EPPING FOREST LOCAL COUNCILS' LIAISON COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF MEETING

Place:	Council Chamber, Civic Offices, High Street, Epping	Date:	Wednesday, 2nd November, 2005
Room:	Council Chamber	Time:	8.00 pm
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Members:

District Council Representatives:

Councillors B Sandler (Chairman), K Faulkner, Mrs A Haigh, R Morgan and Mrs J H Whitehouse

Local Council Representatives:

Clerks and Chairmen/Members of Parish and Town Councils

County Council Representatives:

Members for the following wards:

North Weald and Nazeing: Loughton Central: Ongar and Rural: Epping and Theydon Bois: Buckhurst Hill and Loughton South: Chigwell and Loughton Broadway: Waltham Abbey: Councillor A Jackson Councillor C Pond Councillor G McEwen Councillor T Spencer Councillor C Finn Councillor M Tomkins Councillor Mrs E Webster

A DEMONSTRATION OF THE COMMITTEE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM WILL BE GIVEN IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER STARTING AT 7.00pm.

THEREFORE, PLEASE NOTE THAT THE MEETING WILL COMMENCE AT 8.00pm.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. MINUTES

To confirm the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held on 15th June 2005 (previously circulated) and matters arising.

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3. ISSUES RAISED BY LOCAL COUNCILS (Pages 5 - 8)

To consider the issues raised in respect of planning by the Local Councils, as outlined in Appendix 1.

4. PARISH REVIEWS

Following a review of the May 2005 election, concern was raised on behalf of one small parish council about funding for unforeseen elections. This is a matter on which the District Council has made representations to the Electoral Commission, which is currently advising the Government on the funding of elections.

It was felt that it would be helpful at this meeting if local councils were advised of the opportunities available for changing the parish pattern of the District. In theory, larger parishes should make the financial planning for elections easier than in the small parish councils that operate in some parts of the District.

The District Council emphasises that this item is purely for information. The District Council has no policy of instigating such reviews, although on a few occasions in recent years, the issue has been raised.

A handout will be available at the meeting.

5. APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT/TOWN/PARISH CHARTER WORKING GROUP

To note the District Council appointments.

At the Council meeting held on 28 July 2005, EFDC appointed Councillors Morgan, Mrs Haigh and Sandler to be its' representatives on the District/Town and Parish Council Charter Review. They will sit with Town/Parish representatives Councillors Borton, Salter and Mrs Woods.

6. **REMUNERATION SCHEMES**

Local councils are reminded to bring forward proposals for introducing remuneration schemes or amending them so that the Independent Parish Remuneration Panel may consider them.

7. CODE OF CONDUCT AND PLANNING PROTOCOL TRAINING

Local Councils are asked to consider whether there is a demand for a further training course in these subjects.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

9. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for the following date:

1 March 2006