

WIRRAL COUNCIL

FORWARDPLAN

For the four-month period 1 March 2017 - 30 June 2017

EXPLANATORY NOTES

- (1) This Forward Plan covers the four-month period from 1 March 2017 30 June 2017.
- (2) The Plan contains details of all the key decisions that the Executive * (i.e. the Council's Cabinet), or the Council itself, expects to take during the next four months. It also lists Executive decisions which will rely on exempt information, in whole or in part. It will be updated every month, and each plan will cover a four-month period. Dates of Cabinet meetings are available on the Council's website. A list of Cabinet Members and their portfolios is attached below. The scope of each portfolio can be found on the Council's website.

Dates for any other meetings will be publicised as they arise.

- (3) The definition of a "key decision" adopted for the purposes of this Plan is in accordance with that contained in the Council's Constitution, namely:
- " (a) any decision of the Executive incurring expenditure or making savings in excess of 10% of the relevant budget head, or £500,000, whichever is the smaller, unless -
- (i) the specific expenditure or saving has previously been agreed by the Council;
- (ii) it is a decision taken in accordance with the Council's Treasury Management Policy;

OR -

(b) any decision of the Executive which, in the view of the Leader, will have a substantial effect on a significant number of people living or working in two or more wards [of the Borough]".

For the avoidance of doubt, any decision approving proposals for the making or amendment of a plan or budget which requires the approval of the full Council is regarded as a key decision.

- (4) Any person wishing to make representations about a proposed key decision can do so by contacting the relevant Cabinet portfolio holder, the responsible chief officer or a nominated officer. Contact details are included against each entry in the Plan or in the lists below.
- (5) Decisions of the Executive that are key decisions will be published within five days of their having been made. They will be available for inspection during office hours at the Town Hall, Brighton Street, Wallasey, or on the Council's web-site.
- (6) The law and the Council's Constitution permit key decisions to be made, even if they have not been included in a Forward Plan, where they are certified as urgent. These decisions will be published, and be available for inspection, in exactly the same way as described in (5) above.
- * The Council has also extended the delegated authority of individual Cabinet members to take executive decisions on a number of specified matters.

CABINET MEMBERS AND THEIR PORTFOLIOS

The Cabinet Portfolios and Portfolio holders for 2016/17 are as follows:

Councillor Phil Davies
 Leader of the Council

Strategic Economic Development, Finance and

Devolution

Councillor George Davies
 Deputy Leader of the Council,

Housing and Community Safety

Councillor Ann McLachlan
 Transformation, Leisure and Culture

• Councillor Bernie Mooney Environment

Councillor Matthew Patrick
 Community Engagement and Communications

Councillor Tony Smith
 Councillor Stuart Whittingham
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 Highways and Infrastructure

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Proposed decision	Description	Decision Taker	Expected date of decision	Details of exempt information	How to make representations to the decision Taker	Documents to be considered by the Decision Taker
Council Budget 2017/18 Key	Agree Budget 2017/18 and beyond including: level of balances, fees and charges, Chief Financial Officer Statement	Council	March 2017		Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Assistant Director: Financial Services (S151) tomsault@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 666 3407	
Council Tax Levels for 2017/18 Key	Set the Wirral Council Tax for 2017/18	Council	March 2017		Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Assistant Director: Financial Services (S151) tomsault@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 666 3407	

Application for Financial Assistance Key	From time to time the Council is asked to provide financial assistance to companies to create or safeguard employment opportunities.	Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development , Finance and Devolution	Between March 2017 and June 2017	Exempt 3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)	Councillor Phil Davies phildavies@wirral.gov.uk	
Business Support Key	Wirral Business Support – strategic business support and partnership issues including support to SMEs and the development of new approaches	Cabinet, Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development , Finance and Devolution	Between March 2017 and June 2017	Exempt report due to commercially sensitive information 3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)	Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Strategic Commissioner for Growth alanevans@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8426	

Application for National Non Domestic Rate Relief	From time to time an organisation or body that may qualify for Discretionary Rates Relief to reduce their liability for paying Rates will apply to the Council for such support which requires a formal decision	Cabinet, Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development , Finance and Devolution	Between March 2017 and June 2017	Exempt Due to commercially sensitive information 3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)	Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Managing Director for Delivery joeblott@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8001	
Enterprise Zone Key	Decisions required on the implementation stages of the Mersey Waters Enterprise Zone	Cabinet, Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development , Finance and Devolution	Between March 2017 and June 2017	Exempt Exempt due to commercially sensitive information 3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)	Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Strategic Commissioner for Growth alanevans@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8426	

Wirral Waters Enterprise Zone Investment Fund Key	To consider investment proposals for the Enterprise Zone	Cabinet, Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development , Finance and Devolution	Between March 2017 and June 2017	Exempt Due to commercially sensitive information 3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)	Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Strategic Commissioner for Growth alanevans@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8426	
Local Enterprise Partnership Update Key	Consult Members on strategic initiatives such as the development of an LCR Investment Framework, Local Growth Plan, EU Investment Plan and EU new programme 2014-20.	Cabinet, Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development , Finance and Devolution	Between March 2017 and June 2017		Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Strategic Commissioner for Growth alanevans@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8426	

European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF) Programme for England (2014-2020) Key	To provide an update on the ESIF Programme for England. To include relevant approval to accept ESIF funds and commission relevant activity.	Cabinet, Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development , Finance and Devolution	Between March 2017 and June 2017	Exempt Exempt due to commercially sensitive information 3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)	Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Strategic Commissioner for Growth alanevans@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8426	
Strategic Regeneration Framework Key		Cabinet, Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development , Finance and Devolution	Between March 2017 and June 2017		Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Managing Director for Delivery joeblott@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8001	

Review of Commissioning of High Needs Places Key	To appoint a consultant/s to Review the Commissioning of Specialist Places.	Cabinet	March 2017	Open	Cabinet Member - Children and Family Services (Councillor Tony Smith) tonysmith@wirral.gov.uk Director for Children's Services juliahassall@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 666 4288	Review of Commissioning of High Needs Places
Mersey Region Adoption Agency Key	Establishing a Regional Adoption Agency across Merseyside including Wirral, Knowsley, Sefton and Liverpool Authorities.	Cabinet	March 2017	Open	Cabinet Member - Children and Family Services (Councillor Tony Smith)	Mersey Region Adoption Agency
Sustainable Transport Enhancement Package Years 3-6 (STEP) Key	To approve a programme of schemes	Cabinet	March 2017	Open	Cabinet Member - Transport and Infrastructure (Councillor Stuart Whittingham)	Sustainable Transport Enhancement Package Years 3- 6 (STEP)
Integration of Health and Care Transformation Programme Key	The decision to create an integrated commissioning hub and integrated front line assessment, support planning and care teams that will contribute to meeting the	Cabinet	March 2017	Part Exempt An appendix of the report may contain financial information relating to WCT. 3 Information relating to the	Cabinet Member - Adult Social Care (Councillor Chris Jones)	Integration of Health and Care Transformation Programme

	challenges of growth and demand through using Wirral's resources jointly to create a sustainable health and care system.			financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)		
Transforming Wirral - Integration (Community Safety) Key	A position statement on the proposed delivery model for community safety	Cabinet Member - Housing and Community Safety (and Deputy Leader of the Council), Cabinet	March 2017	Part Exempt May contain exempt appendices owing to commercially sensitive information 3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)	Cabinet Member - Housing and Community Safety (and Deputy Leader of the Council) (Councillor George Davies) georgedavies@wirral.gov. uk Strategic Commissioner for Environment marksmith@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 606 2103	
2017/18 Provider Fee Setting Key	Report outlining proposed recommendations for 17/18 fees for the adult	Cabinet	March 2017	Part Exempt Appendices of the report will be exempt as will contain	Cabinet Member - Adult Social Care (Councillor Chris Jones)	2017/18 Provider Fee Setting

	community provider market.			financial information. 3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)	
Merseyside Connected - Broadband Delivery UK (BDUK) Key	Report progress and future delivery timescales.	Cabinet	Between March 2017 and June 2017		Cabinet Member - Transport and Infrastructure (Councillor Stuart Whittingham) stuartwhittingham@wirral. gov.uk Assistant Director: Environmental Services davidball@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8395
Hoylake Golf Resort Key	A priority for the Borough which will require approval in respect of land assembly and associated legal issues.	Cabinet	Between March 2017 and June 2017	Exempt Due to commercially sensitive information 3 Information relating to the	Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Assistant Director:

				financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)	Environmental Services davidball@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8395	
Compulsory Purchase Order for Land Lying to the South of Spital Road, Spital: extension of park and ride facilities Key	Request to endorse the use of Compulsory Purchase Order powers for the acquisition of the land, for extending the park and ride facilities at Spital Railway Station, under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, should negotiations to acquire by agreement be unsuccessful.	Cabinet	Between March 2017 and June 2017	Part Exempt May contain exempt appendices due to commercially sensitive information 3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)	Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Assistant Director: Environmental Services davidball@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8395	

Birkenhead Town Centre Masterplan Key	Approval of the Masterplan for Birkenhead Town Centre and confirmation of next steps	Cabinet, Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development , Finance and Devolution	Between March 2017 and June 2017	Exempt Due to commercially sensitive information 3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)	Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Assistant Director: Environmental Services davidball@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8395	
Local Wildlife Sites Key	Approval of revised site selection criteria, terms of reference and procedure for site selection	Cabinet	March 2017		Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Assistant Director: Environmental Services davidball@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8395	

Strategic Housing Market Assessment - Further Policy Implications Key	Approval of additional policy responses, including affordable and specialist housing; optional housing standards and viability, to inform the contents of the emerging Core Strategy Local Plan.	Cabinet	March 2017	Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Assistant Director: Environmental Services davidball@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8395
Access Wirral Key	To approve the Business Case for the preferred option for the delivery of Access Wirral (Phase 1)	Cabinet	Between March 2017 and June 2017	Cabinet Member - Community Engagement and Communications (Councillor Matthew Patrick) matthewpatrick@wirral.go v.uk Director for Health & Wellbeing fionajohnstone@wirral.go v.uk Tel: 0151 666 5178
Energy Company Key	To approve the Business Case to proceed with the development of a Wirral Energy Company.	Cabinet	Between March 2017 and June 2017	Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Managing Director for Delivery Joeblott@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8001

Commercialisation (Debt) Key	Decision required to implement a revised approach to Debt Management.	Cabinet	Between March 2017 and June 2017		Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Managing Director for Delivery Joeblott@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8001	
Asset Consolidation Key	To consider steps required to consolidate the operational estate into a smaller number of locations.	Cabinet	Between March 2017 and June 2017		Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Director for Business Services (Assistant Chief Executive) davidarmstrong@wirral.go v.uk Tel: 0151 666 4300	
Re-commission of the Early Intervention/Preventi on and Carers Wellbeing Commission Key	These two separate commissions were merged into one tender process that commenced at the end of September 2016. The new commissions will commence in April 2017 for a 3 year period with the option to extend. A decision is required as to the outcome of the tender process.	Cabinet Member - Adult Social Care	April 2017	Part Exempt An appendix of the report relates to financial or business affairs. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)	Cabinet Member - Adult Social Care (Councillor Chris Jones) christinejones@wirral.gov. uk Director for Health and Care (DASS) grahamhodkinson@wirral. gov.uk Tel: 0151 666 3650	Re-commission of the Early Intervention/Prev ention and Carers Wellbeing Commission

Birkenhead Market - Lease Key	Lease Terms	Cabinet	Between April 2017 and May 2017	Cabinet Member - Housing and Community Safety (and Deputy Leader of the Council) (Councillor George Davies) georgedavies@wirral.gov. uk Director for Business Services (Assistant Chief Executive) davidarmstrong@wirral.go v.uk Tel: 0151 666 4300	
Land at Mollington Street, Birkenhead Key	Transfer to Council	Cabinet, Cabinet Member - Housing and Community Safety (and Deputy Leader of the Council)	Between April 2017 and May 2017	Cabinet Member - Housing and Community Safety (and Deputy Leader of the Council) (Councillor George Davies) georgedavies@wirral.gov. uk Director for Business Services (Assistant Chief Executive) davidarmstrong@wirral.go v.uk Tel: 0151 666 4300	

Land at Saughall Massie - Report dependent upon outcome of Fire Authority Consultation Key	Possible request for Fire Authority to acquire land	Cabinet	Between April 2017 and May 2017		Cabinet Member - Housing and Community Safety (and Deputy Leader of the Council) (Councillor George Davies) georgedavies@wirral.gov. uk Director for Business Services (Assistant Chief Executive) davidarmstrong@wirral.go v.uk Tel: 0151 666 4300	
Playing Pitch Strategy Key	To approve the strategy	Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development , Finance and Devolution	May 2017		Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Assistant Director: Environmental Services davidball@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8395	
Core Strategy Local Plan - Report of Further Consultation on Housing Need and Land Supply Key	Results of public consultation undertaken in Aug 2016, following Cabinet on 28 July 2016 with recommendations for further work to be undertaken to assess the future housing land supply.	Cabinet	June 2017	Open	Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Assistant Director: Environmental Services davidball@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8395	Core Strategy Local Plan - Report of Further Consultation on Housing Need and Land Supply