



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 £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
JANUARY 2022 TO APRIL 2022 (6.12.21)**

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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
61/21 (6.9.21)	Corporate Financial Performance 2021/22 and Covid-19 update – To report the financial position based on 9 months to December 2021 and impact of Covid-19.	Cabinet Non-key decision	Vicky Buckley 01922 652326 Vicky.buckley@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Councillor Bird	9 February 2022
83/21 (1.11.21)	Joint Strategic Needs Assessment 2021: To note the refresh of the updated data by Council and partner officers and to assist with identification of priorities in the Joint Health & Wellbeing Strategy 2022-25.	Cabinet Non-key decision Council	Stephen Gunther Stephen.gunther@walsall.gov.uk	Internal services & Council partners through the Health and Wellbeing Board.	Councillor Bird Councillor Craddock	Cabinet 9 February 2022 Council 24 February 2022
85/21 (1.11.21)	Corporate Plan 2022-25: To agree the 2022-25 Corporate Plan which outlines the council's future priorities and objectives and recommend Council to approve.	Cabinet Non-key decision Council	Stephen Gunther Stephen.gunther@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Councillor Bird	Cabinet 9 February 2022 Council 24 February 2022
62/21 (6.9.21)	Corporate Budget Plan 2022/23 – 2024/25, incorporating the Capital Strategy; and the Treasury Management and investment Strategy 2022/23: To recommend the final budget and Council tax for approval by Council	Cabinet Key decision Council	Vicky Buckley 01922 652326 Vicky.buckley@walsall.gov.uk	Council tax payers, business rate payers, voluntary and community organisations	Councillor Bird	Cabinet 9 February 2022 Council 24 February 2022

78/21 (1.11.21)	Upgrade of education IT systems: Authority to procure software as a service (SaaS) cloud based education system via relevant procurement frameworks and associated costs	Cabinet Key decision	Helena Kucharczyk Helena.kucharczyk@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Councillor Bird	9 February 2022
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	Nick Ford, Team Leader – Asset Management Nick.ford@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Councillor Andrew	9 February 2022
14/21 (8.3.21)	Willenhall Masterplan: Strategic Land Acquisitions: In-principle approval for the use of Compulsory Purchase Order powers. <i>Contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person</i>	Cabinet Key decision Private Session	Willenhall Masterplan: Strategic Land Acquisitions. Joel.maybury@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Councillor Andrew	9 February 2022
79/21 (1.11.21)	Riverpoint Estate – response to recommendations of the Economy and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee: To consider options with regard to land between Riverpoint Estate and the former Willenhall Sewage Works.	Cabinet Key decision depends on options being developed	Nick Ford Nick.ford@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Councillor Andrew	9 February 2022

86/21 (1.11.21)	<p>Award of new contract(s) for Disabled Facility building works and other Housing related Works and Services</p> <p>To approve the award of new contracts for the period 1 march 2022 to 22 February 2027</p> <p><i>Note: The report contains commercially sensitive information to be considered in private session.</i></p>	Cabinet Key decision Private session	David Lockwood David.lockwood@walsall.gov.uk Bill Weston William.weston@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Councillor Andrew	9 February 2022
89/21 6.12.21	<p>Contractor Procurement Strategy for Connected Gateway Project: to approve a procurement strategy for the project which is a £36m project, part funded by Government's Future High Street Fund, which aims to better connect Walsall rail and bus stations, providing improvements to the Saddlers Centre and transformed public spaces.</p>	Cabinet Key decision	Peter Wright Interim Town Projects Manager. Peter.wright@walsall.gov.uk	Internal services	Councillor Andrew	9 February 2022
67/21 (4.10.21)	<p>Green Space Strategy: To agree an updated Green Space Strategy including a programme to improve and update/upgrade our children's playgrounds and to consider new/improved outdoor gym facilities</p>	Cabinet Key decision	Alan Bowley Alan.bowley@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services Ward Councillors	Councillor Butler	9 February 2022
90/21 (6.12.21)	<p>Fly tipping: To increase capacity and provide streamlined systems to ensure that fly-tipping and littering in the borough is reduced by focusing on key hotspots, identifying and fining perpetrators</p>	Cabinet Key decision	Paul.gordon@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Councillor Butler	9 February 2022

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	9 February 2022
84/21 (1.11.21)	Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2022-25: To agree the 2022-25 Joint Health and wellbeing Strategy which outlines agreed priority areas and how the Council and NHS will work together to improve health and reduce health inequalities in the borough; and to recommend Council to approve.	Cabinet Non-key decision Council	Stephen Gunther, Director of Public Health Stephen.gunther@walsall.gov.uk	Internal services, Integrated Care Partnership, Council partners through Health and Wellbeing Board.	Councillor Craddock Councillor Bird	Cabinet 9 February 2022 Council 24 February 2022
49/21 (2.8.21)	Domestic Abuse services contract award: To approve the contract awards for the provision of Domestic Abuse emergency accommodation and support; and support to Domestic Abuse victims and their children <i>Note: There may be commercially sensitive information to be considered in private session.</i>	Cabinet Key decision	Neil Hollyhead Isabel Vanderheeren Isabel.vanderheeren@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services, Service users external stakeholders	Councillor Andrew Councillor Wilson	9 February 2022
74/21 (4.10.21)	COVID Memorial Garden: To consider options for a COVID Memorial Garden	Cabinet Key decision	Dave Brown Dave.brown@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services. Stakeholders dependent upon options being developed	Councillor Perry	9 February 2022

87/21 (1.11.21)	Statutory Advocacy Services: To receive an update on the recommissioning of these services and delegate authority to accept and award a contract	Cabinet Key Decision	Tracy.simcox@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Councillor Pedley	9 February 2022
75/21 (4.10.21)	General building Repair and Maintenance Contract: To award the contract for the Council's general building repair and maintenance. <i>Note: Contains confidential information relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person</i>	Cabinet Key decision Private Session	Ian Lister Ian.Lister@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Councillor Statham	9 February
76/21 (4.10.21)	Mechanical and Electrical Service and Maintenance Contract: To approve the award of the contract award the contract for the Council's mechanical and electrical service and maintenance contract. <i>Note: contains confidential information relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person.</i>	Cabinet Key decision Private Session	Ian Lister Ian.lister@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Councillor Statham	9 February 2021
77/21 (4.10.21)	Supported Housing Repair and Maintenance Contract: To approve the award of the contract.	Cabinet	Ian Lister Ian.lister@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Councillor Statham	9 February
88/21 (1.11.21)	Corporate Plan 2021/22: To note the Quarter 3 performance against the Measures of Success in the Corporate Plan 2021/22	Cabinet Non-key decision	Stephen Gunther Stephen.gunther@walsall.gov.uk	Internal Services	Councillor Bird	16 March 2022

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 Neil.hollyhead@walsall.gov.uk	Public, Housing Associations, Internal Services	Councillor Andrew	16 March 2022
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