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Dear Councillor

MEETING OF THE CABINET – WEDNESDAY, 21st MARCH, 2007

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Cabinet to be held on Wednesday, 21st March, 2007 at 6.00pm in the Council Chamber at the Council House, Dudley to consider the business set out in the agenda below.

A Committee tea will be available for Members in the Members' Dining Room from 4.30pm. Please inform Richard Sanders on the telephone number above at least 48 hours before the meeting if a meal is not required or if a vegetarian or special dietary meal is required.

The agenda and reports for this meeting can be viewed on the Council's website www.dudley.gov.uk (Follow the links to Council Decision Making and Committee Information).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Poyce".

Director of Law and Property

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.

2. CHANGES IN REPRESENTATION OF MINORITY GROUP MEMBERS

To report any changes in the representation of Minority Group Members at this meeting.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations of interest, in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct.

4. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 12th February, 2007 (copy attached).

STRATEGIC, POLICY AND PERFORMANCE ISSUES

5. COMPREHENSIVE PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT 2006 (PAGES 1- 5)

To consider the report of the Chief Executive.

6. COUNCIL PLAN REVIEW 2007/10 (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 6 - 11)

To consider the report of the Chief Executive.

7. DUDLEY BOROUGH ECONOMIC STRATEGY 2007/08 (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 12- 23)

To consider the report of the Director of the Urban Environment.

8. DRAFT EQUALITY SCHEME (PAGES 24 - 94)

To consider the report of the Director of Law and Property.

9. APPROVAL FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE 'PARKING STANDARDS AND TRAVEL PLANS' SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 95 - 111)

To consider the report of the Director of the Urban Environment.

10. APPROVAL FOR ADOPTION OF THE SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT FOR NEW HOUSING DEVELOPMENT – 'A GUIDE TO ESTABLISHING URBAN CONTEXT' (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 112 - 115)

To consider the report of the Director of the Urban Environment.

11. QUARTERLY CORPORATE PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT REPORT (PAGES 116 - 117)

To consider the report of the Chief Executive.

FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

12. CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING AND BIDS FOR EXTERNAL FUNDING (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 118 - 125)

To consider the joint report of the Chief Executive and Director of Finance.

SERVICE RELATED CORPORATE ISSUES

13. RESIDENTIAL CARE OF PEOPLE WITH A LEARNING DISABILITY (KEY DECISION) (PAGES 126 - 131)

To consider the report of Director of Adult Community and Housing Services.

14. ISSUES ARISING FROM SELECT COMMITTEES (IF ANY)

PRIVATE SESSION

In accordance with Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972, the Proper Officer has determined that there will be no advanced disclosure of the following reports because the public interest in disclosing the information set out in the following items is outweighed by the public interest in maintaining the exemption from disclosure.

15. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

To consider the adoption of the following resolution:-

That the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item 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>Agenda Item Number(s)</u>	<u>Description of Item</u>	<u>Relevant paragraph of Part 1 and Schedule 12A</u>
16.	Discretionary Compensation Arrangements – Redundancy and Early Retirement.	1
17.	Termination of Contracts on the Grounds of Redundancy – Primary Review.	1

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| 18 and 19. | Directorate of Finance, ICT and Procurement – Human Resource Issues | 1 |
| 20 | Request for Voluntary Severance | 1 |
16. DISCRETIONARY COMPENSATION ARRANGEMENTS – REDUNDANCY AND EARLY RETIREMENT (PAGES 132 - 137)
- To consider the report of the Chief Executive.
17. TERMINATION OF CONTRACTS ON THE GROUNDS OF REDUNDANCY – PRIMARY REVIEW (PAGES 138 - 142)
- To consider the report of the Director of Children’s Services.
18. DIRECTORATE OF FINANCE, ICT AND PROCUREMENT – HUMAN RESOURCE ISSUES (PAGES 143 - 151)
- To consider the report of the Director of Finance.
19. DIRECTORATE OF FINANCE, ICT AND PROCUREMENT – HUMAN RESOURCE ISSUES (PAGES 152 - 154)
- To consider the report of the Director of Finance.
- 20 REQUEST FOR VOLUNTARY SEVERANCE (PAGES 155 - 157)
- To consider the joint report of the Chief Executive and Director of Adult, Community and Housing Services

To: All Members of the Cabinet:

Councillors Adams, Caunt, Evans, Fraser-Macnamara, Knowles, Mrs Martin, Miller, Mrs Millward, Mrs Shakespeare and Mrs Walker.

Minority Group Members nominated to attend meetings of the Cabinet:

Councillors Ali, Crumpton, G H Davies, Ms Foster, Male (substitute for Councillor Ms Partridge), Mrs Ridney, Sparks (Labour Group) and Councillor Tyler (Liberal Democrat Group).
c.c Councillor Ms Partridge (for information)