning Transport and Economic Strategy.

This high level plan brings together the improvements the Authority intends to make under the five key strategic headings supporting the corporate policy, with regards to sustaining the environment. It follows the work undertaken during the Internal Review of Environmental Sustainability and forms the work programme for the Environmental Sustainability Board.

Recommendation

That -

- 1. The status of the Corporate Environmental Management Objectives 2005/6 in **Appendix A** is endorsed.
- 2. The suggested amendments are made to the objectives to ensure engagement from all County Council Departments.

3. The remainder of the Environmental Sustainability Service Improvement Plan be integrated into the ISO14001 Environmental Management Process, and report annually to Cabinet.

For further information please contact Martin Stott, Deputy Director, PTES Tel 01926 412525 e-mail martinstott@warwickshire.gov.uk or David Carter, County Solicitor and Assistant Chief Executive Tel: 01926 412564.

5. 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

Cabinet

None

Council

None

6. Any Other Items

which the Chair decides are urgent.

Shire Hall, Warwick. JIM GRAHAM Chief Executive

Overview and Scrutiny Committee Membership

County Councillors:- George Atkinson, Ken Browne (Chair), Richard Chattaway (Vice Chair), Jose Compton, Gordon Collett, Eithne Goode, Katherine King, Nina Knapman, Joan Lea, Bryan Levy, Phillip Morris-Jones and Ray Sweet.

Cabinet Portfolio Holder:- Councillor Martin Heatley (Environment).

The reports referred to are available in large print if requested

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