



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” at least 28 calendar days before they are due to be taken by the Executive (Cabinet). Also included on the plan are other decisions to be taken by the Cabinet (“non-key decisions”). 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 Democratic Services, Walsall MBC, Council House, Walsall, WS1 1TW, 01922 654522. The forward plan can also be accessed from the Council’s website at www.walsall.gov.uk. The Cabinet is allowed to make urgent decisions which do not appear in the forward plan, however, a notice will be included on the agenda for the relevant Cabinet meeting which explains the reasons why.

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.

Cabinet responsibilities are as follows

- Leader of the Council – Councillor Bird
- Deputy Leader and Regeneration – Councillor Andrew
- Adult social care – Councillor Martin
- Children’s – Councillor Wilson
- Clean and green – Councillor Butler
- Community, leisure and culture – Councillor Perry
- Education and skills – Councillor Towe
- Health and wellbeing – Councillor Longhi
- Personnel and business support – Councillor Chattha

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 will show where this is intended and the reason why the reports are confidential. Enquiries regarding these reasons should be directed to Democratic Services on 01922 654522.

“Key decisions” are those decisions which have a significant effect within the community or which involve considerable expenditure or savings. With regard to key decisions the Council’s Constitution states:

- (1) A key decision is:
 - (i) any decision in relation to an executive function which results in the Council incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant, having regard to the Council’s budget for the service or function to which the decision relates or
 - (ii) any decision that is likely to have significant impact on two or more wards within the borough.
- (2) The threshold for “significant” expenditure/savings is £250,000.
- (3) A decision taker may only make a key decision in accordance with the requirements of the Executive Procedure Rules set out in Part 4 of this Constitution.

Dates of meetings 2019/20

2019 19 June
17 July
4 September
23 October
11 December

2020 12 February
18 March
22 April

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AUGUST TO NOVEMBER 2019 (8.7.19)

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Reference No./ Date first entered in Plan	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
26/19 (8.7.19)	Income and Commercial policy: To approve the framework of guidance and advice on why, when and how the authority should seek to recover the costs of service delivery	Cabinet (Non key decision)	Lloyd Haynes 01922 6523401	Internal	Councillor Bird	4 September 2019
43/18 (8.10.18)	Lighting Invest to Save: To consider proposals for a major investment in the highway lighting infrastructure by replacing all existing lighting with energy efficient LED lighting	Cabinet (Key decision)	Paul Leighton 01922 6543695	Public, Walsall Public Lighting Ltd., industry companies, internal	Councillor Andrew	4 September 2019
19/19 (3.6.19)	Street cleansing: To consider costed plans for more frequent street cleansing and how the Council can play its part in reducing the use of single use plastics	Cabinet (Key decision)	Mark Holden 01922 654201	Internal	Councillor Butler	4 September 2019
20/19 (3.6.19)	Fly-tipping enforcement and derelict sites: To consider the results of fly-tipping trials, costed plans for tip opening and free bulky waste collections and action plan to tackle top 10 derelict sites in the borough	Cabinet (Key decision)	Mark Holden 01922 654201	Internal	Councillor Butler	4 September 2019
24/19 (3.6.19)	Materials Recycling Facility (MRF): To receive a final report on the MRF – development, feasibility and business case for approval	Cabinet (Key decision)	Stephen Johnson 01922 654227	Internal	Councillor Butler	4 September 2019

25/19 (8.7.19)	Period poverty: Response to the Social Care and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee report	Cabinet (Non key decision)	Esther Higdon 01922 653724	Business continuity	Councillor Longhi	4 September 2019
14/19 (3.6.19)	Black Country Enterprise Zone – Darlaston Road masterplan: Approval to progress delivery of the former Gasholders site. Private session: Report contains commercially sensitive information	Cabinet (Key decision)	Caroline Harper 01922 654754	Internal	Councillor Andrew	23 October 2019
27/19 (8.7.9)	A34 Walsall to Birmingham sprint scheme: To approve the sprint scheme	Cabinet (Key decision)	Matt Crowton 01922 654358	Internal	Councillor Andrew	23 October 2019
21/19 (3.6.19)	Community safety and working with the Police: To consider the creation of an integrated team, locality work and a jointly agreed Community Safety Plan to tackle Walsall's priorities for community safety	Cabinet (Key decision)	Meradin Peachey 01922 650334	Internal	Councillor Perry	23 October 2019
15/19 (3.6.19)	Mainstream Schools Funding Formula 2020/21: To approve the school funding formula, as agreed by Schools Forum, to be used for the allocation of funding to mainstream schools in Walsall for the 2020/21 financial year	Cabinet (Key decision)	Lloyd Haynes 01922 652340	Schools Forum	Councillor Towe	23 October 2019

DECISIONS FOR DECEMBER 2019

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22/19 (3.6.19)	Repairing and maintaining roads: To identify extra funding to boost the approved highways maintenance programme	Cabinet (Key decisions)	Steve Pretty	Internal	Councillor Andrew	11 December 2019
23/19 (3.6.19)	Waste Strategy for the Borough: To consider future collection and disposal services and the provision of household waste recycling centres in the borough	Cabinet (Key decision)	Mark Holden 01922 654201	Internal	Councillor Butler	11 December 2019