North Warwickshire Area Committee

1 February, 2006

Agenda

The North Warwickshire Area Committee will meet at Magistrates Court Building, Sheepy Road, Atherstone, CV9 1YD on **WEDNESDAY**, **1 FEBRUARY 2006 at 5.30 p.m.**

The agenda will be: -

1. General

- (1) Apologies for Absence
- (2) Members' Disclosure 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.

(3) Minutes of the Meeting held on the 16 November, 2005 and Matters Arising

2. Public Question Time

Part A Non-Executive Functions

None

Part B Executive Functions

3. Budget 2006/07

In accordance with the resolution of Cabinet at their meeting on the 8 December 2005, there will be a briefing followed by an opportunity for members of the public to ask questions.

4. Consultation and Appraisal of Proposed Reconfigeration of Coventry and Warwickshire Ambulance NHS Trust

Report of the Strategic Director of Performance and Development.

Malcolm Hazel, Chief Executive of Coventry & Warwickshire Ambulance NHS Trust has produced an appraisal on the proposed reconfiguration of the Ambulance Trusts in the West Midlands which is going through public consultation.

Recommendations

- 1. The committee to consider the benefits and drawbacks outlined in the appraisal document provided by Malcolm Hazel (Chief Executive, Coventry and Warwickshire Ambulance NHS Trust).
- 2. To make any comments which it wishes to feed into the formal consultation process.

For further information please contact Alwin McGibbon, Health Scrutiny Officer, Tel: 01926 412075 E-mail <u>alwinmcgibbon@warwickshire.gov.uk</u> or Tricia Morrison, Corporate Review Team Manager, Tel: 01926 736319 E-mail <u>triciamorrison@warwickshire.gov.uk</u>.

5. Draft Countryside Access and Rights of Way Improvement Plan for Warwickshire

Report of the Strategic Director of Environment and Economy.

Cabinet on 30th June 2005 authorised the then Director of Planning, Transport and Economic Strategy to prepare and publish a Draft Rights of Way Improvement Plan. This report is to advise Members on the responses already received to the ongoing consultation exercise and how it is proposed to amend the Plan.

Recommendation

That the North Warwickshire Area Committee considers the Draft Countryside Access and Rights of Way Improvement Plan; the results of the consultation exercise for the Plan; and, the proposed changes to the Plan, and provides comments to Cabinet for formal adoption of the Plan.

For further information please contact Martin Fry, Countryside Access Manager, Tel: 01926 413431 E-mail *martinfry@warwickshire.gov.uk*.

6. Pooley Country Park and Heritage Centre

Report of the Strategic Director of Environment and Economy.

To update Members on progress with the ongoing development of the site and facilities.

Recommendation

That Members continue to support the ongoing development of the Country Park and Heritage Centre.

For further information please contact Stuart Ikeringill, Group Manager, Tel: 01926 476949 E –mail <u>stuartikeringill@warwickshire.gov.uk</u>.

7. Village Traffic Plans Officer

Report of the Strategic Director of Environment and Economy.

To discuss the creation of a new officer post to develop Village Traffic Plans in North Warwickshire.

Recommendation

That subject to the availability of matching resources within Planning, Transport and Economic Strategy (PTES) for 2006/07, Area Committee agrees to joint fund (by 50%) a new 3 year fixed term post to develop Village Traffic Plans in North Warwickshire.

For further information please contact Lisa Jones, Transport Planner, Tel: 01926 765670 E-mail *lisajones@warwickshire.gov.uk*.

8. Community Development Worker – Social Inclusion Funding

Report of the Strategic Director of Performance and Development.

The report seeks continuing financial support for a further three years from April 2006 for the Community Development Worker funded by North Warwickshire Area Committee since April 2003.

Recommendations

That the Area Committee

1. Considers and comments on the 3 year Project Plan for the Community Development Worker.

2. Agrees to explore the continuation of the Community Development Worker post, subject to the development of a more comprehensive 3 year Project Plan and continuation of existing levels of Social Inclusion Funding.

For further information please contact Alison Williams, Area Manager North Warwickshire, Tel: 01827 721084 E-mail <u>alisonwilliams@warwickshire.gov.uk</u> or Alistair Rigby, Community Partnership Officer, Tel: 01827 715646 E-mail <u>alistairrigby@warwickshire.gov.uk</u>.

9. North Warwickshire Well-being Fund – New commissions & Proposal for Public Realm projects

Report of the Strategic Director of Performance and Development.

- The report details three new commissions for approval Wellbeing Fund 2005/06
 Community Life Theme Group: 'Increasing Community Involvement'
 'Cultural Diversity Event'
 'Community Activity Audit'
- Report seeks an amendment to 'Provision of Learning Events' from Education & Life Long Learning Theme Group – new project value of £14,000
- The report details two new commissions for approval Well-being Fund 2004/05
 Safer Communities Theme Group: 'Community Mural' 'Positive Diversionary Activities'
- The report also proposes criteria for supporting Public Realm projects from Well-being Fund 2004 /05 and seeks approval for supporting a scheme in No Mans Heath.

Recommendations

That members:

- 1. Approve new commissions to the Well-being Fund (2005/06) from Community Life Theme group of the North Warwickshire Community Partnership for 'Increasing Community Involvement'; 'Cultural Diversity Event'; 'Community Activity Audit'
- 2. Approve new commissions to the Well-being Fund (2004/05) from Safer Communities Theme Group for 'Community Mural' and 'Positive Diversionary Activities'.

- 3. Approve amendment to the commission to the Well-being Fund (2005/06) from Education & Life Long Learning Theme Group for 'Provision of Learning Events'.
- 4. Approve the proposal to allocate Wellbeing Funding (2004/05) to Public Realm initiatives and support the project in No Mans Heath.

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10. Provisional Items for Future Meetings

22 March 2006

Capital Programme for Integrated Transport 2006-07 Area Community Learning Plan Change to Indicated Admission Number (IAN) at Nathaniel Newton Infant School

Dates not yet set Review of Health and how the PCTs are liaising with Local Authorities Relocation of the ICT Learning Suite

11. Any Other Items

which the Chair considers urgent

JIM GRAHAM Chief Executive

Date of next meeting – Wednesday 22 March 2006, 6.00pm – venue to be confirmed.

Committee Membership

Councillors: Forwood, Fowler, Grant, Hayfield, Lea, Moss, Stanley, Sweet.

General Enquiries: Please contact Ann Mawdsley (Committee Administrator) on 01926 418079 or E-mail <u>annmawdsley@warwickshire.gov.uk</u>.

Enquiries about specific reports: **Please contact the officers named in the reports.**

Public Question Time

Up to half an hour of the meeting is available for members of the public to ask questions on any matter relating to the County Council's responsibilities.

Members of the public can speak for up to three minutes each.

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