



Meeting of the Cabinet

**Thursday, 24th March, 2022 at 6.00pm
in Committee Room 2
at the Council House, Priory Road, Dudley**

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. To confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 17th February, 2022 as a correct record
4. Capital Programme Monitoring (Pages 1 - 18)
5. Gender Pay Gap Report 2021 Snap Shot Date 31st March 2021 (Pages 19 – 36)
6. Equality Strategy 2022-25 (Pages 37 – 50)
7. Scale of Fees and Charges for Borough Council Elections (Pages 51 - 55)
8. Extra Care Provision/Development in Dudley (Pages 56 - 65)
9. Update on the Towns Fund Bid (Pages 66 - 84)
10. To report on any issues arising from Scrutiny Committees
11. 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)
12. 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)**

13. Dudley's Temporary Workforce Project (Pages 85 - 152) - The report contains exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

Distribution:

Members of the Cabinet:

Councillor P Harley (Leader – Chair)

Councillors N Barlow, R Buttery, S Clark, I Kettle, S Keasey, S Phipps, K Shakespeare and L Taylor-Childs

Opposition Group Members nominated to attend meetings of the Cabinet:

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Chief Executive

Dated: 16th March, 2022

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