

Meeting of the Cabinet

Thursday 29th January 2026 at 4.00pm
In Committee Room 2 at the Council House,
Priory Road, Dudley, West Midlands, DY1 1HF

Agenda - Public Session **(Meeting open to the public and press)**

1. Apologies for absence
2. To receive any declarations of interest under the Members' Code of Conduct
3. 2026/27 Housing Review Account Medium Financial Plan and Rent Setting
4. Council Tax Base 2026/27
5. Winter Maintenance (To follow)
6. Dudley Local Plan – Main Modifications and Consultation
7. Infrastructure Funding Statement 2025
8. Procurement of a Flexible Learning Support Framework for Young People in Dudley
9. To report on any issues arising from Scrutiny Committees
10. To consider any questions from Members to the Leader where two clear days' notice has been given to the Monitoring Officer (Cabinet Procedure Rule 2.5)

11. Resolution to exclude the public and press

Chair to move:

“That the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information under Part I of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, for the reasons stated on the agenda.”

Under the provisions of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, the Monitoring Officer has decided that there will be no advance disclosure of the following report because the public interest in disclosing the information is outweighed by the public interest in maintaining the exemption from disclosure.

**Agenda - Private Session
(Meeting not open to the public and press)**

12. Proposal to declare part of the former Coseley School surplus to requirements

(This report contains exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information))

13. Building Safety and Compliance Contract (To follow)

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Distribution:

Members of the Cabinet:

Councillor P Harley (Leader)

Councillor P Bradley (Deputy Leader)

Councillors P Atkins, I Bevan, S Clark, D Corfield, A Goddard, E Lawrence, W Little and S Phipps

Opposition Group Members nominated to attend meetings of the Cabinet:

Shadow Cabinet Members (Main Opposition Group Spokespersons):

Councillors A Aston, S Ali, C Bayton, K Casey, E Cobb, J Cowell, S Mughal, Q Mughal, S Ridney and P Sahota

Leader and Deputy Leader of each of the other political groups:

Councillors P Lowe and K Westwood (The Black Country Party)

Councillors R Priest and E Stafford (Liberal Democrats)

Councillor S Keasey (Reform UK)

Note: Opposition Group Members may speak at the meeting but may not vote.

Balvinder Heran

Chief Executive

Dated: 21st January, 2026

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