Agenda

Economy and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Panel

Monday, 10 October 2016, 10.00 am County Hall, Worcester

All County Councillors are invited to attend and participate

This document can be made available in other formats (large print, audio tape, computer disk and Braille) on request from Democratic Services on telephone number 01905 728713 or by emailing democraticservices@worcestershire.gov.uk

If you can not understand the contents of this document and do not have access to anyone who can translate it for you, please contact 01905 765765 for help.

বাংলা। আপনি যদি এই দলিলের বিষয়বন্ধু বুরতে না পারেন এবং আপনার জন্য অনুবাদ করার মত পরিচিত কেউ না থাকলে,অনুগ্রহ করে সাধ্যয্যের জন্য 01905 765765 নম্বরে যোগাযোগ করুন। (Bengali)

廣東話。如果您對本文檔內容有任何不解之處並且沒有人能夠對此問題做出解釋,請撥打 01905 765765 尋求幫助。(Cantonese)

普通话。如果您对本文件内容有任何不解之处并且没有人能够对此问题做出解释,请拨打 01905 765765 寻求帮助。(Mandarin)

Polski eżeli nie rozumieją Państwo treści tego dokumentu i nie znają nikogo, kto mógłby go dla Państwa przetłumaczyć, proszę zadzwonić pod numer 01905 765765 w celu uzyskania pomocy. (Polish)

Português. Se não conseguir compreender o conteúdo deste documento e não conhecer ninguém que lho possa traduzir, contacte o 01905 765765 para obter assistência. (Portuguese)

Español. Si no comprende el contenido de este documento ni conoce a nadie que pueda traducírselo, puede solicitar ayuda llamando al teléfono 01905 765765. (Spanish)

Türkçe. Bu dokümanın içeriğini anlayamazsanız veya dokümanı sizin için tercüme edebilecek birisine ulaşamıyorsanız, lütfen yardım için 01905 765765 numaralı telefonu arayınız. (Turkish)

اردو. اگر آپ اس دستاویز کی مشمو لات کو سمچینے سے قاصر ہیں اور کسی ایسے شخص تک آپ کی رسانی نہیں ہے جو آپ کے لئے اس کا نترجمہ کرسکے نو، برراہ کرم مدد کے لئے کئے کا 76576 7050 ور رابطہ کریں۔ (Urdu)

کور دی سنر رانی. ندگسر ناتوانی تنیدگدی له نارهر زکی نم بهلگدیه و دهستت به هیچ کس ناگات که وجیبگیزیتموه بزت، تکابه تطغیز بکه بنز ژمارهی 765765 09105 و دارای ړینیزینی بکه. (Kurdish)

ਪੰਜਾਬੀ। ਜੇ ਤੁਸੀਂ ਇਸ ਦਸਤਾਵੇਜ਼ ਦਾ ਮਜ਼ਮੂਨ ਸਮਝ ਨਹੀਂ ਸਕਦੇ ਅਤੇ ਕਿਸੇ ਅਜਿਹੇ ਵਿਅਕਤੀ ਤੱਕ ਪਹੁੰਚ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੈ, ਜੋ ਇਸਦਾ ਤੁਹਾਡੇ ਲਈ ਅਨੁਵਾਦ ਕਰ ਸਕੇ, ਤਾਂ ਕਿਰਪਾ ਕਰਕੇ ਮਦਦ ਲਈ 01905 765765 'ਤੇ ਫ਼ੋਨ ਕਰੋ। *(Punjabi)*



DISCLOSING INTERESTS

There are now 2 types of interests: 'Disclosable pecuniary interests' and 'other disclosable interests'

WHAT IS A 'DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST' (DPI)?

- Any **employment**, office, trade or vocation carried on for profit or gain
- **Sponsorship** by a 3rd party of your member or election expenses
- Any **contract** for goods, services or works between the Council and you, a firm where you are a partner/director, or company in which you hold shares
- Interests in **land** in Worcestershire (including licence to occupy for a month or longer)
- **Shares** etc (with either a total nominal value above £25,000 or 1% of the total issued share capital) in companies with a place of business or land in Worcestershire.

NB Your DPIs include the interests of your spouse/partner as well as you

WHAT MUST I DO WITH A DPI?

- Register it within 28 days and
- **Declare** it where you have a DPI in a matter at a particular meeting
 - you must not participate and you must withdraw.

NB It is a criminal offence to participate in matters in which you have a DPI

WHAT ABOUT 'OTHER DISCLOSABLE INTERESTS'?

- No need to register them but
- You must declare them at a particular meeting where:
 You/your family/person or body with whom you are associated have
 a pecuniary interest in or close connection with the matter under discussion.

WHAT ABOUT MEMBERSHIP OF ANOTHER AUTHORITY OR PUBLIC BODY?

You will not normally even need to declare this as an interest. The only exception is where the conflict of interest is so significant it is seen as likely to prejudice your judgement of the public interest.

DO I HAVE TO WITHDRAW IF I HAVE A DISCLOSABLE INTEREST WHICH ISN'T A DPI?

Not normally. You must withdraw only if it:

- affects your pecuniary interests OR relates to a planning or regulatory matter
- AND it is seen as likely to prejudice your judgement of the public interest.

DON'T FORGET

- If you have a disclosable interest at a meeting you must disclose both its existence and nature – 'as noted/recorded' is insufficient
- Declarations must relate to specific business on the agenda
 - General scattergun declarations are not needed and achieve little
- Breaches of most of the **DPI provisions** are now **criminal offences** which may be referred to the police which can on conviction by a court lead to fines up to £5,000 and disgualification up to 5 years
- Formal dispensation in respect of interests can be sought in appropriate cases.



Economy and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Panel Monday, 10 October 2016, 10.00 am,

Membership

Councillors:

Mr P A Tuthill (Chairman), Mr G J Vickery (Vice Chairman), Mr A T Amos, Mr A A J Adams, Ms P Agar, Mr W P Gretton, Mr M E Jenkins, Mr T A Muir and Mr J W R Thomas

Agenda

7 190 110101		
Item No	Subject	Page No
1	Apologies and Welcome	
2	Declarations of Interest and of any Party Whip	
3	Public Participation Members of the public wishing to take part should notify the Head of Legal and Democratic Services in writing or by email indicating the nature and content of their proposed participation no later than 9.00am on the working day before the meeting (in this case 7 October 2016). Enquiries can be made through the telephone number/email address below.	
4	Confirmation of the Minutes of the previous meeting Previously circulated.	
5	Superfast Broadband Update	1 - 6

Agenda produced and published by the Head of Legal and Democratic Services, County Hall, Spetchley Road, Worcester WR5 2NP. For general enquiries: 01905 763763 Worcestershire Hub (01905) 765765 Email: worcestershirehub@worcestershire.gov.uk

To obtain further information or hard copies of this agenda, please contact Emma James/Jo Weston telephone:Worcester(01905) 844964,email: scrutiny@worcestershire.gov.uk

All the above reports and supporting information can be accessed via the Council's website at http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20013/councillors and committees

Date of Issue: Thursday, 29 September 2016