

WIRRAL COUNCIL

CABINET - 20 SEPTEMBER 2007

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

BUDGET TIMETABLE 2008-09

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1. This report recommends a timetable for the preparation of the budget for 2008/09.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1. There do not appear to be any significant changes to the budget timetable required by Government timetable changes and therefore a draft budget timetable is attached, based on the timetable for preparation of the 2007-08 budget.
- 2.2. The Budget Council meeting has been set for 3 March 2008 when it will consider the recommendations from the Cabinet meeting on 21 February 2008, to be moved and agreed subject to any objections that may be submitted. It is proposed that any objections should be lodged by noon on Thursday 28 February 2008 and that there be one debate at the Council meeting, but with separate votes on each amendment. If all amendments fail, the minutes of Cabinet will be taken as approved without the need for any further vote. This procedure is in accordance with the budget and policy framework rules.

3. FINANCIAL AND STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1. Agreement of the budget timetable has no financial or staffing implications.

4. EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1. There are none arising from this report.

5. HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1. There are none arising from this report.

6. LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1. There are none arising from this report.

7. COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

7.1. There are none arising from this report.

8. PLANNING IMPLICATIONS

8.1. There are none arising from this report.

9. LOCAL MEMBER SUPPORT IMPLICATIONS

9.1. There are none arising from this report.

10. BACKGROUND PAPERS

10.1. There were none used in this report.

11. RECOMMENDATION

11.1. That the budget timetable be agreed.

IAN COLEMAN
DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

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7 June	Cabinet received the following reports:- Projected Budget 2008-11 Financial Monitoring 2007-08 Capital Monitoring 2007-08 Service Re-Engineering 2007-08
16 August	Cabinet received the following reports:- Schools, Early Years and 14-16 Funding 2008-2011 Insurance Fund Actuarial Valuation
6 September	Cabinet received the following reports:- Medium Term Financial Strategy 2008-2011 Capital Strategy 2008-2011 ICT Strategy Risk Management Strategy Projected Budget 2008-2011 Financial Monitoring 2007-08 Capital Monitoring 2007-08 Service Re-Engineering 2007-08 Efficiency Plan Savings Phase I
20 September	Cabinet to receive the following reports:- Balance Sheet Management Corporate Risk Register Local Government Finance Consultation
October	Comprehensive Spending Review Pre Budget Statement Cabinet to receive the following reports:- Local Pay Review Funding Specific Grants Procurement 2008-2011 Revised Efficiency Statement 2007-08
November	Cabinet to receive the following reports:- Projected Budget 2008-2011 Financial Monitoring 2007-08 Capital Monitoring 2007-08 Service Re-engineering 2007-08 Insurance Fund Budget 2007-08
26 November	Pensions Committee to receive a report on the Pension Fund Actuarial Valuation
December	Provisional Formula Grant Settlement Advertise Consultation with Non-Domestic Ratepayers Cabinet to receive the following reports:- Council Tax Base Capital Financing 2008-09 Capital Programme 2008-2011 Council Tax Discounts 2008-09

January	Cabinet to receive the following reports:- Projected Budget 2008-2011 Financial Monitoring 2007-08 Capital Monitoring 2007-08 Service Re-engineering 2007-08 Collection Fund 2007-08
28 January	Pension Fund Budget 2008-09 to Pensions Committee
February	Final Formula Grant Settlement
21 February	Budget Cabinet
28 February	Submission of objections to Cabinet Recommendations
3 March	Budget Council
	If Council does not adopt the Cabinet proposals the Leader of the Council may lodge an objection within 5 working days
10 March	Reserve date for Council if there is an objection.