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9<sup>th</sup> March, 2010

**Dear Councillor** 

# MEETING OF THE CABINET - WEDNESDAY, 17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2010

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Cabinet to be held on Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2010 at 6.00p.m. 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 (Follow the links to Council Decisions and Committee Information).

Yours sincerely

**Director of Corporate Resources** 

### 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 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2010 (attached).

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

5 ANNUAL AUDIT LETTER 2009 (PAGES 1 – 2)

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

Representatives of the Audit Commission will be in attendance at the meeting.

6. DUDLEY BOROUGH ECONOMIC STRATEGY (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 3 – 6)

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

7. PHYSICAL DISABILITY AND SENSORY IMPAIRMENT STRATEGY: REVISION 2010 – DRAFT (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 7 – 10)

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

8. CARERS' STRATEGY: REVISION 2010 - DRAFT (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 11 - 13)

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

9. AGEING WELL – A STRATEGY FOR OLDER PEOPLE 2010-2013 – DRAFT (KEY DECISION) (PAGES14 – 16)

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

10. JOINT MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSIONING STRATEGY (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 17 – 19)

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

11. DUDLEY HEALTH AND WELL BEING PARTNERSHIP JOINT WORKFORCE STRATEGY 2010 - 2015 (PAGES 20 – 23)

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

12. CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 24 – 29)

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

13. LEARNING AND SKILLS COUNCIL TRANSFER BUDGET 2010/11 – 16-19 LEARNING GRANT AND SPECIAL GRANT (PAGES 30 – 34)

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

## **SERVICE RELATED CORPORATE ISSUES**

14. REVIEW OF THE GENDER EQUALITY SCHEME (PAGES 35 – 37)

To consider the report of the Director of Corporate Resources.

15. SCALE OF FEES AND EXPENSES FOR BOROUGH COUNCIL ELECTIONS (PAGES 38 – 41)

To consider the report of the Chief Executive and Returning Officer.

16. PENSNETT SECONDARY SCHOOL (TO FOLLOW)

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

17. ISSUES ARISING FROM SELECT COMMITTEES (IF ANY)

The Director of Corporate Resources to report verbally.

## 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.

#### 18. 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>
19	Staffing Issue – Directorate of Finance, ICT and Procurement	1
20	Staffing Issue – Directorate of the Urban Environment	1
21	Staffing Issue – Directorate of Children's Services	1

 STAFFING ISSUE – DIRECTORATE OF FINANCE, ICT AND PROCUREMENT (PAGES 42 – 44)

To consider the joint report of the Director of Corporate Resources and the Interim Director of Finance.

20. STAFFING ISSUE – DIRECTORATE OF THE URBAN ENVIRONMENT (PAGES 45 – 47)

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

21. STAFFING ISSUE – DIRECTORATE OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES (PAGES 48 – 52)

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

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

Councillor Mrs. Millward (Leader) – Chairman Councillor Jones (Deputy Leader) Councillors Adams, D Blood, Evans, Mrs. Faulkner, Simms, Stanley, A Turner and Mrs. Walker

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

Councillors Ali, Ms. Foster, Lowe, Ms. Partridge, Mrs. Ridney and Sparks