

Exempt

Cabinet

Agenda

6:00pm
Tuesday, 16th February 2010
The Earl Baldwin Suite
Duke House, Clensmore Street, Kidderminster



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The Cabinet Members and their responsibilities:-

Councillor J-P Campion	Leader of the Council
Councillor M J Hart	Deputy Leader, Community & Partnership Services
Councillor S J M Clee	Planning & Economic Regeneration
Councillor N J Desmond	Resources
Councillor Mrs A T Hingley	Legal & Corporate Services
Councillor Mrs T L Onslow	Housing & Environmental Services

SCRUTINY OF DECISIONS OF THE CABINET

The Council has two 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 Resources Scrutiny Committee and any other three non-Cabinet members.

The deadline for "calling in" Cabinet decisions is Wednesday 24th February 2010.

Councillors wishing to "call in" a decision on this agenda should contact Diana Glendenning, Principal Committee Officer, Civic Centre, Stourport-on-Severn. Telephone: 01562 732763 or email 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 Documents referred to in this agenda may be viewed on the Council's website - www.wyreforestdc.gov.uk/council/meetings/main.htm

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Part 1

Open to the press and public

Agenda item	Subject	Page Number
1.	Apologies for Absence	
2.	Declarations of Interest 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.	Minutes To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on the 19th January 2010. Minutes 19th January 2010	6
4.	CALL-INS A verbal update will be given on any decisions which have been "called in" since the last meeting of the Cabinet.	
5.	Items Requiring Urgent Attention Any item which, in the opinion of the Chairman requires consideration at the meeting as a matter of urgency.	
6.	Public Participation 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 Friday 12 th February 2010. (See front cover for contact details).	

7.	Leader of the Council	John-Paul Champion
7.1	Leader's Announcements	

8.	Resources	Nathan Desmond
8.1	<p>Proposed Financial Strategy 2010/13</p> <p>To consider reports from the Director of Resources concerning:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Final Recommendations to Council on Financial Strategy (b) Summary of Budget Consultation (c) Report of the Head of Financial Services in respect of Section 25 – 28 of the Local Government Act 2003. <p><i>(Reports to follow)</i></p>	
8.2	<p>Budget Monitoring Third Quarter 2009/2010</p> <p>To consider a report from the Director of Resources that asks the Cabinet to monitor the Revenue Budget and Capital Programme in accordance with the Local Government Act 2003 and Comprehensive Area Assessment (CAA) guidelines.</p> <p><i>The appendices to this report have been circulated electronically and a public inspection copy is available on request. (See front cover for details).</i></p> <p>Agenda item 8 2 Budget Monitoring Report 3rd Quarter Agenda Item 8 2 appendices</p>	12
8.3	<p>The Prudential System of Local Government Finance and the Treasury Management Policy and Strategy Report 2010/2011</p> <p>To consider a report from the Director of Resources that seeks approval for the Council's Investment Policy and Strategy for the financial year 2010/2011 which sets out the Council's criteria for choosing investment counterparties and limiting exposure to the risk of loss.</p> <p>Agenda Item 8 3 Treasury management report Agenda Item 8 3 Appendices 1-9</p> <p><i>The appendices to this report have been circulated electronically and a public inspection copy is available on request. (See front cover for details).</i></p>	18

9.	Housing & Environmental Services	Tracey Onslow
9.1	<p>Re-Commissioning of Home Improvement Agency Services</p> <p>To consider a report from the Director of Planning and Regulatory Services that updates Members and asks them to agree on the proposal to recommission the current Care & Repair agency services (also known as Home Improvement Agency (HIA) Services) in partnership with Worcestershire County Council, Supporting People, the Worcestershire PCT and the six District Councils.</p> <p>Agenda Item 9 1 Recommissioning of HIA Services Agenda Item 9 1 Appendices</p> <p><i>The appendices to this report have been circulated electronically and a public inspection copy is available on request. (See front cover for details).</i></p>	38

10.	Recommendations from Scrutiny Committees	
10.1	<p>Recommendations from the Corporate Resources Scrutiny Committee meeting 11th February 2010</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Workforce Plan (Report to follow) 	

11.	<p>To consider any other business, details of which have been communicated to the Director of Legal and Corporate 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.</p>	
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12.	<p>Exclusion of the Press and Public</p> <p>To consider passing the following resolution:</p> <p>“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”.</p>	
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Part 2

Not open to the Press and Public

13.	Legal and Corporate Services	Anne Hingley
13.1	<p>Bewdley Town Centre Regeneration Project</p> <p>To consider a report from the Director of Legal and Corporate Services that seeks Members’ approval for the sale of land in Bewdley as part of the proposed Bewdley Town Centre Regeneration Project.</p> <p>Agenda Item 13 1 Bewdley Town Centre Regeneration Project</p>	46