



Walsall Council

FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS

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FORWARD PLAN

The forward plan sets out decisions that are termed as “key decisions” which the Executive (Cabinet) intend to take over the following 4 months. Preparation of the forward plan helps the Council to programme its work. The purpose of the forward plan is to give plenty of notice and an opportunity for consultation on the issues to be discussed. The plan is updated each month with the period of the plan being rolled forward by one month and republished. The plan is available for public inspection at the Civic Centre Reception, Darwall Street, Walsall. Copies of the plan can be obtained from John Garner, Democratic Services, Walsall MBC, Civic Centre, Darwall Street, Walsall, WS1 1TP, 01922 653500 or e-mail cabinetoffice@walsall.gov.uk. The forward plan can also be accessed from the Council’s website at www.walsall.gov.uk. The Cabinet are allowed to make urgent decisions which do not appear in the forward plan.

Please note that the decision dates are indicative and are subject to change. Please contact the above addressee if you wish to check the date for a particular item.

The Cabinet Members and their responsibilities are as follows:

Leader of the Council	Councillor Bird
Deputy Leader and Regeneration	Councillor A. Andrew
Business support services	Councillor Arif
Children’s services	Councillor R. Andrew
Communities and partnerships	Councillor Ali
Finance and personnel	Councillor Towe
Leisure and culture	Councillor Harris
Social care and housing	Councillor McCracken
Transport and environment	Councillor Ansell

The Cabinet agenda and reports are available for inspection by the public 7 days prior to the meeting of the Cabinet. The papers can be seen at First Stop Shop at the Civic Centre, Walsall. The papers are also available on the Council’s website referred to above shortly before the meeting. Background papers are listed on each report submitted to the Cabinet and members of the public are entitled to see these documents unless they are confidential. The report also contains the name and telephone number of a contact officer. These details can also be found in the forward plan.

Meetings of the Cabinet are open to the public and take place in Conference Room 2 at the Council House, Walsall. Occasionally there are items included on the agenda which are confidential and for those items the public will be asked to leave the meeting.

The forward plan does not list all decisions which have to be taken by the Cabinet only “key decisions” which are those decisions which have a significant effect within the community or which involve considerable expenditure or savings. The Council’s Constitution defines a key decision as an executive decision which is likely:

- “(1) to result in the Council in incurring expenditure which exceeds that included in any approved revenue or capital budget or the limits set out within an approved borrowing or investment strategy and was not the subject of a specific grant;
- (2) to result in the Council incurring expenditure, or the making of savings, which are equivalent to or more than 5% of any approved revenue budget or 10% of any capital budget, whichever is the lower, subject to a de minimus level of £50,000;
- (3) to be significant in terms of its direct effects on communities in an area comprising two or more wards in the Borough.”

Dates of Cabinet meetings for 2011/2012

2011	27 July 14 September 9 November 14 December
2012	8 February 4 April

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MARCH TO JUNE 2012 (13.2.12)**

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Reference No./ Date first entered in Plan	Key decision to be considered (to provide adequate details for those both in and outside the Council)	Decision maker	Background papers (if any) and Contact Officer	Main consultees	Contact Member (All Members can be written to at Civic Centre, Walsall)	Date item to be considered
58/09 (7.8.09)	Corporate Asset Management 2011-2016: Approval of plan which sets out the approach to the strategic management of the Council's property portfolio	Cabinet	Steve Law 652075	Executive Directors, Corporate Property Group	Councillor A. Andrew	4 April 2012
56/11 (12.10.11)	University Technical College - full business case: Approval of delegated authority for the Director of Children's Services or Director of Regeneration to approve the full business case and contract award for the development of the technical college at the former Sneyd School site	Cabinet	Kevin Kendall 471259	Finance, legal services	Councillor A. Andrew	4 April 2012
52/11 (12.10.11)	Development clawback: To approve whg's affordable housing programme in relation to clawback payments	Cabinet	Neil Hollyhead 655411	Legal services, finance, asset management	Councillor A. Andrew	4 April 2012
5/12 (11.1.12)	New community and library building in Bentley local centre: sale of freehold interests	Cabinet	Steve Pugh 652034	Library services, legal services, development and delivery	Councillor A. Andrew	4 April 2012
8/12 (13.2.12)	Land at Middlemore Lane: to approve the grant of a 50 year lease to the 1st Aldridge/36th Walsall Scout Group	Cabinet	Jackie Hodgson 652091	Ward Councillors, IYPSS, legal, finance	Councillor A. Andrew	4 April 2012

9/12 (13.2.12)	Walsall joint venture limited liability partnership: Establishment of partnership to provide an opportunity for the Council to access private sector funds for property and regeneration projects	Cabinet	Kevin Kendall	Finance, legal services	Councillor A. Andrew	4 April 2012
10/12 (13.2.12)	Willenhall CHART: To approve the grant of a 99 year lease of the Willenhall CHART community premises in Gomer Street, Willenhall	Cabinet	Steve Law 652075		Councillor A. Andrew	4 April 2012
11/12 (13.2.12)	Building Control service: Whether to approve the joint provision of the Council's local authority building control service with Birmingham City Council's wholly owned Company ACIVICO via its Special Purpose Vehicle Acivico Building Consultancy	Cabinet	David Elsworthy 652409 Mark Skidmore 652444	Legal services, finance	Councillor A. Andrew	4 April 2012
12/12 (13.2.12)	Inward Investment/Economic Growth Service: Approval for the retention and use of existing/available resources to support a remodelled service through to March 2015	Cabinet	Mark Lavender 652522	Internal directorates	Councillor A. Andrew	4 April 2012
2/12 (11.1.12)	Education capital programme: To seek approval to progress further projects	Cabinet	Melanie Harmitt Walsall Children's Services Serco 686239	Finance, legal, HR, ward Councillors	Councillor R. Andrew	4 April 2012
3/12 (11.1.12)	Determination of admission scheme and arrangements: To seek approval to admission scheme and arrangements for community and voluntary controlled schools for 2013/14 academic years	Cabinet	Michael Hiscox Walsall Children's Services Serco 686239	Finance, legal, HR. ward Councillors	Councillor R. Andrew	4 April 2012
64/11 (11.11.11)	Darlaston Strategic Development Area access project: delivery strategy	Cabinet	Stuart Everton 652560	Regeneration, neighbourhoods, legal, finance	Councillor Ansell	4 April 2012

65/11 (11.11.11)	Local Transport Plan 3: Capital Programme 2012/13	Cabinet	Stuart Everton 652560	Regeneration, neighbourhoods, legal, finance	Councillor Ansell	4 April 2012
63/11 (11.11.11)	Highways repair and maintenance term contract: extension of contract currently with Tarmac for a further 2 years	Cabinet	Glyn Oliver 652503	Finance, legal, procurement, human resources	Councillor Ansell	4 April 2012
6./12 (11.1.12)	Highway Maintenance Strategy 2012-2015: To approve the way in which the authority will deliver its highway maintenance responsibilities	Cabinet	John Roseblade 652278	Service users, Area Partnerships	Councillor Ansell	4 April 2012
7/12 (13.2.12)	Civil enforcement of bus lane contraventions: Approval and publication of charges (within legislative constraints) to be applied for enforcement of bus lane contraventions and approval to enter into an agreement with the Bus Lane Adjudication Service Joint Committee	Cabinet	Paul Leighton 652458	Finance, legal services	Councillor Ansell	4 April 2012