



Walsall Council

Neighbourhoods Scrutiny and Performance Panel

Meeting to be held on **THURSDAY 4 SEPTEMBER 2008, 6.00PM**

Your attendance is requested at the above meeting, which will be held at the Council house, Walsall. A list of the items of business to be considered at the meeting, together with any supporting papers is enclosed. Please bring the papers with you to the meeting.

MEMBERSHIP:

Councillor Towe (Chair)
Councillor Creaney (Vice Chair)
Councillor Beeley
Councillor Bott
Councillor R. Martin
Councillor Mushtaq
Councillor J. Phillips
Councillor D. Pitt
Councillor Woodruff

Portfolio Holder:

Councillor Harrison – Leisure and Culture
Councillor Perry – Communities & Partnerships
Councillor Walker – Environment
Councillor Harris – Transport
Councillor Andrew – Deputy Leader

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Agendas and reports are available for inspection from the Council's Scrutiny Team at the Council House, Walsall (Telephone 01922 653317) or on our website www.walsall.gov.uk.

Some items are discussed in private because of their confidential nature, and reports on these are not available for the public. A guide to the types of information which are available to the public can also be found on our website or at the Civic Centre.

ITEMS FOR BUSINESS

1.	Apologies To receive apologies for absence from Members of the Panel.	
2.	Substitutions To receive notice of any substitutions for a Member of the Panel for the duration of the meeting.	
3.	Declarations of interest and party whip To receive declarations of interest or the party whip from Members in respect of items on the agenda.	
4.	Minutes To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting that took place on 29 July 2008.	<u>Enclosed</u> 3 - 10
5.	Development Opportunities To consider the available training opportunities for Members. a) <i>Financing the Future of Local Government</i> b) <i>Building Successful and Responsive Overview and Scrutiny</i> Please contact Marie Davies on 01922 655669 if you are interested in attending either of the above courses.	<u>Enclosed</u> 11 - 16
6.	Forward Plan To consider the Forward Plan of Key Decisions that was issued on 8 August 2008.	<u>Enclosed</u> 17 - 31
7.	Community Cohesion Strategy To consider the outcome of the recent scrutiny workshop on the Strategy and make recommendations to Cabinet/Council as appropriate.	<u>Enclosed</u> 32 - 70
8.	Fly Tipping in Walsall	<u>To Follow</u>
9.	Budget Setting 2009/10 - 2011/12 To consider the resource planning document for the Neighbourhoods Directorate which includes details on service objectives, priorities and finance.	<u>Enclosed</u> 71 - 75
10.	Highways Repair and Maintenance Partnership To consider the selection of a contractor to deliver a highways repair and maintenance service for the Council for a period of up to 8 years.	<u>Verbal</u>
11.	Anti-Social Behaviour Working Group To receive an update on progress so far and planned next steps for the Anti-Social Behaviour Working Group.	<u>Enclosed</u>
12.	Date of next meeting To note that the date of the next meeting is 6.00pm on Thursday 16 October 2008.	