



## **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.

Cabinet responsibilities are as follows

- Leader of the Council – Councillor Bird
- Deputy Leader, Regeneration – Councillor Andrew
- Deputy Leader, Resilient Communities – Councillor Perry
- Adult social care – Councillor Martin
- Children’s– Councillor Wilson
- Clean and green – Councillor Butler
- 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 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:

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- (i) any decision in relation to an executive function which results in the Council incurring expenditure which 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**

2020 28 October  
9 December

2021 10 February  
17 March  
21 April

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JANUARY TO APRIL 2021 (7.12.20)

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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
8/20 (3.2.20)	<b>Black Country Transport Team Collaboration Agreement:</b> 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 <a href="mailto:matt.crowton@walsall.gov.uk">matt.crowton@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal	Councillor Andrew	10 February 2020
27/19 (8.7.9)	<b>A34 Walsall to Birmingham SPRINT (Bus Rapid Transit) scheme – Phase 1:</b> To approve the sprint scheme	Cabinet  (Key decision)	Matt Crowton 01922 654358 <a href="mailto:matt.crowton@walsall.gov.uk">matt.crowton@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal	Councillor Andrew	10 February 2020
68/19 (2.12.19)	<b>West Midlands Enhanced Partnership Scheme:</b> 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 <a href="mailto:matt.crowton@walsall.gov.uk">matt.crowton@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal	Councillor Andrew	10 February 2020
43/18 (8.10.18)	<b>Lighting Invest to Save:</b> 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 07831 120871 <a href="mailto:paul.leighton@walsall.gov.uk">paul.leighton@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Public, Walsall Public Lighting Ltd., industry companies, internal	Councillor Andrew	10 February 2020
58/20	<b>Citizens advice Walsall:</b> To approve	Cabinet	Elise Hopkins	Internal	Councillor	10 February

(2.11.20)	variation of grant agreement	(Key decision)	<a href="mailto:elise.hopkins@walsall.gov.uk">elise.hopkins@walsall.gov.uk</a> Michelle Dudson <a href="mailto:michelle.dudson@walsall.gov.uk">michelle.dudson@walsall.gov.uk</a>		Andrew/ Councillor Perry	2020
35/20 (7.9.20)	<b>Preparing for Adulthood policy:</b> To approve a new policy to deliver timely and robust plans for young people preparing for adulthood	Cabinet  (Key decision)	Jeanette Knapper <a href="mailto:jeanette/knapper@walsall.gov.uk">jeanette/knapper@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal, SEND Improvement Board, Health operational partners and CCG	Councillor Martin	10 February 2020
48/20 (5.10.20)	<b>Access and Inclusion:</b> Response to report and recommendations of Education Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Cabinet  (Non key decision)	Sharon Kelly 01922 652895 <a href="mailto:sharon.kelly@walsall.gov.uk">sharon.kelly@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal	Councillor Towe	10 February 2020
62/20 (2.11.20)	<b>Appointment of Major works technical advisor:</b> To provide services such as architects, quantity surveyors, engineers, etc. for a period of 2 + 1 + 1 years for corporate landlord	Cabinet  (Key decision)	Derwyn Owen 01922 650747 <a href="mailto:derwyn.owen@walsall.gov.uk">derwyn.owen@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal	Councillor Chattha	10 February 2020
45/20 (7.9.20)	<b>Corporate Financial Performance and Covid-19 update</b> – To report the financial position based on 9 months to December 2020 and impact on Covid-19	Cabinet  (Non key decision)	Vicky Buckley 01922 652326 <a href="mailto:vicky.buckley@walsall.gov.uk">vicky.buckley@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal	Councillor Bird	10 February 2021
46/20 (7.9.20)	<b>Corporate Budget Plan 2020/21 – 2023/24, and Treasury Management and investment Strategy 2021/2022:</b> To approve the final budget and Council tax for approval by Council	Cabinet  (Key decision)	Vicky Buckley 01922 652326 <a href="mailto:vicky.buckley@walsall.gov.uk">vicky.buckley@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Council tax payers, Business rate payers, voluntary and community organisations	Councillor Bird	10 February 2021 25 February 2021
47/20 (7.9.20)	<b>Corporate Plan delivery – Quarter 3 monitoring:</b> To report performance monitoring information relating to the priorities and outcomes included in the Corporate Plan	Cabinet  (Non key decision)	Helen Dudson <a href="mailto:helen.dudson@walsall.gov.uk">helen.dudson@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal	Councillor Bird	10 February 2021

3/20 (6.1.20)	<b>Strategic development at Moxley Road, Darlaston Private session:</b> Report contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person	Cabinet  (Key decision)	Joel Maybury <a href="mailto:Joel.maybury@walsall.gov.uk">Joel.maybury@walsall.gov.uk</a> 01922 654748	Internal	Councillor Andrew	10 February 2021
51/20 (5.10.20)	<b>High Needs Funding Formula:</b> To approve changes to the formula to be used for the allocation of High Needs Dedicated Schools Grant funding for the 2021/22 academic year	Cabinet  (Key decision)	Andy Crabtree Mohammed Irfan 01922 652330	Schools Forum	Councillor Towe	10 February 2020