



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, Constitutional 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 Andrew
Business support services	Councillor Arif
Children’s services	Councillor Walker
Communities and partnerships	Councillor Perry
Environment	Councillor Flower
Finance and personnel	Councillor Towe
Leisure and culture	Councillor Sanders
Social care, health and housing	Councillor McCracken
Transport	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 on a monthly basis. 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 Council only "key decisions" which are those decisions which have a significant effect within the community or which involve considerable expenditure or savings.

Dates of Cabinet meetings for 2009/2010

2009

24 June
15 July
16 September
21 October
18 November
18 December

2010

13 Cabinet
3 February
17 March
14 April

**FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS
AUGUST TO NOVEMBER 2009 (6.7.09)**

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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
31/09 (5.6.09)	Green Rivers Community Centre – Following decision of Cabinet on 22 April 2009 to approve the fixed cost price for the construction of the Green Rivers Community Centre and approve the funding package for the delivery of the scheme	Cabinet	Jo Nugent 652483	Children's Services, Neighbourhoods, legal, finance, WHG, NHCE, user groups	Councillors Bird, Andrew	16 September 2009
28/09 (8.5.09)	Walsall Gigaport – To consider and agree the principles of the partnership agreement with Advantage West Midlands for the delivery of the Gigaport, to advise on the bid to AWM for project, funding, to endorse, in principle, the use of compulsory purchase powers where necessary, to agree the process for the procurement of a development partner and the identification of a delivery model	Cabinet	Paul Nicholson 652489 Richard Chadwick 652576	Walsall Regeneration Company	Councillor Andrew	16 September 2009
26/09 (8.5.09)	Strategic Development Agreement between the Council and WHG – Approval of arrangements for managing issues of best consideration, development claw back and the preferred social housing provider resulting from the Collaboration Agreement to deliver the strategic framework programme in Brownhills, Moxley and Goscote Lane corridor	Cabinet	Paul Nicholson 652489 Caroline Glover 653692	Estates, housing, legal services. Finance, Walsall Housing Group, Homes and Communities Agency	Councillor Andrew	16 September 2009

36/09 (5.6.09)	Phase Three Children's Centres – To seek Cabinet permission to progress phase 3 of the development of Children's Centres in Walsall	Cabinet	Car Britton Walsall Children's Services, Serco 686282	Finance, Human resources, legal, ward Councillors	Councillor Walker	16 September 2009
43/09 (6.7.09)	Education capital programme – further schemes – To seek the permission to progress further projects	Cabinet	Susan Lupton Walsall Children's Services, Serco 686231	Ward Councillors	Councillor Walker	16 September 2009
44/09 (6.7.09)	Supply of schools places – To seek approval to matters relating to the supply of school places	Cabinet	Susan Lupton Walsall Children's Services, Serco 686231	Ward Councillors	Councillor Walker	16 September 2009
45/09 (6.7.09)	Ethic Minority Achievement (EMA) – To approve recommendations for further activity needed to take place to secure further improvements, but essentially asking for additional investment into EMA	Cabinet	Sue Wedgwood Walsall Children's Services, Serco 656239	Ward Councillors	Councillor Walker	16 September 2009
46/09 (6.7.09)	14-19 Learning Skills Council (LSC) transfer - To endorse proposals to secure the place of 14-19 commissioning within the Walsall World Class Commissioning Framework and sub regional commissioning proposals the transfer of staff/resources from the LSC required to ensure capacity to commission 16-19 provision before the LSC is wound up and responsibilities for commissioning transfer to local authorities in March 2010	Cabinet	Louise Hughes 652895	Schools, College	Councillor Walker	16 September 2009

47/09 (6.7.09)	Integrated Young People Support Services - To approve a tender for the management information systems for the Connexions service and/or the full Connexions service and delegate powers to the Director of Children Services to award a contract	Cabinet	Louise Hughes 682895	CT partners, schools, health, etc.	Councillor Walker	16 September 2009
38/09 (5.6.09)	Community Safety Plan – Approval of the Borough Community Safety Plan refreshed annual based on the findings of a borough wide strategic assessment	Cabinet	Steve Gittins	Community members and other key stakeholders, partners	Councillor Perry	16 September 2009
63/08 (7.7.08) (Replace items 41/07, 41/08 & 42/08)	Implementation of charging policies within Social Care and Inclusion The fairer charging policy in place within social care & inclusion needs to be up - dated and amended. Officers will be required to undertake a formal 12 week consultation. Also there are no policies currently in place for transport, neighbourhood care officers or extra care charging. Cabinet to authorise officers to consult on the charging proposals and report back to Cabinet at the end of the consultation period.	Cabinet	Steph Simcox 652703	Staff, partner organisations, users, carers	Councillor McCracken	16 September July 2009

38/08 (9.5.08)	Police station – The West Midlands Police Authority has identified a preferred location for its new Walsall Police HQ. The Council is a considerable landowner in the preferred location and the Police Authority has approached the Council with a view to purchasing its interest and securing its support to assemble the remainder of the site. Approval is sought “in principle” to pursue a compulsory purchase order to help deliver the police station relocation and for the sale of land to the Police Authority.	Cabinet	Paul Nicholson 652489 Richard Chadwick 652576	Walsall Regeneration Company	Councillor Andrew	16 September 2009
34/09 (5.6.09)	Chuckery Air Quality Action Plan – This is a mandatory requirement when an air quality management area has been declared. Report will detail how the authority intends to improve pollutant levels	Cabinet	John Roseblade 652278 Steve Pretty 652598	Neighbouring authorities, NHS Walsall, Environment Agency, Highways Agency, Secretary of State	Councillor Flower	16 September 2009
42/09 6.7.09)	A4148 Broadway – To approve the introduction of Red Routes along Broadway of which two junctions will be improved	Cabinet	Richard Banner 652550	Legal, procurement, finance, neighbourhoods, regeneration	Councillor Ansell	16 September 2009
48/09 (6.7.09)	Education capital programme – further schemes – To seek the permission to progress further projects	Cabinet	Susan Lupton Walsall Children’s Services, Serco 686231	Ward Councillors	Councillor Walker	21 October 2009
49/09 (6.7.09)	Education capital programme – further schemes – To seek the permission to progress further projects	Cabinet	Susan Lupton Walsall Children’s Services, Serco 686231	Ward Councillors	Councillor Walker	18 November 2009

50/09 (8.5.09)	Gating Orders Policy – consideration of final gating orders policy and two proposed trial gating orders in Definitive Footpath 38 Willenhall (part) between Stroud Avenue and Redpine Crest and adopted public footpath between Chester Road (adjacent to no. 167) and Thorney Road	Cabinet	Joanne Sheeran 652445	Safer Walsall Partnership, LNPs, Police Neighbourhood Watch, Local Access Forum, local residents and statutory organisations under the Highways Act 1980	Councillor Ansell	18 November 2009
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FROM DECEMBER 2009**

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