



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). 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 and Health and Wellbeing – Councillor Wilson
- Community Leisure and Culture – Councillor Perry
- Education and Skills – Councillor Towe
- Clean and Green – Councillor Harrison
- Personnel and Business Support – Councillor Harris

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.

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. 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 2018/19

2018	11 July
	5 September
	24 October
	12 December
2019	13 February
	20 March
	24 April

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MARCH TO JUNE 2019 (4.2.19)

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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
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	Paul Leighton 6543695	Public, Walsall Public Lighting Ltd., industry companies, procurement, legal, finance	Councillor Andrew	20 March 2019
54/18 (3.12.18)	Temporary accommodation reprovion options: To approve the recommended option for the reprovion of the temporary accommodation service for homeless households	Cabinet	Neil Hollyhead 655411	Assets, legal, finance, children's services	Councillor Andrew	20 March 2019
5/19 (7.1.19)	Transport Plan Capital Programme: To approve the 2019/20 Strategic Transport Plan Capital Programme	Cabinet	Matt Crowton 654358	Legal, procurement, finance, economy and environment	Councillor Andrew	20 March 2019
7/19 (4.2.19)	Appointment of an Enhanced Managing Agent for the Council's commercial investment portfolio: To seek authority to award a contract to the preferred bidder. Private session: Report contains commercially sensitive information	Cabinet	Jo Nugent 654752	Procurement, legal, finance	Councillor Andrew	20 March 2019
9/19 (4.2.19)	Highway Infrastructure Asset Management: To consider and approve the proposed highway asset management policy, highway asset management strategy and highway maintenance management plan	Cabinet	Dean Sargeant 658031	Finance, risk and insurance, legal, industry leading asset management consultants	Councillor Andrew	20 March 2019

11/19 (4.2.19)	Domestic Abuse Emergency accommodation support services contract: To approve the extension and variation of the existing contract	Cabinet	Neil Hollyhead 655411	Adult services, procurement, legal, finance	Councillor Andrew	20 March 2019
6/19 (4.2.19)	Adult Social Care supported living framework: Approval to issue new transitional 5 contracts to existing providers for a period of 6 months allowing for the implementation of the new procured framework	Cabinet	Ian Staples 655714	Legal, procurement, adult social care	Councillor Martin	20 March 2019
8/19 (4.2.19)	Flood Risk Management in Walsall: To consider and approve the investigation and reporting of the May 2018 flood events and flooding incident management plan	Cabinet	Dean Sargeant 658031	Industry and utility companies, finance, legal	Councillor Harrison	20 March 2019
4/19 (7.1.19)	Section 31 grant: To confirm arrangements in respect of Walsall using Section 31 grant from the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government – Integration Area funding	Cabinet	Irena Hergottova 655751	Local Integration Partnership, MHCLG, community and voluntary sector partners	Councillor Perry	20 March 2019
43/18 (8.10.18)	Pupil places: To determine potential revocation proposals to meet new needs for pupil places following consultation and seeking approval to award contract to a new provider. Private session: Report contains commercially sensitive information	Cabinet	Andrea Potts 654599		Councillor Towe	20 March 2019
53/18 (5.11.18)	Healthy child programme: Approval to go to tender the healthy child programme as a 0-19 service instead of a 0-5 and 5-19 service	Cabinet	Esther Higdon 653724	Finance, legal, procurement, children's services	Councillor Wilson	20 March 2019

10/19 (4.2.19)	Regional Family Drug and Alcohol Court: To approve Walsall's engagement in the Regional Family Drug and Alcohol Court in conjunction with Sandwell Children's Trust and Dudley Children's Services which will involve each local authority contributing to the commissioning of a bespoke Family Drugs and Alcohol service with Walsall leading	Cabinet	Debbie Carter 652756	Legal, finance, HR, procurement	Councillor Wilson	20 March 2019
47/18 (8.10.18)	WMCA governance of West Midlands Police and Crime Commissioner functions: To consider consultation outcomes and final approval of the governance review and scheme	Cabinet	Stuart Portman 654821		Councillor Bird	June 2019