

DUDLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council to be held at the Council House, Priory Road, Dudley on Monday, 24th July, 2006 at 6.00 pm for the purpose of transacting the business set out in the agenda below.

John Poyellis

DIRECTOR OF LAW AND PROPERTY

14th July, 2006

AGENDA

PRAYERS

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
2. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT.
3. MINUTES

TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON THE 18TH MAY, 2006 (PAGES CL/ 1 - CL/ 14).
4. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS
5. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM MEETINGS AS FOLLOWS:

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	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
(a) Meeting of the Cabinet held on 14 th June, 2006 Councillor Caunt to move:		
(i) Best Value Performance Plan 2006	1	3
(ii) Capital Programme Monitoring	4	13

(iii)	Members' Allowances Scheme	14	20
(iv)	Revision of Contract Standing Orders	21	22
Councillor Evans to move:			
(v)	Review of Housing Finance	23	25
(b)	Meeting of the Standards Committee held on 22 nd June, 2006 On behalf of the Chairman of the Committee, The Bishop of Dudley, Councillor Caunt to move:		
(i)	Members' Planning Code of Good Practice	26	44
(ii)	Annual Report – Members' Code of Conduct	45	55

6. NOTICE OF MOTION:-

To consider the following Notice of Motion, received from Councillor M Davis on 8th June, 2006:

“That this Council recalls the decision of the Cabinet on the 21st September, 2005 to develop and introduce a system of choice based lettings in Dudley.

Within the future housing policy the Council requests the Cabinet, in consultation with and the Select Committee on the Environment, to develop a system which reflects “local loyalty”. The aim of this would be to give priority to local residents when allocating housing accommodation in the borough in so far as the law permits.

It is also requested that, within the law, we safeguard the loyalty of long term tenancies by looking at the passing of tenancies to members of the family who have used that home as a continual means of residency over a substantial period and that tenants in this respect will not be discharged from their home on the death of their parents or partner”.

7. TO CONSIDER THE ANNUAL REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES, AS FOLLOWS:-

Councillor Southall to move:

- (a) Annual Report of the former Select Committee on Culture and Recreation
(Pages 56 - 59)

Councillor Mrs Ridney to move:

- (b) Annual Report of the former Select Committee on Lifelong Learning
(Pages 60 - 63)
- 8. TO CONSIDER THE REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF LAW AND PROPERTY ON THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE CABINET AND CERTAIN COMMITTEES AND OUTSIDE BODIES (PAGES 64 - 66)
- 9. TO ANSWER QUESTIONS UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 11.
- 10. TO CONSIDER ANY BUSINESS NOT ON THE AGENDA WHICH BY REASON OF SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES THE MAYOR IS OF THE OPINION SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AT THE MEETING AS A MATTER OF URGENCY UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 100(B)(4) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972.