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Dear Councillor

MEETING OF THE CABINET - WEDNESDAY, 31ST OCTOBER, 2007

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Cabinet to be held on Wednesday, 31st October, 2007 at 6.00pm in Committee Room 2 at the Council House, Priory Road, Dudley to consider the business set out in the agenda below.

A Committee tea will be available for Members in the Members' Dining Room from 4.30pm. Please inform Richard Sanders on the telephone number above at least 48 hours before the meeting if a meal is not required or if a vegetarian or special dietary meal is required.

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

Director of Law and Property

John Pomouni

AGENDA

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.

2. CHANGES IN REPRESENTATION OF MINORITY GROUP MEMBERS

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

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

4. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 12th September, 2007 (copy attached).

STRATEGIC, POLICY AND PERFORMANCE ISSUES

5. REGIONAL SPATIAL STRATEGY REVIEW PHASE 1: THE BLACK COUNTRY PROPOSED CHANGES BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE (PAGES 1 - 4)

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

6. CITY STRATEGY AND IMPLICATIONS FOR DUDLEY MBC (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 5 - 10)

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

7 REVIEW OF NEIGHBOURHOOD MANAGEMENT (PAGES 11 - 19)

To consider the report of the Chief Executive.

8. DELIVERING THE MASTERPLAN FOR DUDLEY TOWN CENTRE (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 20 - 43)

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

9. SUB-NATIONAL REVIEW OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND REGENERATION (PAGES 44 - 51)

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

10 RESPECT IN DUDLEY (PAGES 52 - 58)

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

11 ANNUAL REVIEW OF EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY 2007 (PAGES 59 - 102)

To consider the report of the Director of Law and Property.

FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE ISSUE

12. CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 103 - 111)

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

SERVICE RELATED CORPORATE ISSUES

13 CONTINUING DEVELOPMENT OF LOCAL AUTHORITY RESIDENTIAL HOMES AND DAY CARE SERVICES – NEXT STEPS (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 112 - 119)

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

14 ESTABLISHING A FRAMEWORK FOR INFORMATION SHARING (PAGES 120 - 122)

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

15 ISSUES ARISING FROM SELECT COMMITTEES (IF ANY)

The Director of Law and Property to report orally

PRIVATE SESSION

In accordance with Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972, the Proper Officer has determined that there will be no advance disclosure of the following report because the public interest in disclosing the information set out in the following item is outweighed by the public interest in maintaining the exemption from disclosure.

16. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

To consider the adoption of the following resolution:-

That the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that they involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972, as specified below and, in all the circumstances, the public interest in disclosing the information is outweighed by the public interest in maintaining the exemption from disclosure.

Agenda Item	Description of Item	Relevant paragraph
<u>Number</u>		of Part 1 and
		Schedule 12A
17.	Termination of Contracts on grounds of	1
	Redundancy	

17 TERMINATION OF CONTRACTS ON GROUNDS OF REDUNDANCY (TO FOLLOW)

To consider the joint report of the Director of Children's Services and the Head of Personnel and Support Services

To: All Members of the Cabinet:

Councillors Adams, Caunt, Evans, Fraser-Macnamara, Knowles, Mrs. Martin, Miller, Mrs. Millward, Mrs. Shakespeare and Mrs. Walker.

Minority Group Members nominated to attend meetings of the Cabinet:

Councillors Ali, Crumpton, G. H. Davies, Ms. Foster, Ms. Partridge, Mrs. Ridney and Sparks (Labour Group).

Councillor Tyler (Liberal Democrat Group)