

To : All Members of the **Downs Committee** 

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#### The Lord Mayor and 6 City Councillors

The Rt. Hon. The Lord Mayor (Colin Smith) Glenis Morgan (LD) Simon Cook (LD) Sylvia Townsend (LD) Brenda Hugill (L) John Goulandris (C) Ron Stone (L)

#### **The Master and 6 Merchant Venturers**

Colin Skellett (Master) Francis Greenacre Alan Tasker Tony Kenny

**Giles** Clarke Anthony Brown Peter Rilett

Dear Member.

You are invited to attend a meeting of the **Downs Committee** to be held at 4.30 pm on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2010 at The Council House, College Green, Bristol, BS1 5TR.

The agenda for the meeting is set out overleaf and the supporting documents are attached. I trust it will be convenient for you to attend.

Yours sincerely,

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Will Godfrey Strategic Director of



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#### PUBLIC INFORMATION SHEET

The attention of the public is drawn to the sheet at the back of the agenda giving information on the emergency evacuation procedures, attending meetings and inspecting reports and background papers.

## AGENDA

#### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND INTRODUCTIONS

#### 2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 5<sup>th</sup> July 2010 (Page 11)

- to be confirmed as a correct record.

#### 3. PUBLIC FORUM

- to consider items of public forum sent to the Downs Committee. Interested parties can submit a written statement of approximately one side of A4 to the Downs Committee by sending it to the Democratic Services Officer no later than 12.00 noon on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2010 on the contact information below.

#### 4. DOWNS RANGER REPORT (Page 19)

-- to update the committee on works and developments carried out since the last meeting.

(Report of the Downs Ranger)

#### 5. PROVISION OF A NEW BUS STOP ON SAVILLE ROAD FOR UNIVERSITY BUS SERVICES (Page 39)

- to receive a briefing note for information

#### 6. FRIENDS OF THE DOWNS & AVON GORGE REPORT (Page 43)

- To update the Committee on work undertaken in the first 2 years and plans for the future

#### 7. GREATER BRISTOL BUS NETWORK (GBBN) PROPOSALS FOR CHANGES TO BLACKBOY HILL (*Page 61*)

- to update the Committee on the proposals

(Report of Project Manager, City Development major projects)

# 8. DELEGATED AND UPCOMING EVENTS PROPOSED ON THE DOWNS (*Page 99*)

- to note the events and filming that have taken place between Committee meetings under Delegated Powers

(Report of the Festivals and Events Officer)

#### 9. FOCUS ON THE CROCUS - PRESENTATION FROM DISTRICT ROTARY FOUNDATION (*Page 105*)

- to consider proposals for the event and crocus planting.

#### 10. CHARGES FOR CHARITY EVENTS ON THE DOWNS (Page 109)

- to review the charges currently applied to charity events on The Downs and consider whether to keep them the same, reduce them or waiver them completely.

(Report of Service Improvement Manager for Arts and Culture)

#### 11. ANNUAL ACOUNTS 2009/10 (Page 121)

- to note the accounts for 2009/10 subject to audit

(Report of the Principal Accountant)

#### 12. FINANCIAL OUTTURN 2010/11 (Page 129)

- to note the likely financial position for 2010/11

(Report of the Principal Accountant)

#### 13. PROPOSED GIFTING OF ASSETS OF CLIFTON DOWN CHARITABLE TRUST LTD (CDCT) - CHARITY NO 1013795 (page 135)

- to consider a proposal from the Trustees of the Clifton Downs charitable Trust.

#### 14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2010 at **4.00 pm** at the Council House, College Green, Bristol

(Please note change to usual time)

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