



## **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. Copies of the plan can be obtained from Democratic Services, Walsall MBC, Council House, Walsall, WS1 1TW [helen.owen@walsall.gov.uk](mailto:helen.owen@walsall.gov.uk) and can also be accessed from the Council’s website at [www.walsall.gov.uk](http://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.

The Cabinet agenda and reports are available for inspection by the public 7 days prior to the meeting of the Cabinet on the Council’s website. 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. 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 ([helen.owen@walsall.gov.uk](mailto:helen.owen@walsall.gov.uk)).

“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.

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JULY to OCTOBER 2021 (7.6.21)**

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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
32/21 (10.5.21)	<b>Black Country Plan</b> – to seek approval for Black Country Plan 8 week consultation between August-September 2021	Cabinet  Key Decision	Alison Ives 07385 348298 <a href="mailto:alison.ives@walsall.gov.uk">alison.ives@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Public  Internal Services	Councillor Andrew	Special meeting  7 July 2021
23/21 (8.3.21)	<b>Corporate Financial Performance 2021/22, Covid-19 update and Budget Framework 2022/23 to 2024/25</b> – To report the financial position based on 2 months to May 2021, impact of Covid-19, and the budget framework for 2022/23 to	Cabinet  Non-key decision	Vicky Buckley 01922 652326 <a href="mailto:Vicky.buckley@walsall.gov.uk">Vicky.buckley@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal services	Councillor Bird	21 July 2021

	2024/25.					
36/21 (7.6.21)	<b>Refreshed Performance Management Framework:</b> The report presents the refreshed Performance Management Framework which is part of the Council's governance arrangements along with feedback from Audit Committee following their consideration of the robustness of the framework	Cabinet  Non key decision	Helen Dudson <a href="mailto:Helen.dudson@walsall.gov.uk">Helen.dudson@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal Services	Councillor Bird	21 July 2021
13/21 (8.3.21)	<b>Restart Scheme:</b> To note an overview of the new government Restart scheme and accept a sub-contract with the approved DWP Tier 1 Prime Provider for the Central West region.	Cabinet  Key decision	Jane Kaur-Gill <a href="mailto:Jane.kaur-gill@walsall.gov.uk">Jane.kaur-gill@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal services	Councillor Andrew	21 July 2021
14/21 (8.3.21)	<b>Willenhall Masterplan: Strategic Land Acquisitions</b> – in principle approval for the use of Compulsory Purchase Order powers. <i>Contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person</i>	Cabinet  Key decision- Private session	Willenhall Masterplan: Strategic Land Acquisitions.  <a href="mailto:Joel.maybury@walsall.gov.uk">Joel.maybury@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal services	Councillor Andrew	21 July 2021
24/21 (8.3.21)	<b>Phoenix 10 Project</b> To seek authority for the award of a contract for Environmental Impairment Liability Insurance to support delivery of the project.  <i>Contains commercially sensitive information</i>	Cabinet  Key decision  private session	Joel Maybury <a href="mailto:Joel.maybury@walsall.gov.uk">Joel.maybury@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal services	Councillor Andrew	21 July 2021

33/21 (10.5.21)	<b>Civil Traffic Enforcement contract</b> To recommend and award the Civil Traffic Enforcement Contract following the completion of the procurement process.	Cabinet  Key decision	Glynnis Jeavons  <a href="mailto:Glynnis.jeavons@walsall.gov.uk">Glynnis.jeavons@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal Services	Councillor Andrew	21 July 2021
34/21 (10.5.21)	<b>Northgate Revenues and Benefits Processing system contract renewal -</b> Approve the extension of the contract with Northgate to provide a Revenues and Benefits Software Service.	Cabinet  Key decision	Jeanette Hitchcock  <a href="mailto:Jeanette.hitchcock@walsall.gov.uk">Jeanette.hitchcock@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal Services	Councillor Andrew	21 July 2021
37/21 (7.6.21)	<b>Sale of Council land in Blakenall:</b> To seek approval to the freehold disposal of Council land in Blakenall  <i>Contains commercially sensitive information.</i>	Cabinet  Key Decision  Private session	Nick Ford, Team Leader – Asset Management  <a href="mailto:Nick.ford@walsall.gov.uk">Nick.ford@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal Services	Councillor Andrew	21 July 2021
43/21	<b>Local Authority Delivery Scheme (LADS) Housing Retro-fit:</b> To appoint a contractor for this service.	Cabinet  Key decision	David Lockwood  <a href="mailto:David.lockwood@walsall.gov.uk">David.lockwood@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal Services	Councillor Butler	21 July 2021
38/21 (7.6.21)	<b>Liquid fuel supply Contract:</b> To approve the award of a contract for the Council's vehicle fuel and heating oil supply  <i>Contains commercially sensitive information.</i>	Cabinet  Key Decision  Private Session	Den Edwards  <a href="mailto:Den.edwards@walsall.gov.uk">Den.edwards@walsall.gov.uk</a> Alan Bowley <a href="mailto:Alan.bowley@walsall.gov.uk">Alan.bowley@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal Services	Councillor Butler	21 July 2021
42/21 7.6.21	<b>Shared Lives payment remodelling:</b> To update members on the outcomes	Cabinet	Jeanette Knapper  <a href="mailto:Jeanette.knapper@walsall.gov.uk">Jeanette.knapper@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Shared Lives Carers, Service	Councillor Martin	21 July 2021

	from Consultation and seek approval to proceed based on the outcomes and other supporting information	Key Decision	<a href="mailto:all.gov.uk">all.gov.uk</a> Kirpal Bilkhu <a href="mailto:Kirpal.bilkhu@walsall.gov.uk">Kirpal.bilkhu@walsall.gov.uk</a> Nigel Imber <a href="mailto:Nigel.imber@walsall.gov.uk">Nigel.imber@walsall.gov.uk</a>	users and families  Internal services		
39/21 (7.6.21)	<b>Walsall Domestic Abuse Strategy:</b> To agree the Strategy 2021 to comply with the new domestic Abuse Act 2020	Cabinet  Key Decision	Domestic Abuse Strategy 2021 Domestic Abuse Need Assessment 2021 Domestic Abuse Act 2020  Ian Billham Community Safety <a href="mailto:Ian.billham@walsall.gov.uk">Ian.billham@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Safer Walsall Partnership  Internal Services	Councillor Perry	21 July 2021
28/21 (10.5.21)	<b>Domestic Abuse:</b> To approve the new service delivery model and accordingly agree to a procurement exercise to enable the provision of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• effective support to victims of domestic abuse and their children</li> <li>• Sufficient and effective safe accommodation to victims of Domestic Abuse</li> </ul> as per the Councils' duty as outlined in the Domestic Abuse Bill and need identified through the Walsall Safer partnership	Cabinet  Key decision	Domestic Abuse Needs Analysis  Neil Hollyhead <a href="mailto:Neil.hollyhead@walsall.gov.uk">Neil.hollyhead@walsall.gov.uk</a>  Isabel Vanderheeren <a href="mailto:Isabel.vanderheeren@walsall.gov.uk">Isabel.vanderheeren@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Safer Walsall Partnership  Internal Services	Councillor Andrew  Councillor Wilson	21 July 2021

	Domestic Abuse Strategic Needs Assessment.					
40/21 (7.6.21)	<b>Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education:</b> There is a legal requirement to review/revise the Agreed Syllabus every five years. Cabinet is asked to endorse the Agreed Syllabus to ensure that the teaching of RE in schools is relevant and appropriate and recommend the Syllabus to Council for approval.	Cabinet Non-Key  Council	Nick Perks <a href="mailto:Nick.perks@walsall.gov.uk">Nick.perks@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal Services  Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education	Councillor Towe	21 July 2021
35/21 (10.5.21)	<b>Corporate Plan 2021/22 - Quarter 1 Performance:</b> To note the approach to the five priorities	Cabinet  Non key	Stephen Gunther <a href="mailto:Stephen.gunther@walsall.gov.uk">Stephen.gunther@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal – Directors’ Group	Councillor Bird	8 September 2021
22/21 (8.3.21)	<b>Walsall Council Housing Allocations Policy:</b> To update the policy which sets the principles for the allocation of affordable housing	Cabinet  Key decision	Neil Hollyhead 07943 500394 <a href="mailto:Neil.hollyhead@walsall.gov.uk">Neil.hollyhead@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Public, Housing Associations, Internal Services	Councillor Andrew	8 September 2021
41/21 (7.6.21)	<b>Intermediate Care Service (ICS) Review:</b> to receive the outcome of the review and approve the Extension of the existing Transitional Bed contract	Cabinet  Key decision	Tracy Simcox <a href="mailto:Tracy.simcox@walsall.gov.uk">Tracy.simcox@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal Services	Councillor Martin	20 October 2021