# Law & Administration Department

Date: 30.09.04

# To: Members of the Scrutiny Commission

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Dear Councillor

There will be a meeting of the **SCRUTINY COMMISSION** in Committee Rooms 2 and 3, Council Offices, Hinckley on **THURSDAY**, 7<sup>th</sup> **OCTOBER 2004** at **6.30 p.m.** and your attendance is required.

The agenda for the meeting is set out overleaf.

Yours sincerely

G. B. Gethin Democratic Services Manager

# SCRUTINY COMMISSION - 7th OCTOBER 2004

# AGENDA

#### 1. APOLOGIES AND SUBSTITUTIONS

# RESOLVED 2. MINUTES

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> August 2004 attached marked 'SC19'.

# 3. <u>ADDITIONAL URGENT BUSINESS BY REASON OF SPECIAL</u> CIRCUMSTANCES

To be advised of any additional items of business which the Chairman decides by reason of special circumstances shall be taken as matters of urgency at this meeting.

#### 4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive verbally from members any disclosures which they are required to make in accordance with the Council's code of conduct or in pursuance of Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992. This is in addition to the need for such disclosure to be also given when the relevant matter is reached on the agenda.

# 5. QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS

To hear any questions and to receive any petitions in accordance with Council Procedure Rules 10 and 11.

# 6. INCREASING THE RATE OF RECYCLING OF HOUSEHOLD WASTE

Report of Head of Environmental Services attached marked 'SC20'.

# 7. COUNCIL TAX WITHIN LOWEST 25% IN ENGLAND

The Acting Head of Finance will respond verbally to issues raised at the last Commission meeting relating to:-

- The average Shire district budget requirement for Leicestershire districts
- The effect on data with Barwell likely to become a Parish
- Comparison with neighbouring districts which have town councils within their areas

# RESOLVED 8. FINANCE AND AUDIT SCRUTINY PANEL MEETING - 19<sup>th</sup> JULY

To give consideration to a recommendation from the above Scrutiny Panel that an approach be made to the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister with regard to relaxing Data Protection restrictions in the sharing of information between council tax/the recovery of non-domestic rates and benefits.

# RESOLVED 9. MINUTES OF SCRUTINY PANEL MEETINGS

(a) Performance - 29<sup>th</sup> July

Copy attached marked 'SC21'.

(b) Finance & Audit - 11<sup>th</sup> August

Copy attached marked 'SC22'.

(c) E-Government - 19<sup>th</sup> August

Copy attached marked 'SC23'.

(d) Performance - 9<sup>th</sup> September

Copy attached marked 'SC24'.

10. ANY OTHER ITEMS OF BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES HAVE TO BE DEALT WITH AS MATTERS OF URGENCY

To: All Members of the Scrutiny Commission with a copy to all other Members of the Council.

NOTE: AGENDA ITEMS AGAINST WHICH THE WORD "RESOLVED" APPEARS ARE MATTERS WHICH ARE DELEGATED TO THE COMMISSION FOR A DECISION. OTHER MATTERS ON THIS AGENDA WILL BE THE SUBJECT OF RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL.