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4<sup>th</sup> September, 2007

Dear Councillor

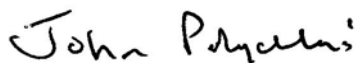
**MEETING OF THE CABINET – WEDNESDAY, 12<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2007**

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Cabinet to be held on Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> September, 2007 at 6.00pm 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 for Members in the Members' Dining Room from 4.30pm. Please inform Richard Sanders 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](http://www.dudley.gov.uk) (Follow the links to Council Decision Making and Committee Information).

Yours sincerely



Director of Law and Property

**A G E N D A**

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 meetings of the Cabinet held on 13<sup>th</sup> June and 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2007 (copies attached).

**STRATEGIC, POLICY AND PERFORMANCE ISSUES**

5. EXTRA CARE HOUSING – PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT (PAGES 1 - 5)

To consider the report of the Director of Adult, Community and Housing Services (NB: A presentation on this issue will be given).

6. UPDATE OF THE COUNCIL'S CAPITAL STRATEGY (KEY DECISION)  
(PAGES 6 – 20)

To consider the report of the Director of Finance.

7. DUDLEY PLAY STRATEGY AND CHILDREN'S PLAY INITIATIVE  
(PAGES 21 - 27)

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

8. PROVIDING A MODERN LIBRARY SERVICE IN DUDLEY MBC –  
MODERNISATION PROGRAMME (PAGES 28 - 38)

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

9. DUDLEY ARCHIVES AND LOCAL HISTORY SERVICE RELOCATION ( KEY  
DECISION) (PAGES 39 - 43)

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

10. LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT (PAGES 44 - 47 )

To consider the report of the Chief Executive.

11. FOOD SERVICE PLAN 2007/08 (PAGES 48 - 56)

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

12. QUARTERLY CORPORATE PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT REPORT  
(PAGES 57 – 58)

To consider the report of the Chief Executive accompanying the agenda

## **FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES**

13. REVIEW OF POLLING DISTRICTS, POLLING PLACES AND ACCESS ARRANGEMENTS (PAGES 59 - 66)

To consider the report of the Chief Executive.

14. SPENDING PROJECTIONS 2007/08 (PAGES 67 - 71)

To consider the report of the Director of Finance.

15. REVIEW OF HOUSING FINANCE (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 72 - 76)

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

16. CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 77 - 91)

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

## **SERVICE RELATED CORPORATE ISSUES**

17. ANNUAL LETTER 2006/07 FROM THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT OMBUDSMAN IN RESPECT OF COMPLAINTS MADE AGAINST THE COUNCIL (PAGES 92 - 102)

To consider the report of the Director of Law and Property.

18. AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT (KEY DECISION) (TO FOLLOW)

To consider the report of the Director of the Urban Environment

## **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 advanced 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.

19. 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 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.

<u>Agenda Item Number(s)</u>	<u>Description of Item</u>	<u>Relevant paragraph of Part 1 and Schedule 12A</u>
20.	Request for Early Retirement.	1

20. REQUEST FOR EARLY RETIREMENT (TO FOLLOW)

To consider the report of the Head of Personnel and Support Services

**To: All Members of the Cabinet:**

Councillors Adams, Caunt, Evans, Fraser-Macnamara, Knowles, Mrs. P. Martin, Miller, Mrs. Millward, Mrs. Shakespeare and Mrs. Walker.

**Minority Group Members nominated to attend meetings of the Cabinet:**

Councillors Ali, Crumpton, G. H. Davies, Ms. Foster, Ms. Partridge, Mrs. Ridney and Sparks (Labour Group).

Councillor Tyler (Liberal Democrat Group) (cc. Councillor Ms. Craigie)