

MEETING OF THE CABINET – 28TH OCTOBER, 2009

NOTICE OF DECISIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Cabinet, at its meeting held on the 28th October, 2009, made the decisions indicated in respect of the items listed:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Decision</u>
Minutes	That the minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on the 9 th September, 2009 be approved as a correct record and signed.
Corporate Property Policy: 2009 - 2014	That the draft Corporate Property Policy 2009 – 2014, be approved.
Capital Programme Monitoring	<ol style="list-style-type: none">(1) That the current progress with the 2009/10 Capital Programme, as set out in Appendix A to the report submitted to the meeting, be noted.(2) That the results of the Post Completion Review of capital projects, as set out in Appendix B to the report submitted to the meeting, be noted.(3) That the Director of Adult, Community and Housing Services be authorised to bid for Social Housing Grant, as set out in paragraph 5 of the report submitted to the meeting.(4) That a Compulsory Purchase Order(s) be made pursuant to Section 226(1) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) for the acquisition of land at Castle Hill, Dudley, for the purposes of regenerating the Castle Hill site, as set out in urgent decision sheet ref. DUE/56/2009 and paragraph 8 of the report submitted to the meeting.(5) That the Council be recommended:-<ol style="list-style-type: none">(a) That subject to the bid for Social Housing Grant being successful, the project to build new Council Homes be included in the Capital Programme, as set out in paragraph 5 of the report submitted to the meeting.

- (b) That the extra works relating to the refurbishment of the Lister Road Garage Toilets at a cost of £20,000 be approved, and the Capital Programme amended accordingly, as set out in paragraph 6 of the report submitted to the meeting.
- (c) That the drainage works at the former Council landfill site at Mucklow Hill at a cost of £100,000 be approved, and included in the Capital Programme, as set out in paragraph 7 of the report submitted to the meeting.
- (d) That, subject to funding being available, the acquisition of land at Castle Hill by the Council be included in the Capital Programme, as set out in paragraph 8 of the report submitted to the meeting.
- (e) That the Schools Travel Plan Grant funding of £76,000 be noted, and the associated expenditure be included in the Capital Programme, as set out in paragraph 9 of the report submitted to the meeting.
- (f) That the Integrated Children's Systems Grant funding of £65,000 be noted, and the associated expenditure be included in the Capital Programme, as set out in paragraph 10 of the report submitted to the meeting.
- (g) That the additional Play Pathfinder funding allocation of £17,000 be noted, and the associated expenditure be included in the Capital Programme, as set out in paragraph 11 of the report submitted to the meeting.
- (h) That a Multi Use Games Area be constructed as part of the new Coseley Youth Centre, at a cost of £65,000, and the Capital Programme amended accordingly, as set out in paragraph 12 of the report submitted to the meeting.

- (i) That the £13,000 of remaining funding from the capital project to install an infill roof at Dudley Market be used to carry out necessary improvement works on obsolete electrical supplies feeding the Market, and to purchase enhanced ICT equipment for collection of Market tolls, as set out in paragraph 13 of the report submitted to the meeting.
- (j) That the Offender – Based Interventions funding allocation of £33,000 be noted, and that the related expenditure be included in the Capital Programme, as set out in paragraph 14 of the report submitted to the meeting.
- (k) That the expenditure of a further £9,000 on Contingency and Disaster Management Accommodation be approved, and the Capital Programme amended accordingly, as set out in paragraph 15 of the report submitted to the meeting.

16 – 19 Funding Transfer – the Black Country Sub-regional Group Proposal

That the proposed Sub-regional Group governance arrangements and structures, as outlined in the report submitted to the meeting, be agreed.

Annual Review of the Constitution

That the Council be recommended:-

- (1) That the annual review of the Constitution be noted.
- (2) That the Interim Director of Law, Property and Human Resources continue to monitor and review the Scheme of Delegation and Responsibility for Functions, as referred to in paragraph 8 of the report submitted to the meeting.
- (3) That the two proposed ward name changes, as referred to in paragraph 10 of the report submitted to the meeting, be formally pursued as soon as possible.
- (4) That a decision on the Council's future Executive Arrangements, as referred to in paragraphs 12 and 13, be made by the Council prior to 31st December, 2009.

- (5) That the Councillor Call for Action procedure, as referred to in paragraph 24 and Appendix 1 to the report submitted to the meeting, be approved and the Interim Director of Law, Property and Human Resources be authorised to make the necessary amendments to the Constitution.
- (6) That the arrangements to integrate the scrutiny of the Local Area Agreement and partner organisations into the existing working arrangements of the five Select Committees, as referred to in paragraph 34, be approved and the Interim Director of Law, Property and Human Resources be authorised to make any consequential amendments to the Constitution.
- (7) That the amendments to the Protocol for Area Committees, as set out in paragraph 36 of the report submitted to the meeting, be approved.
- (8) That a further report be submitted in due course on any necessary revisions to the Constitution once the provisions outlined in the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Bill are enacted.

Transforming Social Care:
The Resource Allocation
System

- (1) That the progress made with implementing Self-directed Support, be noted.
- (2) That a single Resource Allocation System across all client groups, as set out in paragraphs 19 – 35 of the report submitted to the meeting, be approved.
- (3) That the proposals to pilot the Resource Allocation System with a limited sample of new cases, be noted.
- (4) That delegated authority be given to the Director of Adult, Community and Housing Services to agree the final version of the Resource Allocation System following evaluation of the pilot.

- (5) That the public consultation on proposed changes to the Council's charging policy with a further report to Cabinet in February 2010, be approved.

Care Quality Commission
Service Inspection of Adult
Social Care 2009

That the Care Quality Commission Report be noted and the Action Plan supported.

Proposed Dudley Mosque
and Community Training and
Enterprise Centre

- (1) That the report be noted.
- (2) That the Chief Executive be authorised to have further discussions with the Management Committee of Dudley Mosque and then submit a report to a future meeting of the Cabinet.

Annual Review of Equality
and Diversity 2009

That the annual review of equality and diversity for 2009, be approved.

Building Schools for the
Future – Readiness to
Deliver Supporting Statement

- (1) That the progress made to date on developing the Building Schools for the Future submission, be noted.
- (2) That the work to be undertaken next, be endorsed.

Exclusion of the Public

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>Description of Item</u>	<u>Relevant paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 12A</u>
The Connexions Service in Dudley	1 and 3
Staffing Issue - Directorate of the Urban Environment	1
Staffing Issue - Directorate of the Urban Environment	1 and 2

Staffing Issue – 1 and 2
Directorate of Children's
Services

Staffing Issue – 1
Directorate of Adult,
Community and
Housing Services

The Connexions Service in
Dudley

That in the interests of securing arrangements that provide both fitness for purpose and maximum efficiency, and in view of the time restraints,

- (a) The continuing exploration of all three options summarised in the report submitted to the meeting, be approved.
- (b) That authorisation be given to the Director of Children's Services and the Interim Director of Finance, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Children's Services, the Cabinet Member for Finance, and the Opposition Spokesperson for Children's Services, to make all necessary decisions (including the letting of contracts and entering into agreements) in order to facilitate the continuing effective provision of the Connexions Service with effect from 1st April, 2010, or an earlier date should that become necessary.

Staffing Issues - Directorate
of the Urban Environment

That the termination of the contract of employment of the officers referred to in the report submitted to the meeting be approved, on the grounds of redundancy, in accordance with the terms and conditions set out in the report.

Staffing Issues - Directorate
of the Urban Environment

- (1) That the restructuring proposals, as set out in the report submitted to the meeting, be approved.
- (2) That the termination of the contract of employment of the officer referred to in the report submitted to the meeting be approved, on the grounds of voluntary redundancy, in accordance with the terms and conditions set out in the report.
- (3) That the submission of future reports to deliver sustainable management structures, be approved.

Staffing Issues – Directorate of Children’s Services	That the termination of the contract of employment of the officer referred to in the report submitted to the meeting be approved, on the grounds of redundancy, in accordance with the terms and conditions set out in the report.
Staffing Issues – Directorate of Adult, Community and Housing Services	That the termination of the contract of employment of the officers referred to in the report submitted to the meeting be approved, on the grounds of redundancy, in accordance with the terms and conditions set out in the report.

The details of each of the above items are set out in the reports submitted to the meeting of the Cabinet. Copies of the public reports may be obtained from Democratic Services in the Directorate of Law, Property and Human Resources (contact 01384 815236 or e-mail richard.sanders@dudley.gov.uk or on the Committee Management Information System on the Council’s Website www.dudley.gov.uk and follow the links to Council Decisions/Committee Information.

Except where matters have been referred to the Council, the decisions will come into force, and may then be implemented, on the expiry of five working days of the 30th October, 2009, unless a Select Committee objects to a decision and calls it in.

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Dated: 30th October, 2009
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