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Dear Councillor

<u>HALESOWEN AREA COMMITTEE – TUESDAY, 3RD JULY, 2007 AT 6.30PM</u>

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Halesowen Area Committee on Tuesday, 3rd July, 2007, at 6.30pm at Howley Grange Primary School, Halesowen to consider the business set out in the agenda below.

A buffet tea will be available for Members from 5.15pm onwards.

The agenda and reports for this meeting can be viewed on the Council's website www.dudley.gov.uk (Follow the links to Council Decision Making and Committee Information).

Yours sincerely,

John Pohjulus

Director of Law and Property

AGENDA

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

To elect a Chairman of the Committee for the 2007/2008 Municipal Year.

2. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

To appoint a Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the 2007/2008 Municipal Year.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.



4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

5. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 14th March, 2007.

6. TERMS OF REFERENCE AND PROTOCOL FOR AREA COMMITTEES (PAGES 1 – 14)

To consider a report of the Area Liaison Officer.

7. APPOINTMENT OF CO-OPTED MEMBERS (PAGES 15 – 16)

To consider a report of the Area Liaison Officer.

8. APPOINTMENT OF WORKING GROUPS (PAGES 17 – 18)

To consider a report of the Area Liaison Officer.

9. APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL REPRESENTATIONS TO OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS (PAGES 19 – 21)

To consider a report of the Area Liaison Officer.

10. PETITIONS

11. YOUTH ISSUES

12. POLICE ISSUES

13. PUBLIC FORUM

To receive questions from members of the public.

14. WARD ISSUES

15. HALESOWEN TOWN CENTRE DEVELOPMENT (PAGES 22 – 25)

To consider a report of the Director of the Urban Environment and to receive a presentation from Vale Retail and CENTRO

16. RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS RAISED AT THE HALESOWEN AREA COMMITTEE HELD ON 14TH MARCH, 2007 (PAGES 26 –27)

To consider a report of the Area Liaison Officer.

17. DELEGATED CAPITAL BUDGET (PAGES 28 – 30)

To consider a report of the Director of Finance.

18. APPLICATIONS IN RESPECT OF LAND AND PROPERTY OWNED BY THE COUNCIL (PAGES 31 – 35)

To consider a report of the Director of Law and Property (copy and appendices attached).

Request to Declare Land Surplus to Requirements at Beechfield Close, Halesowen

19. PROGRESS OF ELECTED MEMBER VISITS TO ADULTS AND CHILDREN'S SOCIAL CARE ESTABLISHMENTS 2006/07 (PAGES 36 – 52)

To consider a report of the Director of Adult, Community and Housing Services and the Director of Children's Services

20. DUDLEY LOCAL IMPROVEMENT FINANCE TRUST (LIFT) (PAGES 53–54)

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

21. ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS REGARDING CRADLEY HIGH SCHOOL (PAGES 55–59)

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

22. HIGHWAYS MINOR WORKS CAPITAL PROGRAMME FOR 2007/08 (PAGES 60–66)

To consider a report of the Director of the Urban Environment

- 23. QUESTIONS UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 11.8 (IF ANY)
- 24. SELECT COMMITTEE PUBLICITY

As a way of giving additional publicity to meetings of the Council's Select Committees it has been agreed that the dates of future meetings of the committee be included on the agendas of meetings of Area Committees.

Set out below is a list of all future meetings -

Select Committee	<u>Dates</u>
Regeneration, Culture and Adult Education	10 th September 2007 29 th October 2007 16 th January 2008 5 th March 2008
Community Safety and Community Services	13th September 2007 8 th November 2007 10 th January 2008 13 th March 2008
Environment	26 th June 2007

26th September 2007 12th November 2007 28th January 2008 6th March 2008

Health and Adult Social Care 10th July 2007

27th September 2007 22nd November 2007 17th January 2008 27th March 2008

Children's Services 21st June 2007

17th September 2007 15th November 2007 23rd January 2008 26th March 2008

All these meetings start at 6pm and are held in the Council House, Dudley.

Also, the agendas for meetings of Select Committees include a public participation item at which point members of the public can speak to raise an item relating to the activities of the particular Select Committee. Please see below as to how this is dealt with.

More information about Select Committees can be found on the Council's Committee Management Information System (CMIS), which can be accessed via http://cmis.dudley.gov.uk/cmiswebpublic.

Details about speaking at a select committee meeting or about Select Committees can also be obtained by speaking to Joe Jablonski on 01384-815243; e-mail josef.jablonski@dudley.gov.uk or the person whose details appear on the cover of this agenda.

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