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**Dear Councillor** 

# MEETING OF THE CABINET - WEDNESDAY, 11th FEBRUARY, 2009

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Cabinet to be held at 6.00pm on Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> February, 2009 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 in the Members' Dining Room from 4.30pm. Please inform Democratic Services 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.

Yours sincerely

Interim Director of Law and Property

# AGENDA

#### 1. 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 held on 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2008 and the minutes of the special meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> January, 2009 (copies attached)

## **BUDGET, STRATEGIC, POLICY AND PERFORMANCE ISSUES**

5. REVENUE BUDGET STRATEGY AND SETTING THE COUNCIL TAX 2009/10 (KEY DECISION) (TO FOLLOW)

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

6. DEPLOYMENT OF RESOURCES: HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT AND PUBLIC SECTOR HOUSING CAPITAL (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 1 – 21)

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

 UPDATE OF THE COUNCIL'S CAPITAL STRATEGY (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 22 – 36)

To consider the report of the Director of Finance

8. JOINT REVIEW – COMMISSIONING SERVICES FOR PEOPLE WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES AND COMPLEX NEEDS (PAGES 37 – 61)

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

9. DUDLEY LOCAL IMPROVEMENT FINANCE TRUST (LIFT) (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 62 – 71)

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

10. PARKS AND GREEN SPACES STRATEGY (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 72 – 74)

To consider the report of the Director of the Urban Environment

 LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME REVISION (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 75 – 78)

To consider the report of the Director of the Urban Environment

12. LOCAL IMPACT OF THE ECONOMIC DOWNTURN AND PROPOSALS FOR PLANNED SERVICE RESPONSE (PAGES 79 – 84)

To consider the report of the Interim Chief Executive

13. UPDATING THE COMMUNITY STRATEGY AND ENGAGEMENT FRAMEWORK AND LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT (PAGES 85 – 96)

To consider the report of the Interim Chief Executive

14. THE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES ACT 2007 (PAGES 97 – 99)

To consider the report of the Interim Chief Executive

15. CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 100 – 113)

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

 QUARTERLY CORPORATE PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT REPORT (PAGES 114 – 115)

To consider the report of the Interim Chief Executive

### SERVICE RELATED CORPORATE ISSUES

17. PROPOSED DUDLEY MOSQUE AND COMMUNITY TRAINING AND ENTERPRISE CENTRE (PAGES 116 – 126)

To consider a report of the Interim Chief Executive

 RESPONSE TO THE ETHNIC MINORITY ACHIEVEMENT SERVICE CONSULTATION (PAGES 127 – 154)

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

A presentation on this issue will be given by the Cabinet Member for Children's Services

19. 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 reports because the public interest in disclosing the information set out in the following items is outweighed by the public interest in maintaining the exemption from disclosure.

#### 20. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

To consider the adoption of the following resolution:-

That the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve 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 of Schedule
		<u>12A</u>
21.	Castlegate, Dudley	3
22.	Staffing Issue – Directorate of Finance,	1
	ICT and Procurement	

### 21. CASTLEGATE, DUDLEY (TO FOLLOW)

To consider the joint report of the Interim Chief Executive, Director of Finance and the Director of the Urban Environment

22 STAFFING ISSUE – DIRECTORATE OF FINANCE, ICT AND PROCUREMENT (PAGES 155 – 157)

To consider the report of the Director of Finance

#### To: All Members of the Cabinet:

Councillor Caunt (Leader) – Chairman Councillor Mrs. Millward (Deputy Leader) Councillors Adams, Evans, Knowles, Miller, Mrs. Shakespeare, Simms, A. Turner and Mrs. Walker.

# **Opposition Group Members nominated to attend meetings of the Cabinet:**

Councillors Ali, G.H. Davies, Ms. Foster, Ms. Partridge, Mrs. Ridney and Sparks.