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Dear Councillor

<u>AUDIT COMMITTEE – THURSDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER 2007</u>

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Audit Committee to be held on Thursday, 20th September, 2007, at 6.00pm in Committee Room 3 at the Council House, 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 Manjit Johal 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.

APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

To report the appointment of any substitutes to this meeting of the Committee.

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 Committee held on 28th June, 2007.

5. TREASURY MANAGEMENT (PAGES 1-5)

To consider a report of the Director of Finance

6. AMENDMENTS TO STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2006/07 (PAGES 6 – 7)

To consider a report of the Director of Finance

7. AUDITOR'S ANNUAL GOVERNANCE REPORT 2006/07 (PAGES 8 – 30)

To consider a report of the Director of Finance

8. TO ANSWER QUESTIONS UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 11.8 (IF ANY)

PRIVATE SESSION

In accordance with Paragraph 10 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

9. 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 indicated below:-

Agenda Item No	Description of Item	Relevant Paragraph of Part I of Schedule 12A
10	Annual Audit Report in Relation to the Directorate of Children's Services	2 and 7
11	Annual Audit Report in Relation to the Directorate of Finance, ICT and Procurement	2 and 7

10. ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT IN RELATION TO THE DIRECTORATE OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES (PAGES 31 - 119)

To consider a report of the Director of Finance.

11. ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT IN RELATION TO THE DIRECTORATE OF FINANCE, ICT AND PROCUREMENT (PAGES 120 - 151)

To consider a report of the Director of Finance.

Distribution

Councillors Ali, Attwood, Burston, J R Davies, Mrs Jordan, Kettle, Ms Nicholls, Taylor and Tyler