



Business Efficiency Board

Wednesday, 26 September 2012 at 6.30
p.m.
Civic Suite, Town Hall, Runcorn

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David W R'.

Chief Executive

BOARD MEMBERSHIP

Councillor Alan Lowe (Chairman)	Labour
Councillor Martha Lloyd Jones (Vice-Chairman)	Labour
Councillor Arthur Cole	Labour
Councillor Mike Fry	Labour
Councillor Darren Lea	Labour
Councillor Tony McDermott	Labour
Councillor Andrew MacManus	Labour
Councillor Norman Plumpton Walsh	Labour
Councillor Joe Roberts	Labour
Councillor Margaret Ratcliffe	Liberal Democrat
Councillor Kevan Wainwright	Labour

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The next meeting of the Board is on Wednesday, 14 November 2012

**ITEMS TO BE DEALT WITH
IN THE PRESENCE OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

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2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST	
<p>Members are reminded of their responsibility to declare any personal or personal and prejudicial interest which they have in any item of business on the agenda, no later than when that item is reached and, with personal and prejudicial interests (subject to certain exceptions in the Code of Conduct for Members), to leave the meeting prior to discussion and voting on the item.</p>	
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In this case the Board has a discretion to exclude the press and public and, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, it is RECOMMENDED that under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, having been satisfied that in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for 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.

10. INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT - QTR 1 (2012/13)

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In accordance with the Health and Safety at Work Act the Council is required to notify those attending meetings of the fire evacuation procedures. A copy has previously been circulated to Members and instructions are located in all rooms within the Civic block.