

Joint Staff Employer Forum

Chair: Councillor Ward
Executive Councillor for Customer Services & Resources:
Rod Cantrill



To: Councillors Bradnack, Downham, C Rosenstiel, Shah, Smart (Vice Chair), Ward (Chair)
Alternate: Blackhurst
Unison (Liz Brennan), GMB (Kevin Roberts).

Despatched and placed on deposit on Tuesday 13 March 2007.

Date: Tuesday 20 March 2007
Time: 5.00 pm
Place: Committee Room 1
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Agenda

1. **MINUTES**

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 11 January 2007 as a correct record.

2. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

Members are requested to contact the Head of Human Resources or Committee Manager prior to the meeting with any issue they wish to raise.

3. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

4. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members are asked to declare at this stage any interests which they may have in any of the following items on the agenda. If any member is unsure whether or not they should declare an interest on a particular matter, they are requested to seek advice from the Head of Legal & Democratic Services before the meeting.

5. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME** – see below for detail of the scheme and other public information.
6. **OFFICE ACCOMODATION STRATEGY** (Officer contact: Jackie Foglietta, Head of Human Resources, tel. 01223 458101)

The Strategy was approved by the Executive Councillor for Customer Services and Resources on 16 January 2007. It is attached for the information of the Forum. Forum members may wish to note particularly paras 2.2.4 - 2.2.6, about new ways of working, and section 3, which deals with improvements to accommodation and facilities for staff. This is backed up by £25,000 in the Capital Plan (approved at Council on 22 February) in each of 2008/9, 2009/10 and 2010/11 for improvements to administrative buildings. It is intended that the Strategy will be reviewed annually.

7. **GREEN TRAVEL** (Officer contact: Jackie Foglietta, Head of Human Resources, tel. 01223 458101) (suggested by Cllr Bradnack) – Report to follow.
8. **THE COUNCIL'S EQUALITY DUTY** – including Employer's Duty (suggested by Cllr Downham)
9. **CUSTOMER ACCESS STRATEGY NEGOTIATIONS** – oral update by Jackie Foglietta (suggested by Cllrs Smart and Cantrill)

Information for the public

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