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Dear Councillor

### **MEETING OF THE CABINET - 15TH MARCH 2006**

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Cabinet to be held on Wednesday 15th March 2006 at 6.00pm in the Council Chamber at the Council House, Dudley to consider the business set out in the Agenda below.

A Committee tea will be available in the Members' Dining Room from 4.30pm. Please contact Richard Sanders on the telephone number above if a vegetarian or special dietary meal is required or if a meal is not required.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Poyce".

Director of Law and Property

### **AGENDA**

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations of interest in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct.

3. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 8th February 2006 (copy herewith).

4. CHANGES IN REPRESENTATION OF MINORITY GROUP MEMBERS

To report any changes in the representation of Minority Group Members at this meeting of the Cabinet.

**STRATEGIC, POLICY AND PERFORMANCE ISSUES**

5. COUNCIL PLAN REVIEW 2006/07 (PAGES 1 - 6)

To consider the report of the Chief Executive.

6. BLACK COUNTRY STUDY - PREFERRED OPTIONS (KEY DECISION)  
(PAGES 7 - 9)

To consider the report of the Director of the Urban Environment.

7. REVISION OF THE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME (PAGES 10 -12)

To consider the report of the Director of the Urban Environment.

8. SUBMISSION OF THE STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT TO  
THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION (KEY  
DECISION) (PAGES 13 - 15)

To consider the report of the Director of the Urban Environment.

9. BIRMINGHAM INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT – DRAFT AIRPORT MASTERPLAN  
(KEY DECISION) (PAGES 16 - 19)

To consider the report of the Director of the Urban Environment.

10. DUDLEY ECONOMIC STRATEGY 2006/07 (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 20 -28)

To consider the report of the Director of the Urban Environment.

11. THE PRINCIPLES OF THE CHILDREN'S SERVICES DIRECTORATE  
(PAGES 29 - 36)

To consider the report of the Director of Children's Services.

12. THE STRUCTURE OF THE DIRECTORATE OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES (PAGES 37 - 40)

To consider the report of the Director of Children's Services.

13. CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S PLAN (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 41 - 43)

To consider the report of the Director of Children's Services.

14. IMPLEMENTING THE STATUTORY DUTY TO SAFEGUARD AND PROMOTE THE WELFARE OF CHILDREN - THE ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COUNCIL (PAGES 44 - 60)

To consider the report of the Director of Children's Services.

15. QUARTERLY CORPORATE PERFORMANCE MONITORING REPORT (PAGES 61 - 62)

To consider the report of the Chief Executive.

### **FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES**

16. CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 63 - 70)

To consider the joint report of the Director of Finance and Chief Executive.

### **SERVICE RELATED CORPORATE ISSUES**

17. APPROVAL FOR THE SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS FOR A CASINO IN BRIERLEY HILL (PAGES 71 - 74)

To consider the report of the Director of the Urban Environment.

18. ISSUES ARISING FROM SELECT COMMITTEES (IF ANY)

19. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

To consider the adoption of the following resolution: That under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Schedule 12A to the Act (as amended), in particular that paragraph of Part 1 of the Schedule indicated below:-

<u>Agenda Item No</u>	<u>Description of Item</u>	<u>Relevant Paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 12A</u>
20	Remodelling of Council Services – Voluntary Severance	1
21	Directorate of Finance, CT and Procurement - Human Resources	1
22	Appointment of Consultants in connection with Dudley Town Centre Area Development Framework	3

20. REMODELLING OF COUNCIL SERVICES – VOLUNTARY SEVERANCE (PAGES 75 - 77)

To consider the report of the Director of Adult, Community and Housing Services.

21. DIRECTORATE OF FINANCE, ICT AND PROCUREMENT - HUMAN RESOURCES (PAGES 78 - 82)

To consider the report of the Director of Finance.

22. APPOINTMENT OF CONSULTANTS IN CONNECTION WITH DUDLEY TOWN CENTRE AREA DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK (PAGES 83 - 85)

To consider the joint report of the Directors of the Urban Environment, Law and Property and Finance, ICT and procurement.

**Distribution:**

**All Members of the Cabinet**

**Councillors Adams, Caunt, Evans, Fraser-Macnamara, Jones, Mrs Martin, Miller, Mrs Millward, Mrs Shakespeare and Vickers**

**Minority Group Members nominated to attend meetings of the Cabinet**

**Councillors Ali, Crumpton, G H Davies, Ms Foster, Sparks and C L Woodall (Labour Group); Councillors Mrs Patrick and Tyler (Liberal Democrat Group)**