

North Warwickshire Area Committee

21 March, 2007

Agenda

The North Warwickshire Area Committee will meet at Coleshill Town Hall, High Street, Coleshill, B46 3BG on **WEDNESDAY, 21 MARCH, 2007 at 6.00 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.

Personal interests relating to any item on the agenda arising by virtue of the members serving as North Warwickshire Borough Councillors are declared below:-

Councillor Peter Fowler
Councillor Colin Hayfield
Councillor Joan Lea
Councillor Brian Moss
Councillor Mick Stanley
Councillor Ray Sweet

~~(3)~~(3) Minutes of the Meeting held on the 24 January, 2007 and Matters Arising

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2. Public Question Time

Up to thirty minutes is allowed for the public to ask questions on any matter relevant to the business of the Committee. Members of the public may speak for up to three minutes. If you wish to submit a question please send it to Alison Williams, North Warwickshire Area Manager on (01827) 721084, E-mail alisonwilliams@warwickshire.gov.uk at least five working days before the meeting with your contact details. This will enable the Area Manager to advise you of the procedure at the meeting.

Part A Non-Executive Functions

None

Part B Executive Functions

3. Verbal Update from Young People

4. Gorsey Green Lane, Fillongley - Heavy Goods Vehicles

Report of the Strategic Director for Environment and Economy.

Requests have been received for an Amenity Weight Limit on Gorsey Green Lane. This report discusses the background to the requests and the County Council's policy on weight limits. It recommends that the request for a weight limit is not pursued.

Recommendation

That the request for an Amenity Weight Limit on Gorsey Green Lane is not pursued.

For further information please contact Roger Bennett, Team Leader, Strategic Projects, Traffic Projects Group, Tel: 01926 412648 E-mail rogerbennett@warwickshire.gov.uk.

5. Selection of a Local Scrutiny Area in North Warwickshire

Verbal update from Jane Pollard

6. Review of North Warwickshire Area Business Plan 2005/06

Report of the Strategic Director for Performance and Development

This report considers the County Council's performance and proposed actions on 'Improve the Environment', 'Reduce Crime and Improve the Safety of the

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Community' and 'Ensure Sound Governance of the County Council to provide Accessible, Responsive and Well-Managed Services'.

Recommendations

That the North Warwickshire Area Committee:

1. Notes the Performance Report for 2005-6 in respect of 'Improve the Environment', 'Reduce Crime and Improve the Safety of the Community' and 'Ensure Sound Governance of the County Council to provide Accessible, Responsive and Well-Managed Services'
2. Comment on the report as members see fit with special reference to issues which they might wish to have discussed in further detail.

For further information please contact Alison Williams, Area Manager North Warwickshire, Tel: 01827 721084 E-mail alisonwilliams@warwickshire.gov.uk.

7. Implications of the Childcare Act 2006 and development of Children's Centres

Report of the Strategic Director for Children, Young People and Families.

This paper outlines the duties imposed on Local Authorities by the Childcare Act 2006 and gives information on the developments within North Warwickshire to meet them.

Recommendation

That the Area Committee acknowledges the duties imposed on the Warwickshire County Council by the Childcare Act 2006 and supports the work in progress to meet them.

For further information please contact Diana Spragg, Area Manager for Early Years and Childcare North Warwickshire District, Tel: 01926 742216 E-mail dianaspragg@warwickshire.gov.uk.

8. Extended Services Update Report

Report of the Strategic Director for Children, Young People and Families.

This report summarises developments in the extended services strategy for Warwickshire and a specific update upon activity in North Warwickshire.

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Recommendation

That the Area Committee considers the progress to date of the Extended Services strategy in North Warwickshire and comments further as appropriate.

For further information please contact Ian Balmer, Extended Services Development Officer, Tel: 01926 742251 E-mail ianbalmer@warwickshire.gov.uk or Carol Bunyard, Extended Services Strategy Officer, Tel: 01926 742248 E-mail carolbunyard@warwickshire.gov.uk.

9. Capital Programme for Transport 2007-08

Report of the Strategic Director for Environment and Economy.

The report sets out the draft 2007-08 Capital Programme for Integrated Transport for the North Warwickshire area.

Recommendation

That Members:-

1. Support the Capital Programme for Integrated Transport for North Warwickshire Area given in Table 1.
2. Agree to defer the decision regarding allocation of the delegated budget to the schemes detailed in Table 3 until contact has been made with the relevant town and parish councils.
3. Agree that schemes listed in Table 4 be removed from the list of requests together with those schemes that have remained on the list for three years or more.

For further information please contact Liz Milne, Transport Engineer, Tel: 01926 735669 E-mail lizmilne@warwickshire.gov.uk.

10. Hams Lane, Lea Marston – Outcome of Public Consultation

Report of the Strategic Director for Environment and Economy.

Lea Marston Parish Council has approached the County Council to seek a closure of Hams Lane. This report details the results of a public consultation regarding this proposal and recommends against closure.

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Recommendation

That the Area Committee does not support the proposal of Lea Marston Parish Council to close Hams Lane.

For further information please contact Lee White, Project Manager – Major Public Transport Schemes, Tel: 01926 735671 E-mail leewhite@warwickshire.gov.uk.

11. Highway Maintenance Plan 2007/08 and Five Year List of Structural Maintenance Schemes

Report of the Strategic Director for Environment and Economy **to follow**.

The report provides information about highway maintenance work proposed in 2007/2008 and lists other sites where maintenance work will be required in the future.

Recommendation

Inform Cabinet of Members' views.

For further information please contact Roger Poole, Policy Engineer, Tel: 01926 738980 E-mail rogerpoole@warwickshire.gov.uk.

12. Speed Management Strategy

Report of the Strategic Director for Environment and Economy.

At its meeting on 18th January, Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee considered the draft report of a Speed Management Strategy for the County. After consideration, the Committee requested that the views of Area Committees should be invited on the draft report and Speed Management Strategy and related matters. This report invites such views.

Recommendation

That the comments made by the North Warwickshire Area Committee on the draft Speed Management Strategy be submitted to the Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

For further information please contact Malcolm Graham, Senior Engineer, Tel: 01926 412179 E-mail malcolmgraham@warwickshire.gov.uk.

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13. North Warwickshire Well-Being Fund 2006/07

Report of the Strategic Director for Performance and Development

To receive details of Well-Being Fund Commissions for decision.

Recommendations

That the Area Committee:

1. approve Well-Being Fund Commissions for:
 - i) Sloppy Slipper Project – £800
 - ii) Alcohol Awareness Training - £500 to support the training of 10 individuals from voluntary and community agencies only
 - iii) Common Purpose Your Turn Programme – £5,000
2. does not support the Well-Being Fund Commission for Gun Hill Allotments Association but allocates £1,000 to assist with the strategic development and management of Allotments across North Warwickshire, in particular the establishment of a North Warwickshire Allotment Consortium, as detailed in the North Warwickshire Borough Council Allotments Action Plan.

For further information please contact Alison Williams, Area Manager North Warwickshire, Tel: 01827 721084 E-mail

alisonwilliams@warwickshire.gov.uk or Alistair Rigby, Community Partnership Officer North Warwickshire, Tel: 01827 715646 E-mail alistorrigby@warwickshire.gov.uk.

14. North Warwickshire Social Inclusion Funds 2006/07

Report of the Strategic Director for Performance and Development

To receive details of a Social Inclusion project for decision and to note the progress of previous allocations.

Recommendations

That the Area Committee:

1. note the end of project report for the 'Building Respect' Event.
2. note the mid-term report for the 'Co-ordination, sharing and application of intelligence on nuisance and anti-social behaviour' project and continue to support the post of Nuisance Co-ordinator to the value of £13,000 in 2007/08

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3. approve the use of remaining Social Inclusion Funding for 2006/07 of £4,975 to establish a Small Grants Scheme to support the delivery of the Community Development Worker (North Warwickshire) Project.

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15. Provisional Items for Future Meetings

23 May 2007

Area Community Learning Partnership

Changes to schools' priority areas (Nathaniel Newton Infant School, Galley Common Primary School, Camp Hill Primary School and Michael Drayton Junior School)

16. Any Other Items

which the Chair considers urgent

JIM GRAHAM
Chief Executive

Date of next meeting – Wednesday 23 May 2007, 6.00pm – Fillongley Village Hall, Coventry Road, Fillongley CV7 8ET

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 annmawdsley@warwickshire.gov.uk.

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

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