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Interim Chief Executive Jaki Salisbury

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE SHADOW EXECUTIVE

20 October 2008

Dear Councillor

CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE SHADOW EXECUTIVE - Tuesday 28 October 2008

In support of the Agenda and papers for the above meeting please find attached Forward Plan Notice.

Should you have any queries regarding the above please contact Democratic Services on Tel: 01525 842033

Yours sincerely

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PROPOSED CONSIDERATION OF URGENT ITEMS NOT INCLUDED ON FORWARD PLAN

NOTICE is hereby given that the following items, which were not included on the Forward Plan, published on 16 September 2008, may be considered by the Executive at its meeting on **Tuesday 28 October 2008**: -

1. SCHOOLS ADMISSIONS AND TRANSFERS

- (1. To advise the Shadow Authority of its statutory duty and powers in relation to schools admissions and transfers;
- 2. To make some decisions in relation to admission processes during the transition period and beyond April 2009 including the formation of an admission policy and coordinated schemes for 2010 and the establishment of a Central Bedfordshire Admissions Forum and an appeals process.)

(Report of the Interim Director of Children, Families and Learning)(Contact Officer: Patricia Coker Tel: (0845 849 6091)

The Council needs to have an Admissions Forum in place by December 2008 to monitor the effectiveness of local admissions arrangements and compliance with the Admissions Code. Consideration of this item will therefore not admit of delay to the next meeting of the Shadow Executive.

2. AWARD OF TENDER FOR ICT STORAGE AREA NETWORK

(To seek authority to award a tender for the provision of a Storage Area Network in support of the creation of the new ICT infrastructure for Central Bedfordshire Council.)

(Report of the Director of Corporate Resources)(Contact Officer: Robert Wood Tel: (01462 611609)

In order for ICT to deliver the new Central Bedfordshire IT Infrastructure within the critical path timeline, it is essential that the necessary equipment is ordered as a matter of urgency. Consideration of the report will not therefore admit of delay to the next meeting of the Shadow Executive.

3. AWARD OF TENDER FOR ICT SERVER INFRASTRUCTURE

(To seek authority to award a tender for the provision of server hardware in support of the creation of the new ICT infrastructure for Central Bedfordshire Council.)

(Report of the Director of Corporate Resources)(Contact Officer: Robert Wood Tel: (01462 611609)

In order for ICT to deliver the new Central Bedfordshire IT Infrastructure within the critical path timeline, it is essential that the necessary equipment is ordered as a matter of urgency. Consideration of the report will not therefore admit of delay to the next meeting of the Shadow Executive.

4. CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE UNITARY COUNCIL'S SEVERANCE/EARLY RETIREMENT POLICY

(To consider and determine the Severance/Early Retirement Policy for Central Bedfordshire Unitary Council to be effective from 1 April 2009).

(Report of the Human Resources Lead Officer)(Contact Officer: Martin Williams Tel: (01462 611064)

The Council needs to have in place a policy for severance/early retirement and it is necessary for the two new unitary Councils to co-ordinate timing of the agreement of their policies. Bedford Borough Council's Implementation Executive confirmed its policy at its meeting held on 7 October 2008 and it is therefore necessary for the Shadow Executive to determine its policy at this meeting.

Members are also requested to note that the report on Partnership Arrangements in Central Bedfordshire includes both proposals relating to the Central Bedfordshire Local Strategic Partnership and the proposed Community Network Model. Both items were included in the Forward Plan, albeit that the Community Network Model was shown as scheduled for consideration at the meeting to be held on 25 November 2008.

Reports on these subjects will be admitted to the agenda under the special urgency provisions of Rule No.16 of the Access to Information Procedure Rules.

Barbara Morris Interim Monitoring Officer

To: The Chairman of the Shadow Scrutiny Committee

cc: The Chairman of the Shadow Council
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