

## CABINET

# Monday, 9th March, 2015 7.00 pm Town Hall Watford

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Welcome to this meeting. We hope you find these notes useful.

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#### **CABINET MEMBERSHIP**

MayorD Thornhill(Chair)CouncillorD Scudder(Deputy Mayor)CouncillorsK Crout, S Johnson, I Sharpe and M Watkin

#### AGENDA

#### PART A - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

#### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

#### 2. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST (IF ANY)

#### 3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 16 February 2015 to be submitted and signed.

Copies of the minutes of this meeting are usually available seven working days following the meeting.

(All minutes are available on the Council's website.)

#### 4. CONDUCT OF MEETING

The Cabinet may wish to consider whether there are any items on which there is general agreement which could be considered now, to enable discussion to focus on those items where the Cabinet sees a need for further debate.

5. DISCRETIONARY HOUSING PAYMENTS (DHP) FOR HOUSING BENEFIT (Pages 1 - 34)

Report of Head of Revenues and Benefits

6. DISCRETIONARY AND HARDSHIP RATE RELIEF POLICIES FOR BUSINESS RATES (NNDR) (Pages 35 - 66)

Report of Head of Revenue and Benefits

7. **PROPERTY REVIEW** (Pages 67 - 78)

Report of Head of Regeneration and Development

The appendix to this report is to be considered as Part B in accordance with Paragraph 3, Part 1, Schedule 12A as it contains commercially sensitive information.