

DUDLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council to be held at the Council House, Priory Road, Dudley on Monday, 18th April, 2005, at 6.00 pm for the purpose of transacting the business set out in the agenda below.

John Pryor

DIRECTOR OF LAW AND PROPERTY

8th April, 2005

A G E N D A

PRAYERS

1. MINUTES

TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON THE 28TH FEBRUARY AND 7TH MARCH, 2005 (PAGES CL/56 - CL/78).

2. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT.

3. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THE RECEIPT OF APOLOGIES.

4. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM MEETINGS AS FOLLOWS:

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| | <u>From</u> | <u>To</u> |
| Meeting of the Cabinet held on 16 th March, 2005 | | |
| Councillor Caunt to move:- | | |
| (a) Capital Programming Monitoring | 1 | 5 |
| (b) Scrutiny Protocol for Select Committees | 6 | 13 |
| Councillor Evans to move:- | | |
| (c) Housing Options Appraisal | 14 | 19 |

Councillor Fraser-Macnamara to move:-

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| (d) | Leisure and Swimming Facility in the Brierley Hill Area | 20 | 23 |
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5. TO CONSIDER FURTHER THE FOLLOWING NOTICE OF MOTION, RECEIVED FROM COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON ON 6TH DECEMBER, 2004, IN THE TERMS BELOW, WHICH WAS DEBATED IN PART BUT NOT DISPENSED WITH AT THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 28TH FEBRUARY, 2005

“This Council resolves to support and promote the concept of Fairtrade – ensuring that producers from developing countries get a fair price for their goods and labour.

The Council resolves to:

- (a) promote awareness of Fairtrade issues, and make publicity material and educational information available to local people concerning the world wide impact of unfair trade and the opportunities that Fairtrade provides to promote sustainable development.
 - (b) investigate the Council’s own purchasing policies, and, where appropriate in conjunction with our statutory partners, with a view to purchasing Fairtrade where possible.
 - (c) serve Fairtrade coffee and tea at its meetings and in its offices, canteens and restaurants.
 - (d) consider buying Fairtrade products, such as those carrying the Fairtrade mark as they become available.
 - (e) promote Fairtrade issues and practices amongst local businesses and commercial and other organisations.
 - (f) develop a strategy to make Dudley a Fairtrade town
 - (g) formally allocate Fairtrade town responsibilities to a Council officer to work with a Steering Group set up to ensure continued commitment to a Fairtrade town status.”
6. TO CONSIDER THE ANNUAL REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES, AS FOLLOWS:-

Councillor Blood to move:-

- (a) Annual Report of the Select Committee on Community Safety. (Pages 24 to 30)

Councillor Mrs. Cowell to move:-

- (b) Annual Report of the Select Committee on the Environment.
(Pages 31 to 36)

7. TO ANSWER QUESTIONS UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 11.
8. TO CONSIDER ANY BUSINESS NOT ON THE AGENDA WHICH BY REASON OF SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES THE MAYOR IS OF THE OPINION SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AT THE MEETING AS A MATTER OF URGENCY UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 100(B)(4) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972.