

# 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:

| Councillor John O'Hare       |
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| Councillor Zahid Ali         |
| Councillor Garry Perry       |
| Councillor Rachel Walker     |
| Councillor AI Griffiths      |
| Councillor Louise Harrison   |
| Councillor Mohammed Arif     |
| Councillor Adrian Andrew     |
| Councillor Barbara McCracken |
| Councillor Anthony Harris    |
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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 2007/2008 at 6.00 p.m.

| 2007   | 2008   |
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| 20 June<br>18 July<br>19 September<br>24 October<br>21 November<br>19 December | 16 January<br>6 February<br>19 March<br>16 April |

## FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS NOVEMBER 2007 TO FEBRUARY 2008 (10.10.07)

| 1   | 2  | 3                 | 4   | 5  | 6   | 7                                |
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| 49/07<br>(9.7.07)                                     | Education capital programme – approval of further schemes  | Cabinet           | Susan Lupton<br>686231                                  | Stakeholders   | Cllr. Zahid Ali   | 21 November<br>2007              |
| 65/07<br>(9.8.07)                                     | Free entitlement to early years education 2008 onwards   | Cabinet           | Carl Britton<br>686282<br>Janet Hosking<br>686220       | Schools  | Cllr. Zahid Ali   | 21 November<br>2007              |
| 84/07<br>(10.10.07)                                   | Ruiz Centre Pupil Referral Unit –<br>change in age range and<br>replacement arrangements for<br>primary age pupils | Cabinet           | Susan Lupton<br>686231                                  | Staff, parents,<br>temporary governing<br>body, Shelfield College,<br>stakeholders   | Cllr. Zahid Ali   | 21 November<br>2007              |
| 38/07<br>(19.4.07)                                    | Annual review of fees and<br>charges - Bereavement and<br>Registration services                                    | Cabinet           | Steve Billings<br>021 353 7228                          | Internal   | Cllr. Walker  | 21 November<br>2007              |
| 34/07<br>(19.4.07)                                    | Outcome of street trading review<br>– including displays on the<br>highway   | Cabinet           | John Beavon<br>652214                                   | Regulatory authorities,<br>emergency services,<br>Town centre<br>partnerships, Chamber<br>of Commerce, trade<br>associations,<br>stakeholders LNPs<br>Internal | Cllr. Walker  | 21 November<br>2007              |

| 56/07<br>(9.8.07)   | Environmental enforcement plan<br>– approval of action plan to re-<br>energise a partnership approach<br>around prime environmental<br>crime targets to link to Crime and<br>Disorder Partnership and use of<br>LAA funding | Cabinet | Judith Sunley<br>652213  | Internal, Safer Walsall<br>Borough Partnership   | Cllr. Walker    | 21 November<br>2007 |
|---------------------|---|---------|--------------------------|--|-----------------|---------------------|
| 89/08<br>(10.10.07) | National enforcement priorities for<br>Local Authorities Regulatory<br>Services and the implementation<br>of the Hampton principles<br>"Reducing administrative<br>burdens"   | Cabinet | John Beavon<br>652214    | Internal, Safer Walsall<br>Borough Partnership,<br>regional authorities                      | Cllr. Walker    | 21 November<br>2001 |
| 94/07<br>(10.10.07) | Determining an Air Quality<br>Management Area in Chuckery   | Cabinet | John Roseblade<br>652278 | Residents of Chuckery  | Cllr. Walker    | 21 November<br>2007 |
| 74/07<br>(10.9.07)  | Capital Strategy  | Cabinet | Vicky Buckley<br>652349  |  | Cllr. Griffiths | 21 November<br>2007 |
| 75/07<br>(10.9.07)  | Medium term financial strategy  | Cabinet | Vicky Buckley<br>652349  |  | Cllr. Griffiths | 21 November<br>2007 |
| 85/07<br>(10.10.07) | Budget setting framework and timetable 2008/9-2010/11   | Cabinet | Vicky Buckley<br>652349  |  | Cllr. Griffiths | 21 November<br>2007 |
| 63/07<br>(9.8.07)   | Print and design future configuration   | Cabinet | Darrell Harman<br>65201  | Staff  | Cllr. Arif      | 21 November<br>2007 |
| 93/07<br>(10.10.07) | Energy supply and procurement<br>retender for appointment of the<br>Council's energy supplier   | Cabinet | Kevin Kendall<br>652801  | Legal, procurement   | Cllr. Arif      | 21 November<br>2007 |
| 28/07<br>(18.5.07   | Request for Council to act as<br>"accountable body" for proposed<br>Black Country-wide ESF delivery<br>and co-financing arrangements  | Cabinet | Steve Lewis<br>652534    | Black Country<br>Consortium, Black<br>Country Councils<br>Government Office<br>West Midlands | Cllr. Andrew    | 21 November<br>2007 |

| 25/07<br>(19.3.07)  | Barcroft School – use of<br>Birmingham City Council<br>consultancy framework design<br>services                                   | Cabinet | Kevin Kendal<br>652801                                    | Internal, Education<br>Walsall                 | Cllr. Andrew       | 21 November<br>2007 |
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| 18/07<br>(19.3.07)  | Boundary Court, Boundary Road,<br>Streetly – possible use of<br>compulsory purchase powers  | Cabinet | Steve Law<br>652075                                       | Internal                                       | Cllr. Andrew       | 21 November<br>2007 |
| 59/07<br>(9.8.07)   | To gain "in principle" support for<br>the pursuit of compulsory<br>purchase orders to help deliver<br>the office corridor project | Cabinet | Paul Nicholson<br>652489<br>Richard<br>Chadwick<br>652576 | Walsall Regeneration<br>Company                | Cllr. Andrew       | 21 November<br>2007 |
| 90/07<br>(10.10.07) | Disposal of land at Goscote   | Cabinet | Steve Law<br>652075                                       |  | Cllr. Andrew       | 21 November<br>2007 |
| 91/07<br>(10.10.07) | Former Bloxwich Neighbourhood<br>Office   | Cabinet | Steve Law<br>652075                                       |  | Cllr. Andrew       | 21 November<br>2007 |
| 92/07<br>(10.10.07) | Corporate Asset Management<br>Plan  | Cabinet | Steve Law<br>652075                                       |  | Cllr. Andrew       | 21 November<br>2007 |
| 43/07<br>(9.7.07)   | Charging for personal care in extra care housing schemes  | Cabinet | Andrew Cross<br>658381                                    | Partners                                       | Cllr.<br>McCracken | 21 November<br>2007 |
| 88/07<br>(10.10.07) | Approval to retender for<br>Domiciliary Care Services   | Cabinet | Karen Reilly  | Staff, partner<br>organisers, users,<br>carers | Cllr.<br>McCracken | 21 November<br>2007 |
| 61/07<br>(9.7.07)   | Education capital programme – approval of further schemes   | Cabinet | Susan Lupton<br>686231                                    | Stakeholders                                   | Cllr. Zahid Ali    | 19 December<br>2007 |
| 86/07<br>(10.10.07) | Review of additionally resourced<br>Special Educational Needs<br>provision  | Cabinet | Susan Lupton<br>686231                                    |  | Cllr. Zahid Ali    | 19 December<br>2007 |
| 87/07<br>(10.10.07) | Options for the future<br>management of Connexions  | Cabinet | Louise Hughes<br>652895                                   |  | Cllr. Zahid Ali    | 19 December<br>2007 |
| 93/07<br>(10.10.07) | Annual Community Safety<br>Plan   | Cabinet | Nozmul Hussain<br>686274                                  | Safer Walsall Borough<br>Partnership, LNPs     | Cllr. Perry        | 19 December<br>2007 |

| 94/07<br>(10.10.07)      | Public Service Agreement Action<br>Plan 1 – reducing crime                                 | Cabinet | Nozmul Hussain<br>686274 | Safer Walsall Borough<br>Partnership, LNPs   | Cllr. Perry        | 19 December<br>2007 |
|--------------------------|--|---------|--------------------------|--|--------------------|---------------------|
| 59/06<br>(18.8.06)       | Mellish Road Methodist Church – authorisation for further action                           | Cabinet | Simon Tranter<br>652543  | English Heritage   | Cllr. Andrew       | 19 December<br>2007 |
| 67/06<br>(18.8.06)       | Darlaston Strategic Development<br>Area – authorisation to publish<br>orders and processes | Cabinet | Steve Pretty<br>652598   | Walsall Regeneration<br>Co., Environment<br>Agency, British<br>Waterways, statutory<br>undertakers, AWM  | Cllr. Harris       | 19 December<br>2007 |
| 66/07<br>(9.7.07)        | Education capital programme – approval of further schemes                                  | Cabinet | Susan Lupton<br>686231   | Stakeholders   | Cllr. Zahid Ali    | 16 January<br>2008  |
| 67/07<br>(9.7.07)        | Home to school transport policy  | Cabinet | Susan Lupton<br>686231   | Stakeholders   | Cllr. Zahid Ali    | 16 January<br>2008  |
| 68/07<br>(9.8.07)        | Education contract preferred bidder recommendation   | Cabinet | Louise Hughes            |  | Cllr. Zahid Ali    | 16 January<br>2008  |
| 39/07<br>(18.5.07)       | Review of Licensing Act 2003 policy  | Council | John Beavon<br>652214    | Regulatory authorities,<br>emergency services,<br>Licensed trade<br>associations,<br>Pubwatch, Chamber of<br>Commence, voluntary<br>groups, health bodies,<br>internal | Cllr. Walker       | 16 January<br>2008  |
| 47/06<br>(19.7.06)       | Reconfiguration of mental health<br>services – reorganisation<br>proposals                 | Cabinet | Margaret Wilcox          | Staff, partner<br>organisations, users,<br>carers  | Cllr.<br>McCracken | 16 January<br>2008  |
| 79/07<br>(10.9.07)       | Supporting People Inspection<br>Action Plan  | Cabinet | Sue Byard<br>652605      | Internal, Voluntary sector service users   | Cllr.<br>McCracken | 16 January<br>2008  |
| 41/07<br>(9.7.07)        | Review of transport policy with a view to meeting savings targets                          | Cabinet | B. Fencott<br>652704     | Social care, and<br>inclusion, voluntary<br>sector, service users  | Cllr.<br>McCracken | 16 January<br>2008  |
| 81/07<br><i>(9.7.07)</i> | Education capital programme – approval of further schemes                                  | Cabinet | Susan Lupton<br>686231   | Stakeholders   | Cllr. Zahid Ali    | 6 February<br>2008  |

| 82/07<br>(9.8.07)  | Extended Schools Developments 2008 to 2010 | Cabinet            | Carl Britton<br>686282   | Schools               | Cllr. Zahid Ali | 6 February<br>2008                        |
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| 83/07<br>(18.5.07) | Sustainable community strategy             | Cabinet<br>Council | Karen Adderley<br>652058 | Scrutiny panels, LNPs | Cllr. O'Hare    | 6 February<br>2008<br>25 February<br>2008 |

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| (9.7.07)  | Determination of admission<br>arrangements to Community and<br>Voluntary Controlled Schools                    | Cabinet           | Susan Lupton<br>686231                                  | Stakeholders, schools,<br>Diocesan bodies  | Cllr. Zahid Ali   | 19 March<br>2008                 |
| (9.8.07)  | Strategy for the development of<br>Children's Centres 2008 to 2010   | Cabinet           | Carl Britton<br>686282                                  | Stakeholders,<br>children's services,<br>health, private,<br>voluntary and<br>independent sector | Cllr. Zahid Ali   | 19 March<br>2008                 |
| (10.10.07)  | Award of contract for the host<br>organisation for LINKs   | Cabinet           | Lawrence<br>Brazier 653471                              |  | Cllr. Arif  | 19 March<br>2008                 |
| (9.7.07)  | Education capital programme – approval of further schemes  | Cabinet           | Susan Lupton<br>686231                                  | Stakeholders   | Cllr. Zahid Ali   | 16 April 2008                    |