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Date: 23.12.04

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**, 6th **JANUARY 2005** at **6.30 p.m.** and your attendance is required.

The agenda for the meeting is set out overleaf.

Yours sincerely

Richard M. Tobin Director of Resources

SCRUTINY COMMISSION - 6th JANUARY 2005

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES AND SUBSTITUTIONS

RESOLVED 2. MINUTES

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 18th November 2004 attached marked 'SC33'.

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. <u>IMPROVED ACCESS TO AND INCREASED PARTICIPATION IN</u> CULTURAL, SPORTING, LEISURE AND TOURISM ACTIVITIES

Report of Acting Head of Planning & Leisure attached marked 'SC34'.

7. FURTHER DEVELOPING AND ENHANCING SCRUTINY SUPPORT

Report of Acting Chief Executive attached marked 'SC35'.

8. REVIEW OF CAR PARK FEES

At the request of Mr. Bill, and following decisions taken by Cabinet on 3rd November 2004, Members are requested to give consideration to:-

- (i) the increasing tendency of shoppers and workers to avoid paying in car parks and parking in surrounding streets;
- (ii) the unresolved question of enabling town centre residents to park somewhere close to where they live, in competition with these shoppers and workers;
- (iii) whether or not residents are going to have to pay to park near to their homes if and when charges are being brought in for on-street parking; and
- (iv) the need to win back and retain shoppers who will now be able to take advantage of the massive investment going into the shopping centres at Nuneaton, The Shires and Fosse Park.

Report of Head of Environmental Services attached marked 'SC36'.

9. CABINET FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS JANUARY - APRIL 2005

Members are requested to identify linkage with the Scrutiny Commission work programme.

- (a) Information about key decisions and the Forward Plan attached marked 'SC37'.
- (b) Forward Plan of key decisions attached marked 'SC38'.

10. MINUTES OF SELECT COMMITTEE/SCRUTINY PANEL MEETINGS

- (a) <u>Finance and Audit Services 25th November 2004</u>
 Copy attached marked 'SC39'.
- (b) Housing Stock Options Appraisal 9th December 2004Copy attached marked 'SC40'.

11. FUTURE SCRUTINY COMMISSION MEETINGS

Members are requested to give consideration to the re-scheduling of the next two Commission meetings as follows:-

Instead of 31st March 2005 - 17th March Instead of 5th May 2005 - 21st April

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

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