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Dear Councillor

MEETING OF THE CABINET – WEDNESDAY, 18TH MARCH, 2009

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Cabinet to be held at 6.00pm on Wednesday, 18th March, 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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "R. Sanders", written over a white background.

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 11th February, 2009 (copy attached)

BUDGET, STRATEGIC, POLICY AND PERFORMANCE ISSUES

5. ANNUAL AUDIT AND INSPECTION LETTER (PAGES 1-2)

To consider the report of the Director of Finance

6. DUDLEY BOROUGH ECONOMIC STRATEGY 2009/10 (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 3-17)

To consider the report of the Director of the Urban Environment

7. A STRATEGY FOR LEARNING DISABILITY SERVICES IN DUDLEY (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 18-20)

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

8. SAFEGUARDING VULNERABLE ADULTS (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 21-30)

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

9. CITY REGION MULTI-AREA AGREEMENT FOR EMPLOYMENT AND SKILLS (PAGES 31-35)

To consider the report of the Director of the Urban Environment

10. CITY REGION PILOT PROPOSAL (PAGES 36-39)

To consider the report of the Director of the Urban Environment

11. HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT : RENT INCREASE 2009/10 (PAGES 40-42)

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

12. CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 43-48)

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

FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

13 PARTNERSHIP FOR REGENERATION (PAGES 49-51)

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

14. TRANSFER OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE COMMISSIONING AND FUNDING OF SOCIAL CARE FOR ADULTS WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES FROM THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 52-60)

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

SERVICE RELATED CORPORATE ISSUES

15. ADOPTION OF THE REVISED 'PLANNING OBLIGATIONS SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT' (PAGES 61-65)

To consider the report of the Director of the Urban Environment

16. REVIEW OF LEISURE SERVICES (PAGES 66-76)

To consider the report of the Director of the Urban Environment

17 TRANSFORMING SECONDARY EDUCATION – BUILDING SCHOOLS FOR THE FUTURE AND ACADEMIES (TO FOLLOW)

To consider the joint report of the Interim Chief Executive and the Interim Director of Children's Services

18. REVIEW OF HOUSING ALLOCATIONS SCHEME (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 77-85)

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

<u>Agenda Item Number</u>	<u>Description of Item</u>	<u>Relevant paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 12A</u>
21.	Staffing Issue, Directorate of the Urban Environment	1

21. STAFFING ISSUE – DIRECTORATE OF THE URBAN ENVIRONMENT (PAGES 86-88)

To consider the Director of the Urban Environment

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.