

# 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. The plan is available for public inspection at the Civic Centre Reception, Darwall Street, Walsall. Copies of the plan can be obtained from Democratic Services, Walsall MBC, Council House, Walsall, WS1 1TW, 01922 654522. The forward plan can also be accessed from the Council's website at <a href="https://www.walsall.gov.uk">www.walsall.gov.uk</a>. The Cabinet is allowed to make urgent decisions which do not appear in the forward plan, however, a notice will be included on the agenda for the relevant Cabinet meeting which explains the reasons why.

Please note that the decision dates are indicative and are subject to change. Please contact the above addressee if you wish to check the date for a particular item.

Cabinet responsibilities are as follows

Leader of the Council – Councillor Bird
Deputy Leader and Regeneration – Councillor Andrew
Adult social care – Councillor Martin
Children's – Councillor Wilson
Clean and green – Councillor Butler
Community, leisure and culture – Councillor Perry
Education and skills – Councillor Towe
Health and wellbeing – Councillor Craddock
Personnel and business support – Councillor Chattha

The Cabinet agenda and reports are available for inspection by the public 7 days prior to the meeting of the Cabinet. The papers can be seen at First Stop Shop at the Civic Centre, Walsall. The papers are also available on the Council's website referred to above shortly before the meeting. Background papers are listed on each report submitted to the Cabinet and members of the public are entitled to see these documents unless they are confidential. The report also contains the name and telephone number of a contact officer. These details can also be found in the forward plan.

Meetings of the Cabinet are open to the public and take place in Conference Room 2 at the Council House, Walsall. Occasionally there are items included on the agenda which are confidential and for those items the public will be asked to leave the meeting. The forward plan will show where this is intended and the reason why the reports are confidential. Enquiries regarding these reasons should be directed to Democratic Services on 01922 654522.

"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.

### Dates of meetings 2019/20

2019 19 June

17 July

4 September

23 October

18 December

2020 12 February

18 March

22 April

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## **APRIL TO JULY 2020 (2.3.20)**

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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
14/20 (3.2.20)	Review of achievements 2019/20: The report presents a review of some of the key achievements during the 2019/20 year in relation to the Council's Corporate Plan 2018-2021	Cabinet (Non key decision)	Helen Dudson 01922 653732	Internal	Councillor Bird	22 April 2020
27/19 (8.7.9)	A34 Walsall to Birmingham sprint scheme: To approve the sprint scheme	Cabinet (Key decision)	Matt Crowton 01922 654358	Internal	Councillor Andrew	22 April 2020
68/19 (2.12.19)	West Midlands Enhanced Partnership Scheme for the A34: To approve a plan to improve bus travel in the A34 Walsall to Birmingham corridor through delivery of a new SPRINT service.	Cabinet (Key decision)	Matt Crowton 01922 654358	Internal	Councillor Andrew	22 April 2020
3/20 (6.1.20)	Strategic development at Moxley Road, Darlaston Private session: Report contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person	Cabinet (Key decision)	Joanne Nugent 01922 654752 Joel Maybury 01922 654748	Internal	Councillor Andrew	22 April 2020
43/18 (8.10.18)	Lighting Invest to Save: To consider proposals for a major investment in the highway lighting infrastructure by replacing all existing lighting with energy efficient LED lighting	Cabinet (Key decision)	Paul Leighton 01922 654695	Public, Walsall Public Lighting Ltd., industry companies, internal	Councillor Andrew	22 April 2020

59/19 (4.11.19)	Walsall's Allocations policy: To approve the policy which determines who is given priority for affordable housing	Cabinet (Key decision)	Neil Hollyhead 01922 655411	Public, Housing Associations, internal	Councillor Andrew	22 April 2020
8/20 (3.2.20)	Black Country Transport Team Collaboration Agreement: To approve the agreement to facilitate the delivery of a strategic transportation function across the four Black Country local authorities	Cabinet (Non key decision)	Matt Crowton 01922 654358	Internal	Councillor Andrew	22 April 2020
17/20 (2.3.20)	Birchills Childcare: To seek approval of the preferred option following consultation on future provision	Cabinet (Key decision)	Julie Jones 01922 655412	Staff, service users (parents/carers)	Councillor Wilson	22 April 2020
12/20 (3.2.20)	Surveillance and access to communications data: To recommend to Council for approval:  • Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000: The Council's Corporate Policy and Procedures  • Investigatory Powers Act 2016: The Council's Corporate Policy and procedures on the Acquisition of Communications Data  To delegate authority to the Executive Director Economy and Environment to make minor amendments to the above policies	Cabinet/ Council (Non key decision)	Lorraine Boothman 01922 653065	Internal	Councillor Perry	22 April 2020 (Council 19 May 2020)
18/20 (2.3.20)	Safer Walsall Partnership: To approve revised Terms of Reference	Cabinet (Non key decision)	Paul Gordon 07792 920257	Safer Walsall Partnership, internal	Councillor Perry	22 April 2020
13/20 (3.2.20)	Fire Alarm maintenance: To award the maintenance contract Private session: Report contains commercially sensitive information	Cabinet (Key decision)	lan Lister 01922 652536	Internal	Councillor Chattha	June 2020

16/20	Waste transfer station and Household	Cabinet	Mark Holden	Internal	Councillor	June 2020
(2.3.20)	waste recycling centres: To decide on		01922 654201		Butler	
	the potential location and future service	(Key	Stephen			
	provision	decision)	Johnson			
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