



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 helen.owen@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 (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:
 - (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.

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SEPTEMBER TO DECEMBER 2021 (2.8.21)**

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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
35/21 (10.5.21)	Corporate Plan 2021/22 - Quarter 1 Performance: To note reporting on the Markers of Success regarding the five priorities in the Corporate Plan.	Cabinet Non-key	Stephen Gunther Stephen.gunther@walsall.gov.uk Christine Williams Christine.williams2@walsall.gov.uk	Internal – Directors’ Group	Councillor Bird	8 September 2021
45/21 (2.8.21)	Delivery of Town Centre Regeneration Scheme To seek approval to the terms for the surrender of a lease required for the delivery of the Connected Gateway Scheme. <i>Contains commercially sensitive information.</i>	Cabinet Key Decision Private Session	Nick Ford, Team Leader – Asset Management Nick.ford@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Councillor Bird	8 September 2021
49/21 (7.6.21)	Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme: To agree a preferred option for a Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme and approval to undertake public consultation on that option.	Cabinet Non-key decision	Cabinet report 7 September 2016 Contact Officer Ian Savigar ian.savigar@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services, Key Stakeholders and staff.	Councillor Andrew	8 September 2021

39/21 (7.6.21)	Walsall Domestic Abuse Strategy: To agree the Strategy 2021 to comply with the new domestic Abuse Act 2020	Cabinet Key Decision	Domestic Abuse Strategy 2021 Domestic Abuse Need Assessment 2021 Domestic Abuse Act 2020 Simon Neilson Simon.neilson@walsall.gov.uk	Safer Walsall Partnership Internal Services	Councillor Perry	8 September 2021
46/21 (2.8.21)	Emotional Wellbeing and Therapeutic Support for Children and Young People in need: To approve entering into an appropriate agreement with the Black Country Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust to provide therapeutic services for children and young people in need, including those who are looked after.	Cabinet Key Decision	David DeMay David.demay@walsall.gov.uk	Internal services, Walsall CCG and Black Country Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust	Councillor Wilson	8 September 2021
40/21 (7.6.21)	Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education: There is a legal requirement to review/revise the Agreed Syllabus every five years. Cabinet is asked to endorse the Agreed Syllabus to ensure that the teaching of RE in schools is relevant and appropriate and recommend the Syllabus to Council for approval.	Cabinet Council Non-key Decision	Nick Perks Nick.perks@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education	Councillor Towe	8 September 2021
22/21 (8.3.21)	Walsall Council Housing Allocations Policy: To update the policy which sets the principles for the allocation of affordable housing	Cabinet Key Decision	Neil Hollyhead 07943 500394 Neil.hollyhead@walsall.gov.uk	Public, Housing Associations, Internal Services	Councillor Andrew	20 October 2021

37/21 (7.6.21)	Sale of Council land in Blakenall: To seek approval to the freehold disposal of Council land in Blakenall <i>Contains commercially sensitive information.</i>	Cabinet Key Decision Private Session	Nick Ford, Team Leader – Asset Management Nick.ford@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Councillor Andrew	20 October 2021
47/21 (2.8.21)	Walsall's Customer Experience Strategy 2021 to 2026: To approve the Strategy which sets out the Council's service transformation to meet customers' priorities and needs	Cabinet Key Decision	Elise Hopkins elise.hopkins@walsall.gov.uk Neil Hollyhead Neil.hollyhead@walsall.gov.uk	Public, partner organisations, elected members, internal staff	Councillor Andrew	20 October 2021
41/21 (7.6.21)	Intermediate Care Service (ICS) Review: to receive the outcome of the review and approve the Extension of the existing Transitional Bed contract	Cabinet Key decision	Tracy Simcox Tracy.simcox@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Councillor Martin	20 October 2021
44/21 5.7.21	Day care/day opportunities: To approve recommendations for the delivery of a menu of options for vulnerable people who require support to engage in meaningful community based activities as a result of ongoing needs around social care and inclusion,	Cabinet Key Decision	Cabinet report and the lessons learned from COVID report Jeanette Knapper 07500028537	Existing end users of traditional day services in house; Existing users and carers/parents of people accessing building based day opportunities; Carers Hub;	Councillor Martin Councillor Towe Councillor Wilson	20 October 2021

				FACE; frontline internal staff; external marketplace for day care.		
14/21 (8.3.21)	<p>Willenhall Masterplan: Strategic Land Acquisitions – in principle approval for the use of Compulsory Purchase Order powers.</p> <p><i>Contains commercially sensitive information.</i></p>	<p>Cabinet</p> <p>Key Decision</p> <p>Private Session</p>	<p>Willenhall Masterplan: Strategic Land Acquisitions.</p> <p>Joel.maybury@walsall.gov.uk</p>	Internal Services	Councillor Andrew	15 December 2021
48/21 (2.8.21)	<p>Affordable Housing commuted sums spend policy: To approve the use of affordable housing commuted sums (which are contributions secured through the planning process) to fund the provision of affordable housing to be used as temporary accommodation.</p>	<p>Cabinet</p> <p>Key Decision</p>	<p>Neil Hollyhead</p> <p>Neil.hollyhead@walsall.gov.uk</p>	Internal Services	Councillor Andrew	15 December 2021
49/21 (2.8.21)	<p>Domestic Abuse services contract award: To approve the contract awards for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the provision of Domestic Abuse emergency accommodation and support support to Domestic Abuse victims and their children <p><i>Note: there may be some commercially sensitive information which will need to be considered in private session</i></p>	<p>Cabinet</p> <p>Key Decision</p>	<p>Neil Hollyhead</p> <p>Neil.hollyhead@walsall.gov.uk</p> <p>Isabel Vanderheeren</p> <p>Isabel.vanderheeren@walsall.gov.uk</p>	Internal Services, service users, external stakeholders	Councillor Andrew Councillor Wilson	15 December 2021