



Meeting of the Cabinet

**Thursday, 28th October, 2021 at 6.00pm
in Committee Rooms 1 and 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 23rd September, 2021 as a correct record
4. Capital Programme Monitoring (Pages 1 - 18)
5. Revenue Monitoring 2021/22 (Pages 19 - 28)
6. Review of Housing Finance (Pages 29 - 52)
7. Approving Amendments to the Black Country Executive Joint Committee Collaboration Agreement (Pages 53 - 111)
8. To report on any issues arising from Scrutiny Committees
9. 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)

Distribution:

Members of the Cabinet:

Councillor P Harley (Leader – Chair)

Councillor D Vickers (Deputy Leader – Vice-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:

All Shadow Cabinet Members are invited to attend Cabinet meetings (to speak but not vote)





Chief Executive

Dated: 20th October, 2021

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