



Walsall Council

Economy and Environment Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Meeting to be held on: **24 November 2022 AT 6.00PM**

Meeting to be held at: Council Chamber

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MEMBERSHIP:

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Councillor M. Bird – Leader of the Council
Councillor A. Andrew – Deputy Leader and Regeneration
Councillor G. Perry – Deputy Leader and Resilient Communities
Councillor K. Murphy – Clean and Green
Councillor M. Statham – Education and Skills
Councillor G. Flint – Health and Wellbeing

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

1.	Apologies To receive apologies for absence from Members of the Committee.	
2.	Substitutions To receive notice of any substitutions for a Member of the Committee for the duration of the meeting.	
3.	Declarations of interest and party whip To receive declarations of interest or the party whip from Members in respect of items on the agenda.	
4.	Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 (as amended) To agree that the public be excluded from the private session during consideration of the agenda items indicated for the reasons shown on the agenda.	
5.	Minutes of the previous meeting To approve the minutes of the meeting on 20 October 2022.	To Follow
ITEMS FOR SCRUTINY		
6.	Off-road Bikes To consider information in relation to enforcement of use of off-road bikes and initiatives to reduce their use.	To Follow
7.	Corporate Financial Performance – Quarter 2 (August) Financial Monitoring Position For 2022/23 To provide the budget monitoring position for Period 5 2022/23.	Enclosed
8.	Town Centre Delivery To provide an update in relation to the delivery of town centre regeneration.	Enclosed
ITEMS FOR OVERVIEW		
9.	Areas of focus – 2021/22 To consider the areas of focus for the Committee during 2022/23.	Enclosed
10.	Forward Plans To receive the latest Forward Plans: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cabinet • Black Country Joint Executive Committee • West Midlands Combined Authority Board 	Enclosed

11.	Recommendation Tracker To consider progress on recommendations from the previous meeting.	Enclosed
12.	Date of next meeting To note the date of the next meeting will be 17 January 2023.	

The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012

Specified pecuniary interests

The pecuniary interests which are specified for the purposes of Chapter 7 of Part 1 of the Localism Act 2011 are the interests specified in the second column of the following:

Subject	Prescribed description
Employment, office, trade, profession or vocation	Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain.
Sponsorship	<p>Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from the relevant authority) made or provided within the relevant period in respect of any expenses incurred by a member in carrying out duties as a member, or towards the election expenses of a member.</p> <p>This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Regulations (Consolidation) Act 1992.</p>
Contracts	<p>Any contract which is made between the relevant person (or a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest) and the relevant authority:</p> <p>(a) under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and</p> <p>(b) which has not been fully discharged.</p>
Land	Any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of the relevant authority.
Licences	Any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of the relevant authority for a month or longer.
Corporate tenancies	<p>Any tenancy where (to a member's knowledge):</p> <p>(a) the landlord is the relevant authority;</p> <p>(b) the tenant is a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest.</p>
Securities	<p>Any beneficial interest in securities of a body where:</p> <p>(a) that body (to a member's knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of the relevant authority; and</p> <p>(b) either:</p> <p>(i) the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or</p> <p>(ii) if the share capital of that body is more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.</p>

Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972 (as amended)

Access to information: Exempt information

Part 1

Descriptions of exempt information: England

1. Information relating to any individual.
2. Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.
3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).
4. Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under, the authority.
5. Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.
6. Information which reveals that the authority proposes:
 - (a) to give any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or
 - (b) to make an order or direction under any enactment.
7. Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime.
8. Information being disclosed during a meeting of a Scrutiny and Performance Panel when considering flood risk management functions which:
 - (a) Constitutes a trades secret;
 - (b) Its disclosure would, or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of any person (including the risk management authority);
 - (c) It was obtained by a risk management authority from any other person and its disclosure to the public by the risk management authority would constitute a breach of confidence actionable by that other person.

DATE: 24 NOVEMBER 2022

**CORPORATE FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE – QUARTER 2 (AUGUST) FINANCIAL
MONITORING POSITION FOR 2022/23**

Ward(s) All

Portfolio: Councillor A. Andrew – Deputy Leader, Regeneration
Councillor G. Perry – Deputy Leader, Resilient Communities
Councillor K. Murphy – Clean and Green

1. Aim

To provide the budget monitoring position for Period 5 2022/23. The Chair requested that this item be considered by the Committee.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 To note the revenue and capital forecast for the financial year-end 2022/23 for the services that fall under the remit of the committee.

3. Report detail – know

- 3.1 The current net revenue forecast position, after the net use of reserves is (£0.432m) underspend. The current net capital position is a proposed £30.699m carry forward.

- 3.2 Reasons for the current position are shown in Table 1 below:

Table 1 – Explanation of over and underspends across services		
Service	Variance £m	Explanation of Year End Variance
Cultural Service	-0.063	One off staffing underspends due to vacant posts.
Clean & Green Services	-0.695	Reduced waste disposals costs partly offset by vehicle fuel overspend (due to cost of living).
Leisure & Bereavement	-0.144	Underspend on staffing due to vacant posts one off and casuals and over recovery of bereavement income.
Highways & Transportation	0.323	Overspend due to contractual inflation and traffic lights electricity costs due to cost of living.
Emergency Planning	-0.018	Staff underspend due to delay in recruitment.
Library services	-0.078	One off staffing underspends due to vacant posts.
Regulatory Services	0.217	Overspend on legal fees for unauthorised Encampments and under recovery of Kingdom enforcement income.
EE Management	0.026	Overspend on staffing.
Total Services within remit of this Committee	-0.432	

3.3 The forecast revenue position by service is shown in Table 2 below:

Table 2- Forecast Revenue Outturn 2022/23					
Service	Annual Budget	Year End Forecast Variance	Planned Use of Reserves	Action Plan	Variance after Reserves & Action Plan
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Cultural Service	1.201	-0.063	0.000	0.000	-0.063
Planning Services & Building Control	0.798	0.140	-0.140	0.000	0.000
Regeneration & Development	0.516	0.990	-0.990	0.000	0.000
Programme Management	0.136	0.340	-0.340	0.000	0.000
Clean & Green Services	19.302	-0.611	-0.084	0.000	-0.695
Leisure & Bereavement	-0.631	-0.172	0.028	0.000	-0.144
Highways & Transportation	9.335	4.582	-4.258	0.000	0.323
Emergency Planning	0.210	-0.018	0.000	0.000	-0.018
Library services	2.331	-0.078	0.000	0.000	-0.078
Regulatory Services	1.074	0.217	0.000	0.000	0.217
EE Management	0.437	0.026	0.000	0.000	0.026
Total Services within remit of this Committee	34.709	5.353	-5.784	0.000	-0.432

3.5. Reserves

The total allocated reserves for Economy and Environment in 2022/23 are £30.679m of which net £5.784m has been used or committed to date. Table 3 below details the current net use of reserves included within the forecast.

Table 3 - Summary of use of reserves and transfer to reserves				
Reserve Details	Allocated reserve	Use of reserve	Transfer to reserve	Balance of reserve
	£m	£m	£m	£m
Cultural Service	0.429	0.000	0.000	0.429
Planning Services & Building Control	0.801	-0.140	0.000	0.661
Regeneration & Development	2.995	-0.990	0.000	2.005
Programme Management	2.212	-0.506	0.166	1.872
Clean & Green Services	1.523	-0.084	0.000	1.439
Leisure & Bereavement	0.592	0.000	0.028	0.620
Highways & Transportation	21.973	-4.667	0.409	17.714
Emergency Planning	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Library services	0.004	0.000	0.000	0.004
Regulatory Services	0.138	0.000	0.000	0.138
EE Management	0.013	0.000	0.000	0.013
Total Reserves	30.679	-6.387	0.603	24.895

3.6. Risks

For the services under the remit of this committee, there are a number of risks totalling **£0.168m** which have not been included within the above forecast. At this stage the risks are not certainties and as such are not included in the monitoring position. High risks of **£0.078m** are included in the corporate monitoring report to CMT. If the risks become certainties, they will need to be included in the forecast position as overspends unless alternative action can be identified to mitigate these costs. A summary of the risk assessment is included in Table 4 below.

Table 4 – Revenue Risks 2022/23				
Risk	Value £k	Ongoing £k	One Off £k	Actions to manage risk
High	78	0	78	Economy and Environment continue to identify possible in year mitigations and review budgets as part of Council's MTFO plan.
Medium	60	0	60	
Low	30	0	30	
Total	168	0	168	

The main high risk (Red risk) that could negatively impact the current forecast position should it occur is detailed further in Table 5 below.

Table 5- High risks		
Service	Reason / explanation of risk	£k
Clean and Green	Outcome of the co-mingled proposals for Oct 2021 to March 2022	78
Total High Risks		78

3.7 Service Transformation Plan Benefits

Included within the budget for 2022/23 for services within the remit of this Committee are £1.985m of approved savings. Table 6 gives an early indication of the progress towards implementing these benefits:

Table 6: Delivery of 2022/23 approved savings – services within the remit of this Committee					
Saving	Total savings £m	Delivered (Blue) £m	To be delivered by 31/03/23 (Green) £m	Not fully guaranteed (Amber) £m	Not achieved (Red) £m
OP66 - COVID 19 reset of the Street Cleansing service	0.049	0.049	0.000	0.000	0.000
OP78 - Cost effective procurement of new fitness equipment	0.035	0.000	0.035	0.000	0.000
OP79 - Bloxwich Active Living Centre landing development	0.081	0.000	0.081	0.000	0.000
OP103 - Review of existing fees and charges within Place & Environment	0.030	0.000	0.030	0.000	0.000
P9 - Charge developers for travel plans– alternate savings to be identified	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
OP62/65 - Clean, Green & Leisure restructure and delivery model review	0.602	0.143	0.000	0.000	0.459
OP109/113 PART - 2% increase in bereavement fees and charges.	0.064	0.000	0.064	0.000	0.000
NEW - Premium bulky waste collection service	0.015	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
NEW - Capitalisation of staff working on waste contracts	0.086	0.086	0.000	0.000	0.000
NEW - Reallocation of highways and transport capital grant to capitalise street furniture and car park resurfacing costs	0.197	0.197	0.000	0.000	0.000
ALT6 - Capitalisation of wheeled bin stock.	0.180	0.180	0.000	0.000	0.000
NEW - Use of unallocated bus lane and parking income reserve.	0.055	0.055	0.000	0.000	0.000
NEW - Holding of posts - Resilience Unit	0.020	0.020	0.000	0.000	0.000
NEW - Additional vacancy management to freeze non-essential post involved in restructure (OP62 & OP65) and build in 3 month recruitment lag to posts outside restructure.	0.021	0.000	0.021	0.000	0.000
NEW - Further efficiencies relating to Customer Access Management	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
NEW - Bookable Gyms	0.030	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.030
NEW - One off use of Section 38 income	0.030	0.030	0.000	0.000	0.000
NEW - Street lighting savings	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
NEW - Offer residential gardening service	0.030	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
OP21 - Capitalisation of posts - maximise external funding	0.025	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.025

OP74 - Heritage and culture / Arts and events - increase fees and charges	0.009	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.009
OP113 - Regeneration & Economy holding of vacancies and one off efficiencies	0.151	0.000	0.151	0.000	0.000
OP109 - Regeneration & Economy holding of vacancies and one off efficiencies	0.109	0.000	0.109	0.000	0.000
OP113 - Efficiencies relating to Customer Access Management - Resilient Communities	0.084	0.000	0.084	0.000	0.000
OP103/104 - Reduction in operational costs within resilient communities	0.022	0.000	0.022	0.000	0.000
NEW - Review of Libraries management	0.061	0.000	0.020	0.000	0.040
Total approved savings for services within remit of Committee	1.985	0.760	0.616	0.000	0.564

Each benefit is “BRAG” categorised as follows:

- Blue (delivered);
- Green (on track to be delivered with no issues at year end of 2022/23);
- Amber (not guaranteed at this stage but no major issues expected, some management action needed to ensure delivery) or,
- Red - (at high risk of not being achieved either in part or in full and therefore a robust delivery plan is required);

3.8 Capital Summary

The total capital programme budget for the services under the remit of the committee is £77.880m with the current forecast position projected to £47.181m for Period 5 (August) as detailed in Table 7 below. The proposed £30.699m carry forward is split across a number of service areas with the largest carry forward being £9.554m for Middlemore Lane HWRC, which is currently going through the tendering process with construction due to commence in May 2023.

Table 7- Capital Forecast 2022/23					
	Annual Budget	Actual Year to Date	Forecast	Year End Variance	Proposed carry f/wd to 2022/23
Service	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
<u>Council Funded</u>					
Clean and Green	1.265	0.038	0.745	-0.520	-0.520
Leisure and Bereavement	0.228	0.033	0.228	0.000	0.000
Engineering & Transportation	11.829	0.320	9.620	-2.209	-2.209
Regeneration & Development	11.509	0.937	4.452	-7.057	-7.057
Total Council Funded	24.831	1.328	15.045	-9.786	-9.786
<u>Prudential Borrowing</u>					
Clean and Green	16.079	2.927	5.954	-10.125	-10.125
Total Prudential Borrowing	16.079	2.927	5.954	-10.125	-10.125
<u>External Funded</u>					
Clean and Green	0.473	0.012	0.473	0.000	0.000
Leisure and Bereavement	2.601	0.508	2.601	0.000	0.000
Engineering & Transportation	10.649	1.776	8.096	-2.553	-2.553
Regeneration & Development	10.581	6.837	9.750	-0.831	-0.831
Programme Management	12.666	0.299	5.262	-7.404	-7.404
Total External Funded	36.970	9.432	26.182	-10.788	-10.788
TOTAL	77.880	13.687	47.181	-30.699	-30.699

4 Financial information

- 4.1 The financial implications are as set out in the main body of this report. The council has a statutory responsibility to set a balanced budget and to ensure it has an adequate level of reserves. The council will take a medium term policy led approach to all decisions on resource allocation.

5. Reducing Inequalities

- 5.1 Services consider and respond to equality issues in setting budgets and delivering services. Irrespective of budgetary pressures, the Council must fulfil equal opportunities obligations.

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6. Decide

- 6.1 To approve the recommendations as set out in this report.

7. Respond

- 7.1 The Executive Director for Economy, Environment and Communities, with finance in support will be working with Directors and Heads of service to review the forecast, to continue to implement actions for any further forecasts and to consider these financial implications in line with the council's budget setting process.

8. Review

- 8.1 Regular monitoring reports are presented to Cabinet to inform them of the financial forecast for 2022/23, including an update on risks and impact on the budget for 2022/23 and beyond.

Background papers: Various financial working papers

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24 NOVEMBER 2022

Town Centre Delivery

Ward(s): St Matthew's

Portfolios: Regeneration

1. Aim

Walsall Council is showing leadership and vision by promoting growth and development in the town centre, to create an greatly improved environment which will encourage investment and greatly enhance the experience of all those who visit and regularly use the town centre.

2. Recommendations

Members are invited to comment upon the planned interventions in the town centre with particular reference to how we engage with our partners and communities, and how we ensure that all residents and businesses can benefit from the work of the Council with its funding and development partners. Members will be asked to consider this through a presentation given at the meeting.

3. Report detail – know

- 3.1 In 2019 the Council produced and published its Town Centre Masterplan. This identified a number of objectives to enhance the lived experience, built environment and economic performance of the town centre and the accompanying benefits to delivery. Elements considered included housing, jobs, land values, transport improvements, public and green spaces, health and wellbeing, investment attracted and revenue generated for the Council.
- 3.2 The Town Centre Masterplan also identified specific areas for development of retail, markets, performing arts, residential, commercial and educational uses. The plan went on to look at the Council's role in bringing some of these sites forward and delivering a set of strategic catalytic interventions which would accelerate progress and bring partners on board. Some of the core principles of the Town Centre Masterplan were as follows:
- Create quality leisure and cultural experiences
 - Centralise the retail core
 - Create strong visual links between transport hubs and key town centre locations

- Provide better pedestrian and cycle connectivity between town centre and key facilities
 - Linked quality public spaces which improve legibility and provide a range of public uses
 - Balanced residential offer which meets the housing need
 - Smart use of existing buildings to reduce carbon footprint
- 3.3 After the events of 2020 and the impact of Covid, it became necessary to consider specially designed interventions to support the recovery of the high street and a number of public health, safety and cleanliness activities were delivered funded by the government's Welcome Back Fund and Accelerated Towns Fund. The Council engaged with the public to understand the concerns of residents in terms of how they experience the Town Centre and accordingly addressed these concerns with funded programme activity to clean up the town centre and make it attractive for visitors once more. Public realm works such as the now famous plant pots were installed and this has increased the coverage of Walsall town centre in media worldwide.
- 3.4 In 2021 some significant funding was secured and programme activity designed for key regeneration schemes in Walsall. The Connected Gateway programme, funded by the Future High Street Fund, allocated £11.44m to Walsall to deliver a scheme which improves connectivity between the train and bus station, delivers greatly improved public space in between the two and delivers to the core of the town centre a space which is enjoyable and easy to use and visit. Walsall Council has invested £24.63m into this scheme, showing the commitment and leadership required to transform a town centre.
- 3.5 Also the government's Town Deal programme was agreed. The objective of the Towns Fund was to drive economic regeneration in order to deliver a legacy of long-term economic growth and increased productivity. In achieving those aims it funds schemes which deliver urban regeneration, skills and enterprise infrastructure and/or connectivity. Walsall was successful in securing, through locally developed Town Investment Plans, £21.3m each for Walsall and Bloxwich Town Centres.
- 3.6 Council Officers together with appointed consultants were asked by Government, as part of the bidding process, the Town Investment Plans (TIPs) for both Bloxwich and Walsall areas. Places were asked to develop a vision for each area, details of stakeholder engagement undertaken, together with details of the projects proposed, the funding requested, delivery / funding plans and the outcomes expected.
- 3.7 The Town Investment Plans were submitted to Government in February 2021 and in July 2021 the award offers of £21.3m each for Walsall and Bloxwich were made, a total of £42.6m investment in the borough of Walsall.
- 3.8 The response to Government from the Council, acting as Accountable Body, was been completed and all required project confirmation documentation and

financial profiles for all projects were agreed with government for both Town Deal areas.

- 3.9 The next step, as agreed by the Town Deal Board, was to develop business cases for each scheme in the form of the HM Treasury Green Book 5-case model. The scheme leads developed these business cases, bringing in specialist support where necessary; this complex and critical process is nearing completion and business cases are undergoing independent appraisal; these, on approval by the Board, will trigger release of the Town Deal funding.

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- 3.10 Work is now ongoing to complete business cases for the projects set out in these Town Investment Plans. Programme activity is as follows:

- **Construction Skills Academy:** Providing a range of construction skills training to ensure Walsall residents benefit from the investment in house building and construction in the town and the wider area.
- **Advanced Electric Vehicle Technology Centre** The provision of a new training facility to provide learning opportunities in the new and emerging electric vehicle market, delivered in partnership with Walsall College.
- **Town Centre Theatre** An exciting new 1000+ seater, multi-use entertainment and performance arena within Walsall Town Centre, creating a destination venue.
- **Active Travel and Connectivity:** active connections including cycling and walking - between Walsall town centre, Bloxwich high street, and local employment sites such as Phoenix 10.
- **Digital Skills Hub** : Creating a new digital skills hub in Walsall town centre. Aimed at accelerating digital growth and a 'ready to go' employable workforce
- **The Creative Industries Enterprise Centre:** Creation of a makerspace, creative incubator and skills development hub. Aimed at small enterprises and local residents.
- **Active Public Spaces** Developing an inviting, engaging and quality public space which better links the high street to the New Art Gallery and edge of town retail.
- **Community Capital** :Grants programme for local Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) and social enterprise organisations to bid into

Bloxwich Town Deal

- 3.11
- **Active travel & connectivity** - promoting healthy travel and links between the centre and employment area. A range of interventions to the road and canal infrastructure to improve the pedestrian experience and safety through improved footways, lighting, CCTV, signage.
 - **Promotion of construction skills through regeneration**—Seeking applications from local housing associations and developers to support the remediation of existing derelict brownfield sites, and the environmental upgrading of existing dwellings. Leveraging local jobs for local people, use of

local supply chains and the delivery construction skills and training for local people

- **Community capital fund** - A small grants scheme for VCS organisations
- **Incubation space and digital access centre** -A facility on the high street to provide incubation space for local start-ups and small businesses and allow access to digital connectivity for local residents who do not have home access to broadband. Provision of co-working rented spaces for businesses to collaborate and provides an income stream for the facility
- **Green Bloxwich** - Improving community health and wellbeing. Creating multi-use spaces - new parks, sports arenas, allotment spaces for growing food and zones to attract and encourage wildlife. Including the refurbishment of heritage buildings with King George V Park, to bring them into economic use.

3.12 While working to develop and deliver these schemes, the Council is also working to understand the regeneration potential of key sites in the town centre, and identifying a role in terms of bringing the sites forward, working with partners to effect land assembly, funding, delivery plans and operator models. In this way we can lead a comprehensive package of investment and intervention which will deliver homes, jobs and thriving business and leisure activity in the town.

3.13 Given the many changes that have taken place through the pandemic in terms of town centre use, plus the funding opportunities that we are now managing in terms of Town Deal and Connected Gateway, it has been proposed that a refresh of the Town Centre Masterplan takes place. This will review the proposed use of space in the town centre to ensure that we are still working to create the best town centre for the needs of today's residents and businesses.

4. *Financial information*

4.1 The Council manages an investment pipeline which contains many regeneration elements and. Alongside the considerable amounts of external funding secured through regeneration bids, investment cases are made for match funding in order to ensure that the Council is matching and supporting the funding we receive from various sources.

4.2 Rigorous assurance processes go into building business cases for investment and the Council's Finance, Regeneration, Property, Procurement and Planning teams work successfully together to ensure that value for money and sounds delivery planning is carried out.

5. *Reducing Inequalities*

5.1 It is crucial that all residents, communities and businesses benefit from the interventions created to improve the town centre's development. To this end, equalities impact assessments are carried out on all schemes and community consultation is factored in wherever appropriate.

6. *Decide*

- 6.1 Options for scheme development and delivery are considered at Strategic Investment Board, programme governance groups and by Members through Cabinet and committees. These options include the “do nothing” choice alongside a variety of levels of investment and risk allocation. It is through groups such as Overview and Scrutiny that alternative options and risks can be raised and considered.

7. Respond

- 7.1 Options for delivery of these schemes come forward to Cabinet as they are developed and Members’ comments will be taken into account as received through various fora.

8. Review

- 8.1 The programme activity is reviewed and monitored through programme boards and through Council governance structures. There will also, with externally funded programmes, be reporting and monitoring requirements from the funder and these will be developed, scrutinised and signed off through internal governance structures.

Background papers

None

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Economy and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee – Area of Focus – 2022/23

Committee responsible for all aspects and general services related to the economy and environment including:

Responsibility of scrutiny of flood risk management functions which may affect the Local Authority's area as required by the Flood and Water Management Act 2010

And the scrutinising of performance in relation to the relevant priority in the Council Plan: Enable greater local opportunities for all people, communities and businesses.

Agenda Items							
Theme	7 July 2022	29 September 2022	20 October 2022	24 November 2022	17 January 2023	28 February 2023	13 April 2023
Economy		LEP Report	Bus Network Update		Willenhall and Darlaston Railway Stations	Willenhall Framework Plan	Phoenix 10
Environment	Petition regarding pedestrian crossing on Birmingham Road, Aldridge	Cemetery Maintenance	Street Scene Strategy	Off-road Bikes	Bonfires		
Cross cutting both Economy and Environment	Areas of Focus Portfolio Holder Presentations	Portfolio Holder Presentations – Cllrs Andrew and Perry		Town Centre Regeneration Update Quarter 2 Budget monitoring			

Economy and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee – Area of Focus – 2022/23

*Quarter 1 and Quarter 3 Financial reports will be circulated via e-mail to Members of the Committee and will not form part of the Committee's Agenda.

Items to be scheduled:

1. District Town Centres Update;
 2. The Council's Waste Strategy – new HWRC and Transfer Station
 3. Partnership working with West Midlands Police on traffic speed enforcement.
 4. West Midlands Local Transport Plan
 5. Derelict Properties Taskforce
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- An update on Walsall's Heritage strategy



FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS

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7 November 2022

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 craig.goodall@walsall.gov.uk and 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.

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 (craig.goodall@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 £500,000.
- (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.

**FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS
DECEMBER 2022 TO MARCH 2023 (7.11.22)**

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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
110/22 (6.6.22)	Draft Revenue Budget and Draft Capital Programme 2023/24 to 2026/27: To provide an updated medium term financial outlook, draft revenue budget and capital programme for 2023/24 to 2026/27, including savings proposals, and to set out the process and timescales for setting a legally balanced budget for 2023/24.	Cabinet Non-key Decision	Vicky Buckley Vicky.Buckley@walsall.gov.uk	Public Internal Services	Cllr Bird	14 December 2022
121/22 (8.8.22)	Corporate Financial Performance 2022/23: To report the financial position based on 7 months to October 2022, including the impact of Covid-19.	Cabinet Non-key Decision	Vicky Buckley Vicky.Buckley@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Cllr Bird	14 December 2022
123/22 (8.8.22)	Treasury Management Mid Year Position Statement 2022/23: The council is required through regulations issued under the Local Government Act 2003 to produce a mid-year position statement reviewing	Cabinet Non-key Decision	Lloyd Haynes Lloyd.Haynes@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Cllr Bird	14 December 2022

	treasury management activities and prudential and treasury indicator performance.					
135/22 (10.10.22)	Renewal of the Council's insurance arrangements from 1st April 2023: To seek delegated authority to renew the Council's insurance arrangements from 1 April 2023	Cabinet Key Decision	Cabinet Report 14 February 2018 - Renewal of the Council's Insurance Arrangements from 1 April 2018 Marc Cox Marc.Cox@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Cllr Bird	14 December 2022
157/22 (7.11.22)	Streamlining Black Country Ways of Working – Black Country Consortium: To provide an update on finalising an agreed way forward for streamlining ways of working across the Black Country, many of which have historically been coordinated through and by Black Country Consortium Ltd (BCC Ltd). The report builds from the agreements to date on the transition of the Black Country Local Enterprise Partnership and the collaborative Black Country based approach for the future accountability of LEP legacy funds utilising Association of Black Country Authorities as a mechanism if and when required. <i>This will be a private session report containing commercially sensitive information.</i>	Cabinet Key Decision	Sarah Middleton (Chief Executive, Black Country Consortium Ltd.) Sarah_Middleton@blackcountryconsortium.co.uk	Association of Black Country Authority Leaders	Cllr Bird	14 December 2022

107/22 (6.6.22)	Procurement of Corporate Landlord Strategic Partner: To seek approval to the appointment of a strategic partner to support the programme of capital schemes related to the council's property portfolio.	Cabinet Key Decision	Nick Ford Nick.Ford@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Cllr Andrew	14 December 2022
136/22 (10.10.22)	Black Country Enterprise Zone-Gasholders Site: To update on the direction of travel and seek approvals in relation to the preferred delivery approach, project funding and next steps to bring forward the site for employment generating uses. <i>This will be a private session report containing commercially sensitive information.</i>	Cabinet Key Decision	Caroline Harper Caroline.Harper@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Cllr Andrew	14 December 2022
137/22 (10.10.22)	Willenhall Framework Plan: Phase 1 Developer Partner Procurement Approach and Funding Update: To provide an update on the preferred developer partner procurement approach and funding position. <i>This will be a private session report containing commercially sensitive information.</i>	Cabinet Key Decision	Kauser Agha Kauser.Agha@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services Legal (External)	Cllr Andrew	14 December 2022
144/22 (7.11.22)	UK Shared Prosperity Fund: To authorise officers to accept funding allocation for UK Shared Prosperity	Cabinet Key Decision	Philippa Venables Philippa.Venables@walsall.gov.uk	Internal services	Cllr Andrew	14 December 2022

	Fund and to utilise for project activity aligned with UK Shared Prosperity Fund Investment Plan.					
145/22 (7.11.22)	Town Centre Theatre Project: To agree next steps for the Town Deal Theatre project, setting out funding implications and options. <i>This will be a private session report containing commercially sensitive information.</i>	Cabinet Key Decision	Philippa Venables Philippa.Venables@walsall.gov.uk	Internal services	Cllr Andrew	14 December 2022
158/22 (07.11.22)	Walsall Economic Strategy To approve an economic strategy for the borough.	Cabinet Key Decision	Philippa Venables Philippa.Venables@walsall.gov.uk	Internal services	Cllr Andrew	14 December 2022
126/22 (8.8.22)	Strategic acquisition of a freehold heritage building in Walsall Town Centre: To seek approval to the freehold acquisition of a heritage property in Walsall Town Centre to support the preservation of the property. <i>This will be a private session report containing commercially sensitive information.</i>	Cabinet Key Decision	Nick Ford Nick.Ford@walsall.gov.uk Bryte Legister Bryte.Legister@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Cllr Andrew	14 December 2022
125/22 (8.8.22)	Housing First contract award: To approve the contract award enabling the continuation of flexible support to former rough sleepers housed through the Housing First initiative.	Cabinet Key Decision	Neil Hollyhead Neil.Hollyhead@walsall.gov.uk	Internal services, service users, external stakeholders	Cllr Ali	14 December 2022

	<i>This will be a private session report containing commercially sensitive information.</i>					
146/22 (7.11.22)	Home Upgrade Grant (HUGs) Round 2 Procurement and Update: To approve the use of a Framework to appoint contractors to deliver government funds to help residents with retro-fit works where they are not on the gas network.	Cabinet Key decision	David Lockwood David.Lockwood@walsall.gov.uk	Public, Internal Services	Councillor Ali	14 December 2022
138/22 (10.10.22)	Food for Life Contract: Cabinet is asked to delegate authority to the Director of Public Health to enter into appropriate contractual arrangements from 1 st April 2023 until 31 st March 2024, and subsequently authorise the sealing or signing of associated contracts, deeds or other related documents for the Food for Life contract.	Cabinet Key Decision	Esther Higdon Esther.Higdon@walsall.gov.uk Paul Nelson Paul.Nelson@walsall.gov.uk	Internal services	Cllr Flint	14 December 2022
130/22 (6.9.22)	Sexual Health and 0-19 Contracts: To approve the extension of the integrated sexual health service, contract delivered by Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust from 01 April 2023 to 31 March 2024; and To delegate authority to the Executive Director of Adult Social Care, Public Health and Hub in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Health and Wellbeing to extend contracts on behalf	Cabinet Key Decision	Tony Meadows, Interim Director of Commissioning Tony.Meadows@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Cllr Flint	14 December 2022

	of the Council and to subsequently authorise the variations to the contractual arrangements for the services should this be required at any time during the term, in line with Public Contract Regulations and the Council's Contract Rules to 31 March 2024.					
156/22 (7.11.22)	Healthy Lifestyles Contract and Smoking Cessation Contract Extensions: To delegate authority to the Director of Public Health and the Portfolio Holder for Health and Wellbeing. This will allow them to extend contracts on behalf of the Council and to subsequently authorise the variations to the contractual arrangements for the services should this be required at any time during the term, in line with Public Contract Regulations and the Council's Contract Rules.	Cabinet Key Decision	Joe Holding Joe.Holding@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Cllr Flint	14 December 2022
147/22 (7.11.22)	We Are Walsall 2040: Consultation Feedback: To note the key findings from the consultation activities carried out over summer/autumn 2022, which will inform the We Are Walsall 2040 strategic borough plan.	Cabinet Non-key decision	Karen Griffiths Karen.Griffiths@walsall.gov.uk Policy & Strategy Unit (policyandstrategy@walsall.gov.uk)	Internal Services, Local partners/ stakeholders	Cllr Perry Cllr Wilson	14 December 2022

148/22 (7.11.22)	Food Law Service Plan: The Food Standards Agency (FSA) requires all local authorities to prepare an annual service delivery plan to reflect the work required of food authorities by the FSA, under the requirements of the Food Standards Act 1999 and the framework agreement on local authority enforcement. In accordance with this requirement a Food Law Enforcement Service Plan 2022/23 has been prepared and a decision is required from members to obtain authority to approve this plan	Cabinet Council Non-key decision	Paul Rooney Paul.Rooney@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Cllr Perry 	14 December 2022 Council, 9 January 2023
129/22 (5.9.22)	Update on Resilient Communities Safer Streets Programme: To report back on Safer Streets activity and recommend any adjustments/additions to the programme.	Cabinet Non-key Decision	Paul Gordon Paul.Gordon@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Cllr Perry 	14 December 2022
149/22 (7.11.22)	Electronic Calls Monitoring Contract Extension: To approve the extension of the ECM contract with Access UK Ltd.	Cabinet Key Decision	Tracy Simcox Tracy.Simcox@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Cllr Pedley 	14 December 2022
124/22 (8.8.22)	Schools Mainstream Local Funding Formula 2023/24: That Cabinet approves the Mainstream Local Funding Formula, to be used for	Cabinet Key Decision	Walsall Schools Forum report December 2022 – Proposed Schools Local Funding Formula 2023/24. 	Internal Services Schools Forum	Cllr M. Statham 	14 December 2022

	the allocation of mainstream funding to schools in Walsall		ESFA – Schools revenue funding operation guide. Richard Walley Richard.Walley@walsall.gov.uk			
159/22 (7.11.22)	Secondary School Sufficiency: To approve funds for the creation of an additional 150 places in three Secondary Schools.	Cabinet Key Decision	Alex Groom Alex.Groom@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services Local partners/stake holders	Cllr. M. Statham	14 December 2022
160/22 (7.11.22)	Special School Sufficiency: To begin feasibility works to create to additional places in SEN Schools to meet additional demands.	Cabinet Key Decision	Alex Groom Alex.Groom@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services Local partners/stake holders	Cllr. M. Statham	14 December 2022
141/22 (10.10.22)	Corporate Financial Performance 2022/23: To report the financial position based on 9 months to December 2022, including the impact of Covid-19.	Cabinet Non-key decision	Vicky Buckley Vicky.Buckley@walsall.gov.uk	Corporate Management Team and Internal Services	Cllr Bird	8 February 2023
142/22 (10.10.22)	Corporate Budget Plan 2023/24 – 2026/27, incorporating the Capital Strategy and the Treasury Management and investment Strategy 2023/24: To recommend the final budget and council tax for approval by Council.	Cabinet Key Decision	Vicky Buckley Vicky.Buckley@walsall.gov.uk	Public Internal Services	Cllr Bird	8 February 2022 Council, 23 February 2023

150/22 (7.11.22)	Payments Project Contract Award: To award a contract to Capita/Pay360 Ltd (soon to be Access Group Ltd) for the provision of Pay 360 Licences and Capita/Pay360 Ltd services.	Cabinet Key Decision	Janice Freeman-Phillips Janice.Freeman-Phillips@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Cllr Bird	8 February 2023
155/22 (7.11.22)	Council Plan: Review of Achievements 2021/22: To note the Review of Achievements for 2021/22, highlighting successes and progress towards achieving our Council priorities.	Cabinet Non-key decision	Meresh Kumari (meresh.kumari@walsall.gov.uk) Elizabeth Connolly (elizabeth.connolly@walsall.gov.uk)	Internal Services	Cllr Bird	8 February 2023
151/22 (7.11.22)	Introduction of Council Tax Premium on unoccupied but furnished properties: Levy the premium on properties that are unoccupied and unfurnished for more than 12 months. Effective from 1 April 24.	Cabinet to make recommendation to Full Council Key Decision	Mark Fearn Mark.Fearn@walsall.gov.uk	Part of budget consultation	Cllr Ali	8 February 2023
140/22 (10.10.22)	High Needs Funding Formula: To approve changes to the High Needs Funding Formula, as agreed by Schools Forum, to be used for the allocation of Dedicated Schools Grant – High Needs Block to schools in Walsall for the 2023/24 financial year.	Cabinet Key Decision	Richard Walley Richard.Walley@walsall.gov.uk Schools' Forum reports October 2022, December 2022 and January 2023. Page 30 of 43	Internal Services, Schools Forum	Cllr M. Statham	8 February 2023

152/22 (7.11.22)	Renewal of the Council's Oracle Cloud Licenses: To renew the Council's Oracle cloud Licenses required for the operation of the Council's One Source system for HR, Payroll, Finance and Procurement from May 2023.	Cabinet Key Decision	Ian Tuft Ian.Tuft@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Cllr Bird Cllr Ferguson	22 March 2023
153/22 (7.11.22)	Walsall's Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy 2022 to 2027: To approve Walsall's Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy, 2022 to 2027.	Cabinet Key Decision	Neil Hollyhead Neil.Hollyhead@walsall.gov.uk	Internal services, service users, external stakeholders	Cllr Ali	22 March 2023
154/22 (7.11.22)	Early Years Funding Formula: To approve the Early Years Formula, as agreed by Schools Forum, to be used for the allocation of funding to early years providers in Walsall.	Cabinet Key Decision	Cabinet Report 17 March 2022 Early Years Funding Formula Walsall Schools Forum report March 2022 – Proposed Early Years Funding Formula Cabinet report 8 February 2017 Early Years National Funding Formula Walsall Schools Forum report 20 September 2016 - Update on National Funding Formula Original consultation document from government regarding the	Schools Forum Internal Services	Cllr M. Statham	22 March 2023

			<p>implementation of a national early years funding formula</p> <p>Government's response to the early years consultation and fact sheet</p> <p>Richard Walley</p> <p>Richard.Walley@walsall.gov.uk</p>			
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Black Country Executive Joint Committee

Forward Plan of Key Decisions Published up to March 2023

Date Created	Key Decision	Contact Officer	Main consultee	Date of meeting
	Black Country Executive Joint Committee Governance			
09/05/2022	Future working arrangements of the Black Country Executive Joint Committee Consider the future working arrangements in light of the receipt of Government correspondence dated 31 March 2022: Integrating Local Enterprise Partnerships into local democratic institutions.	Sarah Middleton Sarah.Middleton@blackcountryconsortium.co.uk	Dudley MBC Sandwell MBC Walsall MBC City of Wolverhampton Council	01/02/2023
06/06/2022	Governance Principles: Enterprise Zones Approval of the amended Supplemental Deed of Governance Principles: Enterprise Zones, relating to the Black Country Executive Joint Committee Collaboration Agreement.	Simon Neilson Simon.neilson@walsall.gov.uk	Walsall Council	01/02/2023

Date Created	Key Decision	Contact Officer	Main consultee	Date of meeting
	Land and Property Investment Fund (LPIF)			
03/10/2022	Willenhall Garden City - Phase 1 (Moat Street and Villiers Street) Approval for the Accountable Body for the Land and Property Investment Fund (Walsall Council) to proceed to enter into a Grant Agreement with Green Square Accord Ltd, to deliver the Land and Property Investment Fund (LPIF), funded elements of the Willenhall Garden City – Phase 1 (Moat street and Villiers Street) with delivery to commence in the 2022/23 financial year.	Simon Neilson Simon.neilson@walsall.gov.uk	Walsall Council	01/02/2023
03/10/2022	Dudley Brownfield Land Programme Approval for the Accountable Body for the Land and Property Investment Fund (Walsall Council) to proceed to enter into a Grant Agreement with Dudley Council, to deliver the Land and Property Investment Fund (LPIF), funded elements of the Dudley Brownfield Land	Helen Martin Helen.Martin@dudley.gov.uk	Dudley Council	01/02/2023

Date Created	Key Decision	Contact Officer	Main consultee	Date of meeting
	Programme with delivery to commence in the 2022/23 financial year.			
07/11/2022	<p>Wolverhampton Stowheath Redevelopment for Housing</p> <p>Approval for the Accountable Body for the Land and Property Investment Fund (Walsall Council) to proceed to enter into a Grant Agreement with Wolverhampton City Council, to deliver the Land and Property Investment Fund (LPIF), funded elements of the Stowheath Redevelopment for Housing project with delivery to commence in the 2022/23 financial year.</p> <p>Where the full grant amount cannot be met with LPIF grant funding, the balance will be made up of residual BC LEP funding and investment.</p>	<p>Richard Lawrence Richard.Lawrence@wolverhampton.gov.uk</p>	<p>City of Wolverhampton Council</p>	<p>01/02/2023</p>

Date Created	Key Decision	Contact Officer	Main consultee	Date of meeting
	Local Growth Fund (LGF)			
07/11/2022	YMCA Cleveland Road Approval for the Accountable Body for the Growth Deal (Walsall Council) to proceed to amending its Grant Agreement for the YMCA Cleveland Road project, to deliver the Local Growth Fund (LGF) funded elements of the YMCA Cleveland Road project with delivery to continue in the 2022/23 financial year.	Richard Lawrence Richard.Lawrence@wolverhampton.gov.uk	City of Wolverhampton Council	01/02/2023

WEST MIDLANDS COMBINED AUTHORITY FORWARD PLAN: OCTOBER 2022 - JULY 2023

Title of Report	Summary of purpose and recommendations	Lead Portfolio Holder	Lead Officer	Confidential	Category
Meeting 18 November 2022					
Regional Activity & Delivery Update	<p>Purpose: To provide an update on the activity and delivery across the region since the last meeting.</p> <p>Recommendation(s): To note the report.</p>	n/a	Laura Shoaf	No	n/a
Appointment of Independent Directors to the Board of Midland Metro Ltd.	<p>Purpose: To appoint directors to sit on the board of MML.</p> <p>Recommendation(s):</p>	Cllr Ian Ward	Anne Shaw / Satish Mistry	No	Transport
Transport Governance Review	<p>Purpose: To consider the recommendations arising from a review into the WMCA's transport governance arrangements.</p> <p>Recommendations(s): To approve the recommendations proposed to improve the WMCA's transport governance.</p>	Cllr Ian Ward	Satish Mistry / Anne Shaw	No	Governance
Trailblazer Devolution Deal Update	<p>Purpose: To provide an update on the latest work being undertaken in support of the WMCA's Trailblazer Devolution Deal.</p> <p>Recommendation(s):</p>	Cllr Brigid Jones	Ed Cox	No	Levelling Up

Title of Report	Summary of purpose and recommendations	Lead Portfolio Holder	Lead Officer	Confidential	Category
Single Assurance Framework	<p>Purpose: The National Local Growth Assurance Framework Guidance has a mandated requirement for each combined authority to review their assurance framework annually. There is also a further requirement for separate annexes for the assurance approaches for housing, transport and skills.</p> <p>Recommendation(s): To approve the assurance framework.</p>	Cllr Bob Sleigh	Linda Horne	No	Finance
Rail Programme Update	<p>Purpose: To provide an update on the current Rail Programme activity.</p> <p>Recommendations:</p>	Cllr Ian Ward	Anne Shaw	No	Transport
Meeting 13 January 2023					
Regional Activity & Delivery Update	<p>Purpose: To provide an update on the activity and delivery across the region since the last meeting.</p> <p>Recommendation(s): To note the report.</p>	n/a	Laura Shoaf	No	n/a
Draft WMCA Budget 2023/234	<p>Purpose: To approve the WMCA's draft 2023/24 budget for consultation.</p> <p>Recommendation(s):</p>	Cllr Bob Sleigh	Linda Horne	No	Finance
Financial Monitoring 2022/23	<p>Purpose: To outline the latest financial position of WMCA and provide an update on any current financial matters affecting WMCA.</p>	Cllr Bob Sleigh	Linda Horne	No	Finance

Title of Report	Summary of purpose and recommendations	Lead Portfolio Holder	Lead Officer	Confidential	Category
	Recommendation(s):				
LEP Integration Plan	Purpose: To approve the proposed integration plan for LEPs. Recommendation(s):	Cllr Ian Brookfield	Julie Nugent	No	Economy & Innovation
Race Equalities Taskforce	Purpose: Recommendation(s):	Cllr Kerrie Carmichael	Ed Cox	No	Strategy, Integration & Net Zero
Wednesbury - Brierley Hill Metro Extension Funding Mitigation Measures	Purpose: To consider the latest progress in securing the mitigation measures for addressing the funding gap identified for phase 1 of the project and to close the funding gap for the full scheme. Recommendation(s):	Cllr Ian Ward	Linda Horne	Yes	Transport
City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement - Metro Line 1 Business Case	Purpose: To consider the business case for essential renewal work to core elements of the existing line, including sections of key systems to ensure they continued to function correctly and avoided interruption to the service on the current routes. Recommendation(s): To approve the business case.	Cllr Ian Ward	Anne Shaw	No	Transport
Meeting 10 February 2023					
Regional Activity & Delivery Update	Purpose: To provide an update on the activity and delivery across the region since the last meeting.	n/a	Laura Shoaf	No	n/a

Title of Report	Summary of purpose and recommendations	Lead Portfolio Holder	Lead Officer	Confidential	Category
	Recommendation(s): To note the report.				
WMCA Budget 2023/234	Purpose: To approve the WMCA's 2023/24 budget. Recommendation(s):	Cllr Bob Sleigh	Linda Horne	No	Finance
Meeting 24 March 2023					
Regional Activity & Delivery Update	Purpose: To provide an update on the activity and delivery across the region since the last meeting. Recommendation(s): To note the report.	n/a	Laura Shoaf	No	n/a
Financial Monitoring 2022/23	Purpose: To outline the latest financial position of WMCA and provide an update on any current financial matters affecting WMCA. Recommendation(s):	Cllr Bob Sleigh	Linda Horne	No	Finance
Meeting 9 June 2023					
Regional Activity & Delivery Update	Purpose: To provide an update on the activity and delivery across the region since the last meeting. Recommendation(s): To note the report.	n/a	Laura Shoaf	No	n/a

Title of Report	Summary of purpose and recommendations	Lead Portfolio Holder	Lead Officer	Confidential	Category
Appointment of WMCA Boards and Committees 2023/24	<p>Purpose: To approve consider the appointments to boards, chairs and meetings dates for 2023/24.</p> <p>Recommendation(s): That the report be approved.</p>	n/a	Satish Mistry	No	Governance
Overview & Scrutiny Committee Annual Report	<p>Purpose: To consider a report setting out the activity of overview & scrutiny during 2022/23.</p> <p>Recommendation(s): That the report be noted.</p>	n/a	Satish Mistry	No	Governance
Financial Monitoring 2022/23	<p>Purpose: To outline the latest financial position of WMCA and provide an update on any current financial matters affecting WMCA.</p> <p>Recommendation(s):</p>	Cllr Bob Sleigh	Linda Horne	No	Finance
Meeting July 2023					
Regional Activity & Delivery Update	<p>Purpose: To provide an update on the activity and delivery across the region since the last meeting.</p> <p>Recommendation(s): To note the report.</p>	n/a	Laura Shoaf	No	n/a
Financial Monitoring 2022/23	<p>Purpose: To outline the latest financial position of WMCA and provide an update on any current financial matters affecting WMCA.</p>	Cllr Bob Sleigh	Linda Horne	No	Finance

Title of Report	Summary of purpose and recommendations	Lead Portfolio Holder	Lead Officer	Confidential	Category
	Recommendation(s):				

Committee Meeting Date	Agenda Item	Action/Recommendation	Officer responsible	Status	Target Completion Date	Notes
7 July 2022	Response to petition: 'Pedestrian Crossing for Birmingham Road, Aldridge, enabling the safety of school children'	S106 funding schemes in Aldridge to be reviewed to see if any funding could be secured for the crossing in this way.	Katie Moreton	Completed		The Development Monitoring Officer who starts on 3 October will provide improved resource to review this matter. Unlikely that previous S106 funds can be used as each S106 specifies what works the obligations are to cover as it has to be related specifically to the development proposed.
20 October 2022	Urgent Item: Bus Matters – Bus Network Update	Presentation and report be circulated to all Members of the Council.	Sian Lloyd	Completed		Sent out by email 21/10/2022.