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Dear Councillor

MEETING OF THE CABINET – WEDNESDAY, 8TH FEBRUARY, 2012

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Cabinet to be held on Wednesday, 8th February, 2012 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.

The agenda and reports for this meeting can be viewed on the Council's website www.dudley.gov.uk (Follow the links to Meetings and Decisions and Committee Information).

Yours sincerely



Director of Corporate Resources

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 correct records and sign the minutes of the meetings of the Cabinet held on 7th December, 2011 and 19th January, 2012 (copies attached).

BUDGET, STRATEGIC, POLICY AND PERFORMANCE ISSUES

5. REVENUE BUDGET STRATEGY AND SETTING THE COUNCIL TAX 2012/13 (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 1 – 54)

To consider the joint report of the Chief Executive and the Treasurer.

6. DEPLOYMENT OF RESOURCES: HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT AND PUBLIC SECTOR HOUSING CAPITAL (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 55 – 78)

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

7. UPDATE OF THE COUNCIL'S CAPITAL STRATEGY (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 79 – 80)

To consider the joint report of the Chief Executive and the Treasurer.

8. CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 81 – 97)

To consider the joint report of the Chief Executive and the Treasurer.

9. QUARTERLY CORPORATE PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT REPORT (PAGES 98 – 99)

To consider the report of the Chief Executive.

SERVICE RELATED CORPORATE ISSUES

10. HOUSING REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE – PROCUREMENT AND DELIVERY OF SERVICE (PAGES 100 – 101)

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

11. INSPECTION OF SAFEGUARDING AND LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN
(PAGES 102 – 114)

To consider the report of the Acting Director of Children’s Services.

12. CENTRAL GOVERNMENT INITIATIVE: TROUBLED FAMILIES (PAGES 115 –
124)

To consider the report of the Acting Director of Children’s Services.

13. COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY (PAGES 125 – 127)

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

14. ISSUES ARISING FROM SCRUTINY COMMITTEES (IF ANY)

The Director of Corporate Resources 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.

15. 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 it 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.

<u>Agenda Item Number</u>	<u>Description of Item</u>	<u>Relevant paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 12A</u>
16	Staffing Issues – Directorate of Children’s Services	1

16. STAFFING ISSUES – DIRECTORATE OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES (PAGES 128 – 129)

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

To: All Members of the Cabinet:

Councillor L Jones (Leader - Chairman)

Councillor Wright (Deputy Leader)

Councillors Adams, Blood, P. Harley, Stanley, A Turner, Vickers and Mrs. Walker

Opposition Group Members nominated to attend meetings of the Cabinet:

Councillors Ali, Crumpton, Foster, Lowe, Ms. Partridge and Sparks