Wyre Forest District Council

Council Meeting

Wednesday 26th November 2008

The Council Chamber, Stourport on Severn

Part 1

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

Open to the Press and Public

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| 1. | Prayers To be said by Reverend Mary Austin of Trinity Methodist Church Kidderminster and Broadwaters | - |
| 2. | Apologies for absence | - |
| 3. | 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 Local Government Finance Act 1992. Please refer to the guidance on the first page of the agenda. | - |
| 4. | Minutes To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the Council meeting held on 16 th July 2008. To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the Council meeting held on 8 th September 2008 | 7 17 |
| 5. | Public Participation In accordance with Council's scheme for public speaking at meetings of Council, to allow members of the public to present petitions, ask questions, or make statements, details of which have been received by 9am, <i>Monday 24th November 2008</i> . Please refer to the front cover for contact details | - |

| _ | Overtions | |
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| 6. | Questions To receive questions submitted in accordance with Standing Order A5 by Members of the Council, details of which have been received by 9am, <i>Monday 24th November 2008</i> , and the replies of the Leader of the Council or appropriate Cabinet Member. | - |
| 7. | Chairman's Communications To receive a list of functions attended by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman since the previous meeting of the Council and such verbal communications as the Chairman of the Council may desire to put before the Council, which are not already included in the agenda. | 21 |
| 8. | Leader of the Council Announcements and Reports To receive announcements and any matters for report from the Leader of the Council | - |
| 9. | Recommendations from Cabinet Recommendations from the Cabinet meeting of 24 th July 2008 Natural Environment & Rural Communities Act 2006. Section 40 Duty to conserve Biodiversity. West Midlands Biodiversity Pledge. 21 st August 2008 Review of Travel Token conditions Safeguarding Children Policy 5 th September 2008 Wyre Forest Empty Property Refresh Free Swimming Initiative, Wyre Forest District Council 23 rd October 2008 Report on Treasury Management Houses in Multiple Occupation Policy Refresh Review of Residential Caravan Site Licence Model Conditions Church street Conservation Area – Draft Conservation Area Character Appraisal Single Equality Scheme Wyre Forest District Rural Economic strategy 20 th November 2008 (in anticipation of a decision of Cabinet) Revised Partnership Framework | 27 |
| | Adoption of a Revised Corporate Health and Safety Policy | |

| | Free Swimming, Wyre Forest District Council West Midlands Regional Spatial Strategy Phase Two Revision Draft Submitted Proposals Wyre Forest District Local Development Framework Recovering Disabled Facility Grants Through Property Charges | |
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| | Please note that the reports and associated documents, referred to above, have been circulated electronically to Members. Public inspection copies are available on request. Please refer to the front cover for contact details | |
| 10. | Motions submitted under Standing Order D1(1) One Motion has been received in accordance with Standing Order No D1(1) | 39 |
| 11. | Urgent Motions submitted under Stand Order D1(7) To consider motions in the order the have been received which, by reason of special circumstances, should be considered as a matter of urgency, in accordance with Standing Order D1(7) | - |
| 12. | Ethics and Standards Committee To appoint a Chair and Vice Chair to the Ethics and Standards Committee. | 41 |
| 13. | Urgent Decisions Made outside the Budget and Policy | |
| | Framework To report urgent decisions made by the Leader of the Councils required by Rule 6 of the Budget and Policy Framework Procedure Rules and Part 4 of the Councils Constitution. • Flood Hardship Grants, and • Proposed Closure of Post Offices | 43 |
| 14. | Constitutional Updates | |
| 17. | To ask for Councils agreement to amend the constitution. | 49 |
| 15. | Exclusion of the press and public To consider passing the following resolution to exclude the press and public from the meeting during consideration of items containing 'exempt information'. | |
| | Decision Under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of 'exempt information' as defined in the paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act. | |

Part 2

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| 16. | Minutes To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the Council meeting held in private on 16 th July 2008. | 63 |
| 17. | 23 rd October Wyre Forest Community Housing Services Contract Renewal. | 67 |
| 18. | 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. | - |