

9 March 2011

Dear Councillor

ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Environment Committee will be held at the Council Offices, London Road, Saffron Walden on **Thursday 17 March** 2011 at 7.45pm or at the conclusion of the question and answer session whichever is the earlier.

Yours faithfully

JOHN MITCHELL

Chief Executive

Commencing at 7.30 pm, there will be an opportunity of up to 15 minutes for members of the public to ask questions and make statements, subject to having given two working days prior notice

A G E N D A PART I

- 1 Apologies for absence and declarations of interest.
- 2 Minutes of the meeting held on 18 January 2011 (attached).
- 3 Matters arising.
- 4 **Chairman's items.**

Questions under procedural rule 8.3 submitted by Councillor C M Dean

- i) Given that the first tenet of the Council's waste hierarchy is reduction, what plans does the Council have to further reduce the total waste arisings?
- ii) What proportion of the Council's housing stock has cavity and loft insulation, and what plans are there to make all council owned properties as energy efficient as possible?

5 **Lead Officer's Report**

This report updates the committee on matters that are not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

6 **North Essex Parking Partnership**

A verbal report will be made reporting on the meeting of the Joint Parking Partnership on 16 March 2011.

7 **Radio Broadband**

This report advises members about the workings of radio broadband and recommends that the Council works in partnership with Buzcom to deliver a radio broadband service.

8 **Minutes of the LDF Working Group.**

The minutes of the meeting held on 28 February 2011 are attached.

9 **Uttlesford Core Strategy – Review of Housing Requirements.**

This report presents the review of the scale of housing growth in Uttlesford and members are asked to approve the housing numbers as a basis for further consultation.

10 **Local Development Scheme.**

The committee is asked to approve the updated Local Development Scheme.

11 **West Essex – Local Investment Plan.**

The report advises of the development of a local investment plan for West Essex and asks the committee to recommend its adoption at Full Council.

12 **Air quality review 2011.**

This report presents the results of air quality monitoring around the District during 2010 and asks Members to designating an enlarged single AQMA for Saffron Walden.

13 **Highway Development Management Policies**

The Committee is asked to approve the new highway development management policies as council approved planning guidance.

14 **Transport Users Group**

This report asked members to consider the setting up of a Transport Users group.

15 **Appointment of a Contractor**

This report recommends that White Young Green be appointed to procure a contract on the Council's behalf with a materials recycling facility to buy recycled materials.

16 Any other items that the Chairman considers to be urgent.

To: - Councillors K R Artus, H J Asker, **S Barker**, C A Cant, R Chamberlain, J F Cheetham, J E Davey, C M Dean, C D Down, E J Godwin, E J Hicks, S J Howell, C C Smith, A M Wattebot and A C Yarwood.

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