18 June 2003

Dear Councillor

## **RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

A meeting of the Resources Committee will be held at the Council Offices, London Road, Saffron Walden on Thursday 26 June 2003 at 7.45 pm or at the conclusion of the question and answer session, whichever is the earlier.

NB Please note that at 7pm there will be a 30 minute session to enable Members to discuss the types of issues that are likely to be dealt with by this Committee.

Yours faithfully

**ELIZABETH FORBES** 

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 20 March 2003 (previously circulated).
- 3 Business arising.
- 4 Confirmation of Officers Actions:
  - (i) Increase in budget for repairs at Golds Nurseries for 2003/5 by further £50,000.
  - (ii) Expenditure of £1,300 appointment of Critical Friend in relation to Revenue Services Best Value Review.
  - (iii) Update of current job evaluation scheme by KPMG.

- 5 Items referred from other Committees
  - (i) Planning Delivery Grant reference from Environment and Transport Committee on 10 June 2003 (minute ET57 refers).
- 6 Government consultation on reforming home buying and selling.
- 7 Financial Policy Review 2004/5.
- 8 Housing Benefit and anti-social behaviour.
- 9 Council Tax proposed changes for second homes and long term empty homes.
- 10 Capital Programme Replacement Financial Management System.
- 11 Communications Staffing.
- 12 Interim Director Strategic Development.
- 13 Risk Management
- 14 Community Support Officers
- 15 Staffing Update
- Any other items that the Chairman considers to be urgent.
- To:- Councillor R P Chambers, R J Copping, A Dean, M L Foley, **M A Gayler**, R T Harris, A J Ketteridge, A R Row, S C Jones, M J Savage and P A Wilcock.

Lead Officer: John Dickson Committee Officer: Maggie Cox

## **MEETINGS AND THE PUBLIC**

Members of the public are welcome to attend any of the Council's Committee meetings and listen to the debate.

You also have the opportunity to ask questions or make statements before meetings of the Council and the Resources, Community and Leisure, Environment and Transport, Health and Housing and Scrutiny Committees. This 'question time' takes place at 7.30pm prior to the normal business of the meeting. You must give at least 2 working days notice if you intend to speak. Also, it would be helpful if you could let us know what the questions are, so that we can investigate the issue for you, if possible.

The agenda is split into 2 parts. Most of the business is dealt within Part I which is open to the public. Part II includes items which must be discussed in the absence of the press or public, as they might deal with information which is personal or sensitive for some other reason. You will be asked to leave the meeting before Part II items are discussed.

You are entitled to see any of the background papers that are listed at the end of each report.

If you want to inspect background papers or speak before a meeting please contact either Mick Purkiss on 01799 510430, Emily Anderson on 01799 510433, Maggie Cox on 01799 510369, Cathy Roberts on 01799 510434 or Peter Snow on 01799 510431 or by fax on 01799 510550