

## Scrutiny Task and Finish Panel Agenda



### **Town Centre and Car Parks Task and Finish Scrutiny Panel Tuesday, 28th November, 2006**

**Place:** Committee Room 2, Civic Offices, High Street, Epping

**Time:** 7.30 pm

**Democratic Services Officer:** Z Folley - Research and Democratic Services  
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**Members:**

Councillors M Colling (Chairman), Mrs R Gadsby (Vice-Chairman), K Angold-Stephens, Mrs P Brooks, J Demetriou, P Gode, P McMillan, Mrs P Richardson, D Stallan, M Woollard and K Wright

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- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
  - 2. SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS**
  - 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

(Head of Research and Democratic Services). To declare interests in any items on the agenda.

In considering whether to declare a personal or a prejudicial interest under the Code of Conduct, Overview & Scrutiny members are asked pay particular attention to paragraph 11 of the Code in addition to the more familiar requirements.

This requires the declaration of a personal and prejudicial interest in any matter before an OS Committee which relates to a decision of or action by another Committee or Sub Committee of the Council, a Joint Committee or Joint Sub Committee in which the Council is involved and of which the Councillor is also a member.

Paragraph 11 does not refer to Cabinet decisions or attendance at an OS meeting purely for the purpose of answering questions or providing information on such a matter.

- 4. NOTES OF THE LAST MEETING - 7 NOVEMBER 2006 (Pages 5 - 6)**

Attached.

**5. TERMS OF REFERENCE/WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 7 - 10)**

Attached.

**6. DEVELOPMENT OF EFDC OWNED CAR PARKS (Pages 11 - 54)**

To consider the attached reports.

Members are advised that the summary report is to follow.

The Principle Officer for Estates together with Ian Wickerson a representative of the consultancy company Bidwells, will be attending the meeting to present the information and facilitate the discussion.

**7. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS**

**Exclusion:** To consider whether, under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press should be excluded from the meeting for the items of business set out below on grounds that they will involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the following paragraph(s) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act (as amended) or are confidential under Section 100(A)(2):

<b>Agenda Item No</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Exempt Information Paragraph Number</b>
Nil	Nil	Nil

The Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006, which came into effect on 1 March 2006, requires the Council to consider whether maintaining the exemption listed above outweighs the potential public interest in disclosing the information. Any member who considers that this test should be applied to any currently exempted matter on this agenda should contact the proper officer at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

**Confidential Items Commencement:** Paragraph 9 of the Council Procedure Rules contained in the Constitution require:

- (1) All business of the Council requiring to be transacted in the presence of the press and public to be completed by 10.00 p.m. at the latest.
- (2) At the time appointed under (1) above, the Chairman shall permit the completion of debate on any item still under consideration, and at his or her discretion, any other remaining business whereupon the Council shall proceed to exclude the public and press.
- (3) Any public business remaining to be dealt with shall be deferred until after the completion of the private part of the meeting, including items submitted for report rather than decision.

**Background Papers:** Paragraph 8 of the Access to Information Procedure Rules of the Constitution define background papers as being documents relating to the subject matter of the report which in the Proper Officer's opinion:

- (a) disclose any facts or matters on which the report or an important part of the report is based; and
- (b) have been relied on to a material extent in preparing the report and does not include published works or those which disclose exempt or confidential information (as defined in Rule 10) and in respect of executive reports, the advice of any political advisor.

Inspection of background papers may be arranged by contacting the officer responsible for the item.

**8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

To agree a date for the next meeting.