

For the four-month period 1 November 2023 - 29 February 2024

**EXPLANATORY NOTES**

(1) This Forward Plan covers the four-month period from 1 November 2023 - 29 February 2024.

(2) The Plan contains details of all the key decisions that the Council or officers expect to take during the next four months. It also lists decisions which will rely on exempt information, in whole or in part. Such decisions may be made by the Committee in private session. The Committee It will be updated every month, and each plan will cover a four-month period. Dates of Council Committees are available on the Council's website.

(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, one which:

"(i) results, or is likely to result, in the Council incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, in excess of 10% of the relevant budget head or £500,000, whichever is the smaller; or

(ii) is significant in terms of its effect on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards (where the meaning of 'significant' is subject to any guidance to be issued by the Secretary of State and, in the absence of any such guidance, is to be interpreted as a decision which, in the view of the Leader, will have significant effect on a significant number of people).

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) Committee decisions 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, (in normal times) or on the Council's web-site.

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- Councillor Sue Powell-Wilde Children, Young People and Education
- Councillor Tony Jones Economy, Regeneration and Development
- Councillor Elizabeth Grey Environment, Climate Emergency and Transport
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**WIRRAL COUNCIL**

**FORWARD PLAN**

For the four month period 1 NOVEMBER 2023 - 29 FEBRUARY 2024

Proposed decision	Description	Expected date of decision	Details of exempt information
<p><b>Adult Social Care and Public Health Committee</b>            Contact Details:            Graham Hodgkinson            Director of Care and Health  <a href="mailto:grahamhodkinson@wirral.gov.uk">grahamhodkinson@wirral.gov.uk</a>            Town Hall, Mortimer Street, Birkenhead, CH41 5EU</p> <p>Dave Bradburn            Director of Public Health  <a href="mailto:davebradburn@wirral.gov.uk">davebradburn@wirral.gov.uk</a>            Town Hall, Mortimer Street, Birkenhead, CH41 5EU</p>			
Sexual and Reproductive Health Services Commission - Contract Award  Director of Public Health,		23 Nov 2023	<b>Open</b>
Information & Advice Service Commission - Contract Award  Director of Public Health,		1 Nov 2023	<b>Open</b>
<b>RECOMMISSION OF WIRRAL</b>	Award of the contract for Wirral	1 Nov 2023	<b>Open</b>

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INDEPENDENCE SERVICE (COMMUNITY EQUIPMENT AND TELECARE)  Director of Care and Health,	Independence Service, following agreement by Committee on 13/06/23.		
<b>Children, Young People and Education Committee</b> Contact Details: Simone White Director of Children, Families and Education <a href="mailto:simonewhite@wirral.gov.uk">simonewhite@wirral.gov.uk</a> Town Hall, Mortimer Street, Birkenhead, CH41 5EU			
Annual Sufficiency Strategy  Children, Young People & Education Committee,	Updating on statutory requirement to have a sufficiency report.	29 Nov 2023	<b>Open</b>
Care Sufficiency Strategy  Children, Young People & Education Committee,	Update of legal requirement for LA to have sufficient places for its looked after children.	29 Nov 2023	<b>Open</b>
<b>Economy, Regeneration and Housing Committee</b> Contact Details: David Hughes Director of Regeneration and Place <a href="mailto:davidhughes@wirral.gov.uk">davidhughes@wirral.gov.uk</a> Town Hall, Mortimer Street, Birkenhead, CH41 5EU			
Wirral Ways to Work Programme - SIF	Wirral Ways to Work Programme is	6 Nov 2023	<b>Open</b>

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<p>Gap Funding</p> <p>Director of Regeneration and Place,</p>	<p>currently funded by European Social Fund which is due to end on 30th September 2023. In order to keep the programme going before the start of UKSPF in April 2024, the 6 LCR Local Authorities applied to the Combined Authority for SIF funding to cover the 6 month gap period, this was a successful application and this report is to accept the funds given by LCR CA.</p>		
<p>Consideration of proposal to implement selective licensing following consultation</p> <p>Economy Regeneration &amp; Housing Committee,</p>	<p>Review the outcome of the consultation exercise and consider whether to implement selective licensing in the proposed areas</p>	<p>6 Dec 2023</p>	<p><b>Open</b></p>
<p><b>Environment, Climate Emergency and Transport Committee</b></p> <p>Contact Details:  Jason Gooding  Director of Neighbourhood Services  <a href="mailto:jasongooding@wirral.gov.uk">jasongooding@wirral.gov.uk</a>  Town Hall, Mortimer Street, Birkenhead, CH41 5EU</p>			
<p>Highways Contract A4 award, vehicle crossings</p> <p>Assistant Director: Highways and Infrastructure,</p>	<p>Tender acceptance and contract award</p>	<p>1 Nov 2023</p>	<p><b>Open</b></p>
<p>Local Transport Capital Block Funding –</p>	<p>LCACR proposes to make a total</p>	<p>1 Nov 2023</p>	<p><b>Open</b></p>

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Pothole Fund 2023-2024 Director of Neighbourhood Services,	sum of £764,771.28 to Wirral to spend exclusively on improvements to and maintenance of roads.		
Highways Contract B5 award - drain investigation and drainage works  Assistant Director: Highways and Infrastructure,	tender acceptance and contract award	1 Nov 2023	<b>Open</b>
Highways Contract B7 award - text band high friction surfacing  Assistant Director: Highways and Infrastructure,	Tender acceptance and contract award	1 Nov 2023	<b>Open</b>
Highways Contract B8 award - surface dressing preparation treatments  Assistant Director: Highways and Infrastructure,	Tender acceptance and contract award	1 Nov 2023	<b>Open</b>
Acceptance of Tender and award of contract for Public Rights of Way works, highways contract ref B6  Director of Neighbourhood Services,	Acceptance of Tender and award of contract for Public Rights of Way works	1 Nov 2023	<b>Open</b>
Parking Strategy	To seek approval for Parking	5 Dec 2023	<b>Open</b>



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Environment, Climate Emergency and Transport Committee,	Strategy		
Experimental Motorcaravan Parking Scheme  Environment, Climate Emergency and Transport Committee,	The purpose of this item is to ask the committee to consider the feedback submitted during the consultation for the Experimental Traffic Regulation Order relating to motorcaravans and approve the recommendations.	5 Dec 2023	<b>Open</b>
<p><b>Policy &amp; Resources Committee</b>  Contact Details:  Jill Travers  Director of Law and Governance  <a href="mailto:jilltravers@wirral.gov.uk">jilltravers@wirral.gov.uk</a>  Town Hall, Mortimer Street, Birkenhead, CH41 5EU</p> <p>Matthew Bennett  Director of Finance  <a href="mailto:matthewbennett1@wirral.gov.uk">matthewbennett1@wirral.gov.uk</a>  Town Hall, Mortimer Street, Birkenhead, CH41 5EU</p> <p>Shaer Halewood  Director of Resources  <a href="mailto:shaerhalewood@wirralgov.uk">shaerhalewood@wirralgov.uk</a>  Town Hall, Mortimer Street, Birkenhead, CH41 5EU</p>			
Sale of Land at Arrowe Park Road, Upton  Policy and Resources Committee,		8 Nov 2023	<b>Part Exempt</b>  <b>3</b> <b>Information relating to the</b>

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			<b>financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)</b>
<p>Future Regenerations Partnerships for Wirral</p> <p>Policy and Resources Committee,</p>	<p>This report will seek approval to formally establish The Wirral 2040 Regeneration Partnership as the focused Delivery Vehicle to coordinate and accelerate the priority projects defined by the 2040 Framework.</p> <p>The Birkenhead 2040 Framework details a comprehensive regeneration vision that will deliver 21,000 new homes and 6000 new jobs in Birkenhead over the next 17 years. A plan of this scale requires a single seamless approach to manage and coordinate asset management and regeneration based activities with a clear delivery plan led strategy that priorities projects in a logical way. The Regeneration Partnership would provide such a seamless approach. It would be led by a dedicated Wirral Officer(s) and would be guided by a locally led Partnership Board with Homes England and LCRCA participating as Board Members.</p>	<p>8 Nov 2023</p>	<p><b>Part Exempt</b></p> <p><b>3</b></p> <p><b>Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)</b></p>

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Community Asset Transfer - Woodchurch Leisure Centre  Policy and Resources Committee,		8 Nov 2023	<b>Part Exempt</b>
Pay Policy 2024 - 2025  Policy and Resources Committee, Council,	The Pay Policy Statement for the financial year 2024 - 2025	8 Nov 2023	<b>Open</b>
2023-24 Capital Monitoring Quarter 2  Policy and Resources Committee,	Report on Capital Programme monitoring to 30th September 2023 including any scheme additions, deletions, variations and grant variations/acceptances	8 Nov 2023	<b>Open</b>
2023/24 BUDGET MONITORING FOR QUARTER TWO (THE PERIOD TO 30 SEP 2023)  Policy and Resources Committee,	This report sets out the financial monitoring information for the Council as at Quarter 2 (30 September) of 2023/24. The report provides Members with an overview of budget performance, including progress on the delivery of the 2023/24 saving programme and a summary of reserves and balances, to enable the Committee to take ownership of the budgets and provide robust challenge and scrutiny to Officers on the performance of those budgets.	8 Nov 2023	<b>Open</b>
Medium Term Financial Strategy 2024-	Financial strategy document	21 Nov 2023	<b>Open</b>

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25 Policy and Resources Committee,	detailing the financial principles to be followed over the medium term.		
Strategic Change Programme Policy and Resources Committee,		21 Nov 2023	<b>Open</b>
New Council Plan Policy and Resources Committee,	The report sets out a new Council Plan for the next 4 years to align with the Council's 4 year election cycle.	21 Nov 2023	<b>Open</b>
Digital Transformation Partner Policy and Resources Committee,	To award the tender for a digital transformation partner to support the delivery of the strategic change portfolio to ensure savings already identified and future years savings can be agreed by digitalising and automating processes	21 Nov 2023	<b>Part Exempt Award of contract - commercially sensitive data</b>
Council Tax Base Calculation Policy and Resources Committee,	Report to detail the calculation of the Council Tax Base for 2024/25	17 Jan 2024	<b>Open</b>
Council Tax 2024/25 Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme, Discounts and Exemptions Policy and Resources Committee,	Report detailing and proposing Local Council Tax Support and Local Discounts and Exemptions for 2024/25	17 Jan 2024	<b>Open</b>

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**Tourism, Communities, Culture & Leisure Committee**

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