

The Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee will meet at the **SHIRE HALL, WARWICK on TUESDAY 17 JANUARY 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.

### **(3) Minutes of the meetings held on 21 November, 6 and 19 December 2005 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](mailto: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. Presentation by the Environment Agency - Creating a Better Midlands**

Short presentation by Paul Quinn of the Environment Agency on Creating a Better Midlands – The Environment Agency's regional contribution to the 5 year Corporate Strategy for 2006-2011 (seeking Members comments).

#### **4. Final report following the Single Issue Meeting held to scrutinise the Management of the Highways Maintenance Contract**



Env Com report 17-01-06 v3 53kb.pdf

Report of the Strategic Director of Performance and Development.

This report outlines the recommendations made at the single issue meeting of the Environment Overview & Scrutiny Committee held on 21st November 2005 to scrutinise the management of the Highways Maintenance Contract.

##### **Recommendation**

The Environment Overview & Scrutiny Committee is recommended to:

- (1) adopt the observations in Section 2 of this report;
- (2) request a report within six months on the contract assessing progress on the matters included in the report submitted to the Committee on 21st November 2005;
- (3) request that it be consulted on improvement priorities for 2006/07 before they are determined through the contract mechanisms.

For further information please contact Gereint Stoneman, Corporate Review Officer, Corporate Review Team, Tel: 01926 412378  
[gereintstoneman@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:gereintstoneman@warwickshire.gov.uk)

#### **5. Highway Trees in Warwickshire: Recording of Condition and Proposed Future Programme.**



Highway Trees in Nuneaton and Bedworth 63kb.pdf

Report of the Strategic Director of Resources.

This report summarises progress to date on recording the condition of trees on the Council's land, and the proposed future programme.

##### **Recommendation**

That progress on recording the condition of trees for which the County Council has a responsibility be noted, and observations made on progress to date.

For further information please contact Ken Simons, County Forestry Officer Tel: 01926 412697 e-mail kensimons@warwickshire.gov.uk

## **6. Warwickshire Provisional Transport Plan 2005 Consultation**



LTP Plan 2005 1108kb.pdf

Report of the Strategic Director of Environment and Economy.

The County Council has a statutory responsibility to produce a Local Transport Plan (LTP). The LTP sets out the County's Transport Strategy, and provides the framework for how transport and accessibility will be improved across Warwickshire over the next five years. A public consultation has been undertaken on the Provisional LTP, which was submitted to the Department for Transport in July 2005. The Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee is invited to comment on the consultation responses and the proposed response of the County Council to the concerns and issues raised by consultees.

### **Recommendation**

That Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee is invited to comment on the consultation responses and the proposed response of the County Council to the concerns and issues raised by consultees.

For further information please contact Adrian Hart, Transport Planning. Tel: 01926 735667 e-mail adrianhart@warwickshire.gov.uk

## **7. Future Work Programme and Items Relevant to the Work of this Committee**

### **(a) Provisional Items for Future Meetings**

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

**(b) Forward Plan**

**Cabinet – 2 February 2006**

Coleshill Parkway Transport Interchange – Approval to Enter Partnership

**Cabinet – 9 March 2006**

Provision of Pedestrian Crossing and Pedestrian Phases at Traffic Signals.

Revenue Estimates 2006/07 Department of Environment and Economy

**Council – 21 February 2006**

Delegation of Powers for Determining Objections to Traffic Orders with a purely local interest

**8. Any Other Business**

Which the Chair decides is urgent.

**Additional Item (URGENT)**

**9. Leamington Spa Urban Mixed Priority Scheme (LUMP) with a bid for additional funding to complete the scheme in 2006/07**

**Funding Issues** relating to LUMP referred from Cabinet on the 12th January, 2006.

Cabinet Agenda Link [Notes Link](#) -- see item 5. **[Local Transport Plan Settlement for 2006-07 and Outline Capital Programme for Transport 2006-07 to 2008-09](#)**

Cabinet minute link [Notes Link](#)

**9. 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 paragraph 7 of the Local Government Act 1972'.

**10. Exempt Minutes of the meetings held on 21 November and 19 December 2005.**

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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