



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 John O'Hare
Children's services	Councillor Zahid Ali
Communities and partnerships	Councillor Garry Perry
Environment	Councillor Rachel Walker
Finance and personnel	Councillor Al Griffiths
Leisure and culture	Councillor Louise Harrison
Procurement, transformation and performance management	Councillor Mohammed Arif
Regeneration	Councillor Adrian Andrew
Social care, health and housing	Councillor Barbara McCracken
Transport	Councillor Anthony Harris

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

20 June
18 July
19 September
24 October
21 November
19 December

2008

16 January
6 February
19 March
16 April

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FEBRUARY TO MAY 2008 (7.1.08)**

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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
117/07 (10.12.07)	Approval of the Corporate Plan 2008/09 – setting out the Council's main objectives for the year	Cabinet	John Pryce-Jones 652077	Partners, staff, residents	Councillor O'Hare	6 February 2008
87/07 (10.10.07)	Options for the future management of Connexions	Cabinet	Louise Hughes 652895	Stakeholders, schools	Councillor Zahid Ali	6 February 2008
68/07 (9.8.07)	Education contract preferred bidder recommendation	Cabinet	Louise Hughes	Stakerholders, schools	Councillor Zahid Ali	6 February 2008
81/07 (9.7.07)	Education capital programme – approval of further schemes	Cabinet	Susan Lupton 686231	Stakeholders	Councillor Zahid Ali	6 February 2008
86/07 (10.10.07)	Review of additionally resourced Special Educational Needs provision	Cabinet	Connie Mergen	Stakerholders	Councillor Zahid Ali	6 February 2008
94/07 (10.10.07)	Public Service Agreement Action Plan 1 – reducing crime	Cabinet	Nozmul Hussain 686274	Safer Walsall Borough Partnership, LNPs	Councillor Perry	6 February 2008
107/07 (9.11.07)	Corporate Revenue Budget 2008/9 to 20012/13	Cabinet Council	Vicky Buckley 652349		Councillor Griffiths	6 Feb 2008 25 Feb 2008
108/07 (9.11.07)	Corporate Capital Budget 2008/9 to 2012/13	Cabinet Council	Vicky Buckley 652349		Councillor Griffiths	6 Feb 2008 25 Feb 2008
14/08 (7.1.08)	Transfer of the Welfare Rights Services to charitable trust status and consider action on the future of the Welfare Rights Service	Cabinet	Sharon Tait 652039	Institute of Revenues and Rating Valuation, Corporate scrutiny panel	Councillor Griffiths	6 February 2008
1/08 (7.1.08)	Corporate procurement strategy	Council	Lawrence Brazier 653471	Internal	Councillor Arif	6 February 2008

28/07 (18.5.07)	Request for Council to act as "accountable body" for proposed Black Country-wide ESF delivery and co-financing arrangements	Cabinet	Steve Lewis 652534	Black Country Consortium, Black Country Councils Government Office West Midlands	Councillor Andrew	6 February 2008
25/07 (19.3.07)	Barcroft School – use of Birmingham City Council consultancy framework design services	Cabinet	Kevin Kendal 652801	Internal, Education Walsall	Councillor Andrew	6 February 2008
18/07 (19.3.07)	Boundary Court, Boundary Road, Streetly – possible use of compulsory purchase powers	Cabinet	Steve Law 652075	Internal	Councillor Andrew	6 February 2008
114/07 (10.12.07)	Adoption of the Supplementary Planning Document for Urban Design "Designing a better Walsall"	Cabinet	Simon Tranter 652543	Statement of Community Involvement protocol	Councillor Andrew	6 February 2008
2/08 (7.1.08)	Willenhall Townscape Heritage – approval to prepare and submission of a stage 2 bid to the Heritage Lottery Fund	Cabinet	Simon Tranter 652543	English Heritage Willenhall LNP	Councillor Andrew	6 February 2008
3/08 (7.1.08)	Walsall acting as package owners for the Sustainable Urban Development (SUD) programme for the north Black Country and proceed with its development	Cabinet	Mark Lavender 652522	Local residents, businesses and key partners	Councillor Andrew	6 February 2008
4/08 (7.1.08)	Adoption of the "Think Walsall" approach and the associated Think Walsall Charter	Cabinet	Mark Lavender 652522	Local residents, businesses and key partners	Councillor Andrew	6 February 2008
6/08 (7.1.08)	Willenhall Town Centre regeneration – disposal of land to facilitate a major regeneration scheme including retail and housing development	Cabinet	Steve Pugh 652034		Councillor Andrew	6 February 2008

7/08 (7.1.08)	New European Social Fund programme – acceptance of memorandum of agreement between local authorities and the Learning and Skills Council	Cabinet	Mark Lavender 652522	Local residents, businesses and key partners	Councillor Andrew	6 February 2008
47/06 (19.7.06)	Reconfiguration of mental health services – reorganisation proposals	Cabinet	Margaret Wilcox	Staff, partner organisations, users, carers	Councillor McCracken	6 February 2008
41/07 (9.7.07)	Review of transport policy with a view to meeting savings targets	Cabinet	B. Fencott 652704	Social care, and inclusion, voluntary sector, service users	Councillor McCracken	6 February 2008
102/07 (9.11.07)	Hollybank House reprovision	Cabinet	Karen Reilly	Staff, partner organisations, users carers	Councillor McCracken	6 February 2008
67/06 (18.8.06)	Darlaston Strategic Development Area – authorisation to publish orders and processes	Cabinet	Steve Pretty 652598	Walsall Regeneration Co., Environment Agency, British Waterways, statutory undertakers, AWM	Councillor Harris	6 February 2008
116/07 (10.12.07)	Approval of the A34 North (Green Lane/Somerfield Rd/High St) Red Route and Route 301 (Walsall – Bloxwich) bus showcase proposals 2008/9	Cabinet	Stuart Freeman 652560	Local residents, businesses, bus users, bus operators, WMPTA- Centro	Councillor Harris	6 February 2008
5/08 (7.1.08)	Approval of the Council's Transport Capital Programme for 2008/9 to 2010/11	Cabinet	Stuart Freeman 652560	Neighbouring authorities, Centro, bus operators, Highways Agency,	Councillor Harris	6 February 2008
83/07 (18.5.07)	Sustainable community strategy	Cabinet Council	Clive Wright 654707	Partners, residents	Councillor O'Hare	19 March 2008

11/08 (7.1.08)	Local Area Agreement between the Council, as the accountable body for the Walsall Borough Strategic Partnership and central government	Cabinet	Tim Ferguson 652481	Partners	Councillor O'Hare	19 March 2008
94/07 (9.7.07)	Education capital programme – approval of further schemes	Cabinet	Susan Lupton 686231	Stakeholders	Councillor Zahid Ali	19 March 2008
95/07 (9.7.07)	Determination of admission arrangements to Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools	Cabinet	Susan Lupton 686231	Stakeholders, schools, Diocesan bodies	Councillor Zahid Ali	19 March 2008
67/07 (9.7.07)	Home to school transport policy	Cabinet	Susan Lupton 686231	Service users	Councillor Zahid Ali	19 March 2008
93/07 (10.10.07)	Annual Community Safety Plan	Cabinet	Nozmul Hussain 686274	Safer Walsall Borough Partnership, LNPs	Councillor Perry	19 March 2008
34/07 (19.4.07)	Outcome of street trading review – including displays on the highway	Cabinet	John Beavon 652214	Regulatory authorities, emergency services, Town centre partnerships, Chamber of Commerce, trade associations, stakeholders LNPs Internal	Councillor Walker	19 March 2008
12/08 (7.1.08)	Waste implementation plan – weekly collections of 140 litre wheeled bins and fortnightly collection of co-mingled recyclable materials in current 240 litre green wheeled bins	Cabinet	Mark Holden 652102	Public consultation	Councillor Walker	19 March 2008
103/07 (9.11.07)	Tender for the supply and servicing of library books and audio visual items	Cabinet	Stuart Smitton 710625		Councillor Harrison	19 March 2008

10/08 (7.1.08)	Strategic review of Leisure Centres – outline proposals for the Council’s major leisure assets	Cabinet	Chris Holiday 650339	Cabinet members	Councillor Harris	19 March 2008
97/07 (10.10.07)	Award of contract for the host organisation for LINKs	Cabinet	Lawrence Brazier 653471	Service users, health and care services	Councillor Arif	19 March 2008
59/06 (18.8.06)	Mellish Road Methodist Church – authorisation for further action	Cabinet	Simon Tranter 652543	English Heritage	Councillor Andrew	19 March 2008
120/07 (10.12.07)	Adoption of the Supplementary Planning Document “Conserving Walsall’s Natural Environment”	Cabinet	Simon Phipps 652469	Internal	Cllr Andrew	19 March 2008
91/07 (10.10.07)	Former Bloxwich Neighbourhood Office	Cabinet	Steve Law 652075		Councillor Andrew	19 March 2008
92/07 (10.10.07)	Corporate Asset Management Plan – management of the Council’s property portfolio	Cabinet	Steve Law 652075		Councillor Andrew	19 March 2008
9/08 (7.1.08)	The Regional Strategy Phase 2 revision – approval of response	Cabinet	Sandy Urquhart	N/A	Councillor Andrew	19 March 2008
8/08 (7.1.08)	Re-tender of residential and nursing care for older people	Cabinet	Anet Baker 658393	Staff, partner organisations, users, carers	Councillor McCracken	19 March 2008
104/07 (9.11.07)	Highways repair and maintenance partnered framework – approval of scope	Cabinet	Keith Stone 653301	Internal and prospective partners	Councillor Harris	19 March 2008
65/07 (9.8.07)	Free entitlement to early years education 2008 onwards	Cabinet	Carl Britton 686282 Janet Hosking 686220	Schools	Councillor Zahid Ali	16 April 2008
111/07 (9.7.07)	Education capital programme – approval of further schemes	Cabinet	Susan Lupton 686231	Stakeholders	Councillor Zahid Ali	16 April 2008
82/07 (9.8.07)	Extended Schools Developments 2008 to 2010	Cabinet	Carl Britton 686282	Schools	Councillor Zahid Ali	16 April 2008

96/07 (9.8.07)	Strategy for the development of Children's Centres 2008 to 2010	Cabinet	Carl Britton 686282	Stakeholders, children's services, health, private, voluntary and independent sector	Councillor Zahid Ali	16 April 2008
59/07 (9.8.07)	To gain "in principle" support for the pursuit of compulsory purchase orders to help deliver the office corridor project	Cabinet	Paul Nicholson 652489 Richard Chadwick 652576	Walsall Regeneration Company	Councillor Andrew	16 April 2008
13/08 (7.1.08)	Adoption of the Supplementary Planning Document for affordable housing	Cabinet	Neil Holyhead 653469	Housing developers, Social Landlords, Government agencies, residents	Councillor Andrew	16 April 2008
105/07 (9.11.07)	Parking strategy	Cabinet	Keith Stone 653301	Internal and prospective partners	Councillor Harris	16 April 2008
119/07 (10.12.07)	Decriminalised parking enforcement operational framework – approval of broad framework for directing enforcement activity across the borough	Cabinet	Paul Leighton 652458	PCT, Health Trust, Strategic Health Authority	Councillor Harris	16 April 2008
39/07 (18.5.07)	Review of Licensing Act 2003 policy	Council	John Beavon 652214	Regulatory authorities, emergency services, Licensed trade associations, Pubwatch, Chamber of Commerce, voluntary groups, health bodies, internal	Councillor Walker	21 April 2008

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(10.12.07)	Approval of sustainable travel to school strategy – response to new duties under the Education and Inspections Act	Cabinet	Laura Flemings 652437 Kate Mann 686361	Walsall Schools working party	Councillor Harris	June 2008