

## **Dave Shilton**

### **Chairman of the Council**

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Notice is hereby given that an ordinary meeting of the Warwick District Council will be held at the Town Hall, Royal Leamington Spa on Wednesday, 18 January 2006 at 6.00 pm.

#### **Emergency Procedure**

At the commencement of the meeting, the Chairman will announce the emergency procedure for the Town Hall.

#### **Declarations of Interest**

Declarations should be entered on the form to be circulated with the attendance sheet. However, the existence and nature of any interest that subsequently becomes apparent during the course of the meeting must be disclosed immediately. In the event of an interest being prejudicial, members are reminded that they must withdraw from the room or chamber whenever it becomes apparent that the matter is being considered, unless a dispensation has been obtained from Standards Committee. **If members are unsure about whether or not they have an interest, or about its nature, they are strongly advised to seek advice from officers prior to the meeting.**

#### **Agenda**

1. **Apologies for Absence**

2. **Minutes**

To confirm the minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 30 November 2005 as set out on pages 532 to 536.

3. **Communication and Announcements**

4. **Public Submissions**

To receive any submissions from members of the public.

5. **Memorials and Petitions**

6. **Questions Pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 7(2)**

(A) From Councillor M Coker to Councillor B Crowther, Leader of the Council:

“Can the Leader of the Council please inform me now that the lease of Marlborough House has expired as to the total amount that has been expended in respect of rent, maintenance, council tax, legal fees, dilapidations and other expenditure on this property since it was vacated by the Council officers and the amount that could have been saved if appropriate notice had been given terminating the tenancy at the earlier date as provided for in the lease.”

(B) From Councillor M Coker to Councillor B Crowther, Leader of the Council:

“Can the leader of the Council inform me of the amount expended on the church site in the Cultural Quarter in respect of rent, council tax and repairs over the period of the current tenancy and the length of the tenancy and the arrangements for review of the rent?”

7. **Reports of Committees**

To receive and consider the reports of the following Committees:-

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Pages</u>
Regulatory Committee	6 December 2005	550 - 553
Audit and Resources Overview & Scrutiny Committee	6 December 2005	554 - 557
Executive Overview & Scrutiny Committee	6 December 2005	558 - 562
Culture & Social Policy Committee	7 December 2005	563 - 566
Environment & Economic Policy Committee	7 December 2005	567 - 570
Executive	12 December 2005	571 - 592
Employment Committee	19 December 2005	617 - 621
Standards Committee	20 December 2005	622 - 623
Regulatory Committee	4 January 2006	624 - 629
Planning Committee	23 November 2005	537 - 546
Planning Committee	5 December 2005	547 - 549

## 8. Notices of Motion

(A) Councillor B Gifford to move:

"This Council notes that the Home Secretary is currently attempting to push an ID Cards Bill through Parliament. This Bill will have an effect upon all of the people of Warwick District.

This Council believes:

- (1) That the disadvantages of such a scheme will outweigh any likely benefits to the people of Warwick District.
- (2) That the scheme will do almost nothing to prevent terrorism, crime or fraud.
- (3) That the national database that underpins the identity card scheme may facilitate criminal fraud, terrorism and potential state abuses of human rights.
- (4) That the ID card and database proposals are likely to fundamentally alter the relationship between the state and the individual.

According to Government estimates, the cost of such a scheme could reach £5.5 billion, with independent commentators predicting substantially higher costs. The residents of Warwick District will be required to pay an estimated £35 for a stand-alone ID card or £85 for a passport and ID card together.

This Council resolves to:

- (1) instruct the Chief Executive to write to the Home Secretary expressing these views and asking him to reconsider his decision to push forward this legislation; and
- (2) ask our two MPs to support this Council's position on ID cards.

(B) Councillor M Coker to move

"That in view of the numerous applications for Mobile Telephone masts being made throughout the District and the concern caused to residents in the area of such applications as a result of the damage to the visual aspect of the locality and the perceived health threat that these masts pose, that this Council recognising the likely continued demand for such sites to be found cooperate with the telephone companies with a view to identifying sites which can be utilised and designed in such a fashion as not to offend the visual aspect of the area in which they are positioned and are far enough away from residential accommodation as not to threaten any danger either perceived or real to health.

That this be on condition that when such sites are identified that these be used on a communal basis so as to stop the proliferation of such sites within the District.”

9. **Common Seal**

To authorise the affixing of the Common Seal of the Council to such deeds and documents as may be required for implementing decisions of the Council arrived at this day.

Chief Executive