

Committee: Scrutiny Committee for Social Services and Health

Date: 8 July 2003

Title: Meeting of the Scrutiny Committee for Social Service and Health held on 8 July 2003 at 10.00 am at Pelham House, St Andrews Lane, Lewes, East Sussex

Subject: Agenda

Membership: Garvican Neighbour Lock McPherson Tunwell Webb Whetstone

AGENDA

1. Minutes of last meeting held on 7 May 2003 (page 1)
2. Apologies for absence
3. Disclosure by members of personal interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interest and whether the member regard the interest as prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct
4. Notification of matters which the Chairman considers to be urgent and proposes to take at the end of the agenda. Any members who wish to raise urgent items are asked, wherever possible, to notify the Chairman before the start of the meeting. In so doing, they must state the special circumstances which they consider justify the matter being considered urgent
5. **Call-In: Following a request which complies with paragraph 20 (c) of the Call-in rules of procedure (Part 4 of the Constitution, page C181 in the Members' Handbook) from Councillors Webb, McPherson and Neighbour, the Director of Legal and Community Services as Monitoring Officer has called in for consideration by the Committee the decisions made by the Cabinet on 24 June 2003 in relation to the closure of Castleham Industries. The following papers are attached:-**
 - (a) a minute of the decision made by Cabinet on 24 June 2003 is attached at page 4
 - (b) the letter submitted by Councillors Webb, McPherson, and Neighbour justifying the request for the call-in is attached at page 6
 - (c) a report by the Director of Social Services (originally circulated to Cabinet) is attached at page 7

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NOTE 1

The Chairman of the Social Services and Health has invited Mr Mike Barratt MBE (retired manager of Castleham Industries) to attend the meeting and address the Scrutiny Committee in relation to the decision by Cabinet to close Castleham Industries. Please note the following:-

- Members will be able to ask questions
- The Director of Social Services will be given an opportunity to respond

NOTE 2

Following consideration of the above-mentioned items if the Committee is still concerned about the decisions and according to the Council's Constitution, (Paragraphs 20 (d) of the Call-in rules), the Scrutiny Committee may then either ask Cabinet to reconsider their decision (setting out the reasons for its concern) or may refer the matter to the full Council.

On receipt of the response from the Scrutiny Committee Cabinet may decide to proceed with the original decision or make an amended decision. That is Cabinet's decision. If the Committee decides to take the latter course, the Council can either not object to the decision or object to the decision and refer the matter back to Cabinet for re-consideration. In that case, the Council can express views to Cabinet but cannot alter the decisions.

6. Any other items previously notified under item 4