

# Wyre Forest District Council

## Council Meeting

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2009

The Council Chamber, Stourport on Severn

### Part 1

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

Open to the Press and Public

Agenda item	Subject	Page Number
1.	<b>Prayers</b> To be said by Reverend Linda Catlow of Wesley Methodist, Stourport, Alveley & Callow Hill & Areley Kings Methodist Churches.	-
2.	<b>Apologies for absence</b>	-
3.	<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 Local Government Finance Act 1992. Please refer to the guidance on the first page of the agenda.	-
4.	<b>Minutes</b> To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the Council meeting held on 26 <sup>th</sup> November 2008. <a href="#">Agenda Item 4 Minutes 26 Nov 08</a>	8

The Divisional Restructuring Report is an integral part of Item 13 – Budget Proposals 2009/2012 and needs to be resolved in Part 2, exempt session because of individual identities and negotiations. The Single Site Report and exempt minutes will also be taken.

Part 1 of the agenda will be resumed at Item 8 and the remainder of the Budget Proposals will be taken in open session at Item 13.

<b>5.</b>	<p><b>Exclusion of the press and public</b> To consider passing the following resolution to exclude the press and public from the meeting during consideration of items containing 'exempt information'.</p> <p><b>Decision</b> <b>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 paragraphs 1,2,3 and 4 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.</b></p>	-
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## Part 2

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<b>6.</b>	<p><b>Minutes</b> To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the Council meeting held in private on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2008. <a href="#">Agenda item 6 Exempt mins 26.11.02</a></p>	<b>26</b>
<b>7.</b>	<p><b>Recommendations from Cabinet</b></p> <p>22<sup>nd</sup> January 2009</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Divisional Management Restructuring – Transformational Change</li> </ul> <p>19<sup>th</sup> February 2009</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Single Site (Report to follow)</li> </ul> <p><a href="#">Agenda item 7 exempt cabinet recs</a></p>	<b>28</b>

**There will be a short break of 5 minutes before resuming Part 1 of the Agenda**

## Part 1 - Resumed

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<b>8.</b>	<p><b>Public Participation</b> 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, <b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2009</b>. Please refer to the front cover for contact details</p> <p><b>1. Petition - Paving Slabs at All Saints Avenue and Wassell Drive.</b> To receive a petition submitted by Councillor Akathiotis</p>	-
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	<p>containing 12 signatures regarding the paving slabs at All Saints Avenue and Wassell Drive.</p> <p><b>2. Petition - Street Lighting at All Saints Avenue and Wassell Drive.</b> To receive a petition from Councillor Akathiotis containing 12 signatures regarding the street lighting along All Saints Avenue and Wassell Drive.</p>	
<b>9.</b>	<p><b>Questions</b> To receive questions submitted in accordance with Standing Order A5 by Members of the Council, details of which have been received by 9am, <b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2009</b>, and the replies of the Leader of the Council or appropriate Cabinet Member.</p>	-
<b>10.</b>	<p><b>Chairman's Communications</b> 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.</p>	-
<b>11.</b>	<p><b>Leader of the Council Announcements</b> To receive announcements from the Leader of the Council.</p>	-
<b>12.</b>	<p><b>Recommendations from Cabinet</b> Recommendations from the Cabinet meeting of</p> <p><b>18<sup>th</sup> December 2008</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Worcestershire Substance Misuse Strategy</li> </ul> <p><b>22<sup>nd</sup> January 2009</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Worcestershire Sustainable Community Strategy 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition 2008 – 2013</li> </ul> <p><b>19<sup>th</sup> February 2009 (Report to Follow)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amendment of the Council's Policy relating to the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000</li> <li>• Air Quality Strategy</li> <li>• Annual Report on Licences Issued Under the Licensing Act 2003</li> <li>• Safeguarding Children Policy 2009 – 2011</li> <li>• Wyre Forest Public Realm and Streetscene (Control of Street Furniture) Policy</li> </ul> <p>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.</p> <p><a href="#">Agenda item 12 Recs from Cabinet</a></p>	<b>30</b>

13.	<p><b>Budget Proposals 2009/2012</b> To approve the Council's budget for 2009/2012 having considered the proposed decision and budget reports recommended to Council by Cabinet on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2009. <i>(report to follow)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Three Year Budget and Policy Framework 2009/2012</li> <li>• Capital Programme 2009/2010 onwards</li> <li>• Base Budget Variations</li> <li>• Comprehensive Spending Review Efficiency Gains 2008/2009, 2009/2010 – 2011/2012</li> <li>• Risk Management and the Budget Process</li> <li>• Income Service Options 2009/2010</li> <li>• Prudential Indicators</li> <li>• Treasury Management Strategy report 2009/10</li> </ul> <p><i>Members are asked to bring to the meeting their Financial Strategy 2009/2012, (Green Budget Book). A public copy will be available on request.</i></p>	-
14.	<p><b>Council Tax 2009/2010</b> To consider and approve the formal resolution for setting the Council Tax for 2009/2010. This will be subject to the formal setting of precepts by Worcestershire County Council, West Mercia Police Authority, and Hereford and Worcester Fire Authority.</p> <p>As the Council's precept setting takes place after the issue of this agenda, the proposed resolution will follow.</p>	-
15.	<p><b>Motions submitted under Standing Order D1(1)</b> One Motion has been received in accordance with Standing Order No D1 (1).</p>	-
16.	<p><b>Urgent Motions submitted under Standing Order D1(7)</b> To consider motions in the order they have been received which, by reason of special circumstances, should be considered as a matter of urgency, in accordance with Standing Order D1(7).</p>	-
17.	<p><b>Recommendations from Licensing and Environmental Committee</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cosmetic Skin Piercing, Special Treatment, Tattooing</li> <li>• Policy and Advice to Applicants on the Keeping of Dangerous Wild Animals.</li> </ul> <p>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.</p>	32

	<a href="#">Agenda item 17 L and E Cmt recs</a>	
18.	<p><b>Ethics and Standards Committee</b> Recommendations of the Ethics and Standards Committee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Feedback Format for Members on Outside Bodies</li> </ul> <p><a href="#">Agenda item 18 Ethics and Standards OSB</a></p>	33
19.	<p><b>Appointment of Independent Member</b> Appointment of Mr Hipkiss as an Independent Member to the Ethics and Standards Committee.</p> <p><a href="#">Agenda item 19 Appointment of Ind Member</a></p>	34
20.	<p><b>Royal Garden Parties</b> To nominate two Members (with partners) to the Royal Garden Parties to be held at Buckingham Palace on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July, Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July and Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2009.</p>	-
21.	<p><b>Highways Partnership</b> To appoint two District Councillors as non-voting representatives on the newly formed Highways Partnership. Please note that the first meeting of the Partnership will take place on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2009.</p> <p><a href="#">Agenda item 21 Highways Partnership</a></p>	35
22.	<p><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></p>	-