

HAMPSHIRE AND ISLE OF WIGHT LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

29 September 2006

“FIVE MINUTE SLOT” AND FUTURE AGENDA

Report by the Director

RECOMMENDATION

That Members consider their future agenda.

1. This item gives Members the chance to consider their future agenda.
2. At the moment we have the following potential matters for discussion at the next meeting of the Association on 24 November 2006:
 - ! Local Government White Paper
 - ! Gypsies, Travellers and Showpeople - sites.
3. Members previously asked to consider disabled facilities grants. These grants, 60% funded by Central Government, are now providing yet another pressure on District Council revenue expenditure and will be considered as part of a future report on revenue funding pressures.
4. Members and Chief Executives have worked carefully with the Health Service to prepare for the current changes. The Association arranged a series of briefings with the Chief Executive of the former Hampshire and Isle of Wight Strategic Health Authority. Dave Yates and Bernie Topham as lead Chief Executives have maintained the momentum and the Chairman and Chief Executive of the new Hampshire Primary Care Trust have asked to attend a future meeting.
5. The Hampshire Association of Parish and Town Councils (HAPTC) has requested a presentation to a future meeting by Andrew Pitt, Hampshire Water Partnership (HWP) Co-ordinator. HWP last presented to this Association in 2003 since when it has moved from a County Council funded initiative to a self-funding partnership of over 20 organisations. New members are mainly water companies and other businesses. Southampton City Council, New Forest District Council and Hampshire County Council have been members from the start and Test Valley has recently joined. HAPTC is taking an active role in the partnership.
6. Paul Coen, the new Chief Executive of the Local Government Association, has responded positively to our invitation and has indicated that he plans to attend the Association meeting at Eastleigh on 26 January 2007.

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