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Dear Councillor

A meeting of the Environment Overview & Scrutiny Panel is to be held in the Committee Room, Town Hall, Chorley on Monday, 6th February, 2006 commencing at 6.30 pm.

AGENDA

1. **Apologies for absence**

2. **Declarations of Any Interests**

Members of the Panel are reminded of their responsibility to declare any personal interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 2000, the Council's Constitution and the Members Code of Conduct. If the personal interest is a prejudicial interest, then the individual Member should not participate in a discussion on the matter and must withdraw from the Council Chamber and not seek to influence a decision on the matter.

3. **Minutes (Pages 1 - 2)**

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Environment Overview and Scrutiny Panel held on 5 January 2006 (enclosed)

4. **Review of the Environmental Services Budget**

Environmental Services has been identified to be looked at in more detail because it appears as upper quartile costs in the Value for Money (VFM) Self Assessment. There may be a valid reason for this being the case and the purpose of the Scrutiny is to explore in more detail why the service is showing in the upper quartile in cost terms

Joint report of the Director of Finance and the Head of Environmental Services (to follow)

5. **Refuse and Recycling Collection Service**

The Head of Environmental Services will be attending the meeting to discuss with Members the Councils refuse and recycling collection service and the recent difficulties being experienced by some residents

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6. **Any other item(s) that the Chair decides is/are urgent**

Yours sincerely



Chief Executive

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- 2) Agenda and reports to Director of Finance and Head of Environmental Services for attendance
- 3) . Agenda and reports to Executive Member for Environment and Community Safety (Councillor Brown) for attendance

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Environment Overview & Scrutiny Panel**Thursday, 5 January 2006**

Present: Councillor T McGowan (Chair) and Councillors D Dickinson, T Gray, Miss I Iddon and S Smith

06.ENV.01 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors R Lees and M Lowe.

06.ENV.02 DECLARATIONS OF ANY INTERESTS

No Member declared an interest in relation to matters under consideration at the meeting.

06.ENV.03 MINUTES

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the meeting of the Environmental Overview and Scrutiny Panel held on 10 November 2005 be confirmed as a correct record. Under Minute 05.ENV.38 the Chair informed Members of the decision taken by the Executive Cabinet on 1 December 2005 on the recommendations of the Panel’s inquiry entitled “Accessibility of cycling as a leisure pursuit”.

06.ENV.04 REFUSE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION SERVICES

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee had referred this matter to the Panel for consideration. Members were due to discuss with the Head of Environmental Services the Council’s refuse and recycling collection services and the recent difficulties being experienced by some residents, but due to unforeseen circumstances he was unable to attend the meeting.

The Panel **AGREED** to defer the matter to a future meeting.

06.ENV.05 MANAGEMENT OF THE COUNCILS CEMETERIES SERVICE

As requested by the Panel at its last meeting on 10 November 2005, the Head of Public Space Services attended the meeting to inform Members and provide them with a better understanding of the management of the Council’s cemeteries service, prior to the submission to a future meeting of a Consultants report.

06.ENV.06 HIGHWAYS PARTNERSHIP AND CALL - OUT TO INCIDENTS OF FLOODING

As requested by the Panel at its last meeting on 10 November 2005, the Head of Public Space Services attended the meeting to inform Members of the contingency plans that would be in place for reported incidents of flooding after the termination of the Lancashire Highways Partnership on 30 June 2006.

06.ENV.07 OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2005/06

The Panel received the Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme and discussed the items relating to the Environment Panel.

RESOLVED – That the Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme be noted.

Chair