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# Cabinet

# Agenda

**Thursday, 25th September 2008**  
**6:00 pm**  
**The Earl Baldwin Suite**  
**Duke House,**  
**Clensmore Street,**  
**Kidderminster**



## Cabinet

### **The Cabinet Members and their responsibilities:-**

<b>Councillor J-P Campion</b>	<b>Leader of the Council</b>
<b>Councillor M J Hart</b>	<b>Deputy Leader, Leisure Services</b>
<b>Councillor S J M Clew</b>	<b>Regeneration &amp; Enterprise</b>
<b>Councillor N J Desmond</b>	<b>Community &amp; Corporate Services</b>
<b>Councillor Mrs A T Hingley</b>	<b>Housing, Health &amp; Rural Affairs</b>
<b>Councillor Mrs T L Onslow</b>	<b>Operational Services</b>

### **SCRUTINY OF DECISIONS OF THE CABINET**

The Council has three Scrutiny Committees that have power to investigate policy issues and question members of the Cabinet who have special responsibility for a particular area of the Council's activities. The Cabinet also considers recommendations from these Committees.

In accordance with Part 4 of the Council's Constitution, Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules, and Standing Order B4, any item on this agenda may be scrutinised by the Scrutiny Committees if it is "called in" by the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Corporate Services Scrutiny Committee and any other three non-Cabinet members.

*The deadline for "calling in" Cabinet decisions is Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2008.*

Councillors wishing to "call in" a decision on this agenda should contact Diana Glendenning, Committee Officer, Civic Centre, Stourport-on-Severn. Telephone: 01562 732763 or email [diana.glendenning@wyreforestdc.gov.uk](mailto:diana.glendenning@wyreforestdc.gov.uk)

### **Urgent Key Decisions**

If the Cabinet needs to take an urgent key decision, the consent of the Scrutiny Committee Chairman must be obtained. If the Scrutiny Committee Chairman is unable to act the Chairman of the Council or in his/her absence the Vice-Chairman of the Council, must give consent. Such decisions will not be the subject to the call in procedure.

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - GUIDANCE NOTE**

Code of Conduct - Members are reminded that under the Code of Conduct it is the responsibility of individual Members to declare any personal or personal and prejudicial interest in any item on this agenda. A Member who declares a personal interest may take part in the meeting and vote, unless the interest is also prejudicial. If the interest is prejudicial, as defined in the Code, the Member must leave the room. However, Members with a prejudicial interest can still participate if a prescribed exception applies or a dispensation has been granted.


Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 - If any Member is two months or more in arrears with a Council Tax payment, they may not vote on any matter which might affect the calculation of the Council Tax, any limitation of it, its administration or related penalties or enforcement.

### **For further information: -**


If you have any queries about this Agenda or require any details of background papers, further documents or information you should contact Diana Glendenning, Principal Committee Officer, Civic Centre, Stourport-on-Severn. Telephone: 01562 732763 or email [diana.glendenning@wyreforestdc.gov.uk](mailto:diana.glendenning@wyreforestdc.gov.uk)

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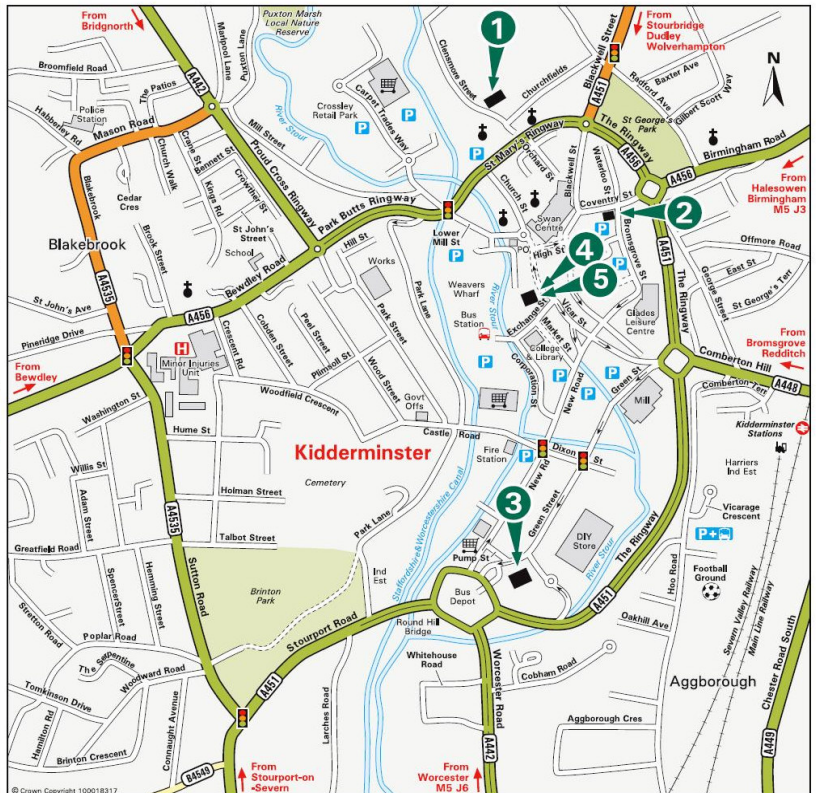
# LOCATION MAP FOR DUKE HOUSE



**WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL**



- 1** Duke House & Earl Baldwin Suite  
Clensmore Street  
Kidderminster  
Worcestershire DY10 2JX
- 2** Coventry Street  
99 Coventry Street  
Kidderminster  
Worcestershire DY10 2BL
- 3** Green Street  
Kidderminster  
Worcestershire DY10 1HA
- 4** Worcestershire Hub  
Vicar Street  
Kidderminster  
Worcestershire DY10 1DB
- 5** Kidderminster Town Hall  
Vicar Street  
Kidderminster  
Worcestershire DY10 1DA



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Part 1

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Agenda item	Subject	Page Number
1.	<b>Apologies for Absence</b>	
2.	<b>Declarations Of Interest</b>  In accordance with the Code of Conduct, to invite Members to declare the existence and nature of any personal or personal and prejudicial interests in the following agenda items. Members should indicate the action they will be taking when the item is considered.  Members are also invited to make any declaration in relation to Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.  (See guidance note on cover.)	
3.	<b>Minutes</b>  To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on the 21st August 2008. <a href="#">Minutes 21st August 2008</a>	<b>1-6</b>
4.	<b>CALL INS</b> a verbal update will be given on any decisions which have been “called in” since the last meeting of the Cabinet.	
5.	<b>Items Requiring Urgent Attention</b>  Any item which, in the opinion of the Chairman requires consideration at the meeting as a matter of urgency.	
6.	<b>Public Participation</b>  In accordance with the Council's Scheme for Public Speaking at Meetings of Full Council/Cabinet, to allow members of the public to present petitions, ask questions, or make statements, details of which have been received by 9 am on . (See front cover for contact details).	

<b>7.</b>	<b>Leader of the Council</b>	<b>John-Paul Campion</b>
<b>7.1</b>	<b>Leader's Announcements</b>	
<b>7.2</b>	<p><b>Wyre Forest Matters Progress and Achievements</b></p> <p>To consider a report from the Head of Community &amp; Partnership Services advising Members of the work of Wyre Forest Matters during the past 12 months.</p> <p><a href="#">Wyre Forest Matters Progress Report</a></p>	<b>7 – 12</b>
<b>7.3</b>	<p><b>Report on Budget Monitoring Action Plan</b></p> <p>To consider a report from the Head of Financial Services updating the Members on the plans in relation to budget monitoring following the Quarter 1 Budget Monitoring report.</p> <p><a href="#">Budget Monitoring Action Plan</a></p>	<b>13 – 16</b>
<b>8.</b>	<b>Community &amp; Corporate Services</b>	<b>Nathan Desmond</b>
<b>8.1</b>	<p><b>Worcestershire Hub – Strategic Direction</b></p> <p>To consider a report from the Head of Personnel and Corporate Services that updates Cabinet of the proposed development of the vision and business case for the future strategic direction of the Worcestershire hub.</p> <p><a href="#">Worcestershire Hub Strategic Direction</a></p>	<b>17 – 24</b>
<b>9.</b>	<b>Housing, Health and Rural Affairs</b>	<b>Anne Hingley</b>
<b>9.1</b>	<p><b>Smoke-Free – The First 12 Months</b></p> <p>To consider a report from the Head of Planning, Health and Environment that reviews the first 12 months of Smoke Free legislation.</p> <p><a href="#">Cabinet 25 9 08 Smoke Free The First 12 Months</a></p>	<b>25 – 30</b>
<b>9.2</b>	<p><b>Wyre Forest Empty Property Strategy Refresh</b></p> <p>To consider a report from the Head of Planning, Health &amp; Environment presenting Members with a refreshed Empty Property Strategy for 2008 – 2011.</p> <p><a href="#">Wyre Forest Empty Property Strategy Refresh</a>  <a href="#">Wyre Forest Empty Property Strategy 2008-2011</a></p>	<b>31 – 34</b>

<b>10</b>	<b><i>Regeneration and Enterprise</i></b>	<b><i>Stephen Clee</i></b>
<b>10.1</b>	<b>Housing and Planning Delivery Grant 2008 Award</b>  To consider a report from the Head of Planning, Health & Environment advising of the new Housing & Planning delivery Grant award for 2008/09. <a href="#">Housing and Planning Delivery Grant 2008 09</a>	<b>35 – 38</b>
<b>11.</b>	<b><i>Recommendations from Scrutiny Committees</i></b>	
<b>11.1</b>	<b>Recommendations from Corporate Services Scrutiny Committee</b>  <b>Re: Customer Services Review</b> <a href="#">Recommendation Corp Services</a>	<b>39</b>
<b>12.</b>	<b>To consider any other business, details of which have been communicated to the Head of Legal and Democratic Services before the commencement of the meeting, which the Chairman by reason of special circumstances considers to be of so urgent a nature that it cannot wait until the next meeting.</b>	
<b>13.</b>	<b>Exclusion of the Press and Public</b>  To consider passing the following resolution:  “That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of “exempt information” as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act”.	

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<b>14.</b>	To consider any other business, details of which have been communicated to the Head of Legal and Democratic Services before the commencement of the meeting, which the Chairman by reason of special circumstances considers to be of so urgent a nature that it cannot wait until the next meeting.	
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