



**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” 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](mailto:Craig.Goodall@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.

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](mailto: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  
AUGUST 2022 TO NOVEMBER 2022 (04.07.22)**

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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
101/22 (4.4.22)	<p><b>Corporate Financial Performance 2022/23, approach to Budget Setting for 2023/24, and changes to the council's Tax Strategy:</b></p> <p>To report the financial position based on 2 months to May 2022, including the impact of Covid-19, and to set out our approach and timeline for the 2023/24 budget process and amendments to the Tax Strategy.</p>	Cabinet  Key Decision	Vicky Buckley  <a href="mailto:Vicky.Buckley@walsall.gov.uk">Vicky.Buckley@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Corporate Management Team and internal services	Cllr Bird	20 July 2022
112/22 (20.6.22)	<p><b>Accommodation Strategy and Proud Everywhere Update:</b></p> <p>Final appendix of the Strategic Asset Plan to be presented and agreed with an update of the works and costs to be approved in the capital programme required across the Civic Centre, Council House and wider Corporate Estate to ensure maximisation of use of assets and fit for purpose premises for staff, members and customers</p>	Cabinet  Key Decision	Strategic Asset Plan and appendices  Nick Ford  <a href="mailto:Nick.Ford@walsall.gov.uk">Nick.Ford@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal Services	Cllr Andrew	20 July 2022

<p>98/22 (7.3.22)</p>	<p><b>Statutory Advocacy Services:</b></p> <p>To receive an update on the recommissioning of these services and delegate authority to accept and award a contract.</p> <p><i>Private session report. Contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person.</i></p>	<p>Cabinet</p> <p>Key Decision</p>	<p>Tracy Simcox <a href="mailto:Tracy.Simcox@walsall.gov.uk">Tracy.Simcox@walsall.gov.uk</a></p>	<p>Internal Services</p>	<p>Cllr Pedley</p>	<p>20 July 2022</p>
<p>113/22 (20.6.22)</p>	<p><b>Adult Social Care – Extension of contractual arrangements:</b></p> <p>To approve:</p> <p>1) the extension of the interim contracts for Residential and Nursing Care Services for Older People, Complex Care and Mental Health Services from 1.4.23 to 31.3.24</p> <p>2) the extension of the current contractual arrangements for Community Based Services from 1.4.23 to 31.3.24.</p> <p>3) the extension of the current Supported Living Framework and agreement to spot purchase supported Living placements commencing from 26.1.23 to 25.1.24</p>	<p>Cabinet</p> <p>Key Decision</p>	<p>Cabinet Report 09/09/2020</p> <p>Jean Watson <a href="mailto:Jean.Watson@walsall.gov.uk">Jean.Watson@walsall.gov.uk</a></p>	<p>Internal</p>	<p>Cllr Pedley</p>	<p>20 July 2022</p>

108/22 (6.6.22)	<b>Town Deal:</b> To report for consideration business cases for the Town Deal.	Cabinet Key Decision	Philippa Venables <a href="mailto:Philippa.Venables@walsall.gov.uk">Philippa.Venables@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal Services, Town Deal Board members	Cllr Andrew	7 September 2022
106/22 (6.6.22)	<b>Treasury Management Annual Report:</b> To note and forward to Council, for consideration and noting (and in line with the requirements of the Treasury Management Code of Practice (2017)), the annual report for treasury management activities 2021/22 including prudential and local indicators.	Council Non-Key Decision	Treasury Management Code of Practice.  Richard Walley <a href="mailto:Richard.Walley@walsall.gov.uk">Richard.Walley@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal Services	Cllr Bird	7 September 2022
114/22 (4.7.22)	<b>West Midlands Enhanced Partnership Scheme for Buses (Variation):</b> To approve a revised scheme to improve bus travel in the West Midlands.	Cabinet Key Decision	Matt Crowton <a href="mailto:Matt.Crowton@walsall.gov.uk">Matt.Crowton@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Legal, Procurement, Finance, Economy & Environment	Cllr Andrew	7 September 2022
103/22 (9.5.22)	<b>Cannock Chase Special Area of Conservation:</b> To consider options for mitigation strategies in response to the requirement that all developments that would have Likely Significant Effects on the SAC need to provide mitigation for their impacts.	Cabinet Key Decision	Stuart Crossen <a href="mailto:Stuart.Crossen@walsall.gov.uk">Stuart.Crossen@walsall.gov.uk</a>  John Raine <a href="mailto:John.Raine@walsall.gov.uk">John.Raine@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal Services	Cllr Andrew	7 September 2022

115/22 (4.7.22)	<b>Refugee Resettlement support services contract award:</b> To approve the contract awards for: 1) Ukrainian Refugee Resettlement support; 2) Afghan Refugee Resettlement support; 3) UK Resettlement Scheme (UKRS).	Cabinet  Key Decision	Neil Hollyhead  <a href="mailto:Neil.Hollyhead@walsall.gov.uk">Neil.Hollyhead@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal services, service users, external stakeholders	Cllr Ali	7 September 2022
110/22 (6.6.22)	<b>Draft Revenue Budget and Draft Capital Programme 2023/24 to 2026/27:</b>  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  <a href="mailto:Vicky.Buckley@walsall.gov.uk">Vicky.Buckley@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Public, Internal Services	Cllr Bird	19 October 2022
111/22 (6.6.22)	<b>Corporate Financial Performance 2022/23:</b>  To report the financial position based on 5 months to August 2022, including the impact of Covid-19.	Cabinet  Non-key decision	Vicky Buckley  <a href="mailto:Vicky.Buckley@walsall.gov.uk">Vicky.Buckley@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Public, Internal Services	Cllr Bird	19 October 2022
107/22 (6.6.22)	<b>Procurement of Corporate Landlord Strategic Partner:</b>  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  <a href="mailto:Nick.Ford@walsall.gov.uk">Nick.Ford@walsall.gov.uk</a>	Internal Services	Cllr Andrew	19 October 2022

<p>116/22 (4.7.22)</p>	<p><b>Young person homelessness accommodation and support contract awards:</b></p> <p>To approve the contract awards for:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Dispersed temporary accommodation and intensive housing management;</li> <li>2) Supported lodgings, and Night Stop and Day Stop facility;</li> </ol>	<p>Cabinet</p> <p>Key Decision</p>	<p>Rashida Hussain</p> <p><a href="mailto:Rashida.Hussain@walsall.gov.uk">Rashida.Hussain@walsall.gov.uk</a></p>	<p>Internal services, service users, external stakeholders</p>	<p>Cllr Ali</p>	<p>19 October 2022</p>
<p>109/22 (6.6.22)</p>	<p><b>Schools Mainstream Local Funding Formula 2023/24:</b></p> <p>That Cabinet approves a full consultation with all schools for the Mainstream Local Funding Formula, to be used for the allocation of mainstream funding to schools in Walsall</p>	<p>Cabinet</p> <p>Key Decision</p>	<p>Schools Forum</p> <p>ESFA – Schools revenue funding operation guide</p> <p>Richard Walley</p> <p><a href="mailto:Richard.Walley@walsall.gov.uk">Richard.Walley@walsall.gov.uk</a></p>	<p>Schools Forum</p> <p>Cabinet</p>	<p>Cllr M. Statham</p>	<p>19 October 2022</p>