



WIRRAL COUNCIL

FORWARD PLAN

For the four-month period 1 August 2014 - 30 November 2014

EXPLANATORY NOTES

(1) This Forward Plan covers the four-month period from 1 August 2014 - 30 November 2014.

(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 (4) 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 2014/15 are as follows:

- Councillor Phil Davies Leader of the Council
- Councillor Ann McLachlan Deputy Leader of the Council, Governance
Commissioning and Improvement
- Councillor George Davies Neighbourhoods, Housing and Engagement
- Councillor Pat Hackett Economy
- Councillor Adrian Jones Support Services
- Councillor Chris Jones Adult Social Care and Public Health
- Councillor Bernie Mooney Environment and Sustainability
- Councillor Chris Meaden Leisure, Sport and Culture
- Councillor Stuart Whittingham Highways and Transport
- Councillor Tony Smith Children and Family Services

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F O R W A R D P L A N

For the four-month period 1 August 2014 - 30 November 2014

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
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.	Cabinet, Leader of the Council	Between August 2014 and November 2014	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)	Cabinet Member - Economy (Councillor Pat Hackett) pathackett@wirral.gov.uk Strategic Investment and Partnerships Manager alanevans@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8426	
Hoylake Golf Resort Key	This is a priority for the Borough and will require the approval of Members in respect of land assembly and associated legal issues.	Cabinet	Between August 2014 and November 2014	Part Exempt May contain exempt appendices owing to commercially sensitive information 3 Information	Cabinet Member - Economy (Councillor Pat Hackett) pathackett@wirral.gov.uk Head of Regeneration davidball@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8395	

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				relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)		
Local Asset Backed Vehicle (LABV) Key	Report to procure a development partner to allow the Council to set up the creation of a LABV	Cabinet	Between August 2014 and November 2014		Cabinet Member - Economy (Councillor Pat Hackett) pathackett@wirral.gov.uk Head of Regeneration davidball@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8395	
Regional Growth Fund Key	Approval of grant awards through the RGF programmes.	Cabinet, Leader of the Council	Between August 2014 and November 2014	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)	Cabinet Member - Economy (Councillor Pat Hackett) pathackett@wirral.gov.uk Strategic Investment and Partnerships Manager alanevans@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8426	

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Broadband Delivery UK (BDUK) Merseyside Connected Key	Report progress and future delivery timescales.	Cabinet	Between August 2014 and November 2014		Cabinet Member - Economy (Councillor Pat Hackett) pathackett@wirral.gov.uk Head of Regeneration davidball@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8395	
Apprenticeships / Youth Contract Underspend (YCU) Key	To report the details of the Liverpool City Region YCU funding bid including local implications for Wirral.	Cabinet, Leader of the Council	Between August 2014 and November 2014	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 - Economy (Councillor Pat Hackett) pathackett@wirral.gov.uk Strategic Investment and Partnerships Manager alanevans@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8426	
European Issues Key	Update on next European Programme and Assisted Area map	Cabinet	Between August 2014 and November 2014		Cabinet Member - Economy (Councillor Pat Hackett) pathackett@wirral.gov.uk	

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					Strategic Investment and Partnerships Manager alanevans@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8426	
Wirral Business Support Key	Strategic business support and partnership issues including support to SMEs and the development of new approaches.	Cabinet, Cabinet Member - Economy	August 2014		Cabinet Member - Economy (Councillor Pat Hackett) pathackett@wirral.gov.uk Strategic Investment and Partnerships Manager alanevans@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8426	
Neighbourhood Planning - Devonshire Park Key	Devonshire Park – approval of statutory public consultation, submission to public examination and local referendum	Cabinet Member - Economy, Council	August 2014		Cabinet Member - Economy (Councillor Pat Hackett) pathackett@wirral.gov.uk Head of Regeneration davidball@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8395	
Supporting People Contracts Key	The outcome of Supporting People Contract negotiations	Cabinet	Between August 2014 and November 2014	Part Exempt May contain exempt appendices owing to commercially sensitive information 3	Cabinet Member - Neighbourhoods, Housing and Engagement (Councillor George Davies) georgedavies@wirral.gov.uk	

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				<p>Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)</p>	<p>Head of Housing and Community Safety ianplatt@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8395</p>	
<p>Magenta Living - Revised Governance Arrangements Key</p>	<p>To approve revised governance arrangements for Wirral Partnership Homes trading as Magenta Living.</p>	<p>Cabinet</p>	<p>Between August 2014 and November 2014</p>		<p>Cabinet Member - Neighbourhoods, Housing and Engagement (Councillor George Davies) georgedavies@wirral.gov.uk</p> <p>Head of Housing and Community Safety ianplatt@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8395</p>	
<p>Property Pool Plus Allocation Policy Key</p>	<p>Results from Property Pool Plus Allocation Policy Consultation and endorsement of proposed changes.</p>	<p>Cabinet, Cabinet Member - Neighbourhoods, Housing and Engagement</p>	<p>Between August 2014 and September 2014</p>		<p>Cabinet Member - Neighbourhoods, Housing and Engagement (Councillor George Davies) georgedavies@wirral.gov.uk</p> <p>Head of Housing and Community Safety</p>	

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Enterprise Zone Key	Decisions required on the implementation stages of the Mersey Waters Enterprise Zone.	Cabinet, Cabinet Member - Economy	September 2014	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)	Cabinet Member - Economy (Councillor Pat Hackett) pathackett@wirral.gov.uk Strategic Investment and Partnerships Manager 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, Cabinet Member - Economy	September 2014		Cabinet Member - Economy (Councillor Pat Hackett) pathackett@wirral.gov.uk Strategic Investment and Partnerships Manager alanevans@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8426	

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Coastal Communities Fund (CCF) Key	To report the details of a funding bid to the second round of the CCF	Cabinet, Cabinet Member - Economy	September 2014	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)	Cabinet Member - Economy (Councillor Pat Hackett) pathackett@wirral.gov.uk Strategic Investment and Partnerships Manager alanevans@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8426	
Local Development Framework - Core Strategy Key	Approval of submission to the Secretary of State for public examination. The Core Strategy will replace the strategic policies contained within the Council's Unitary Development Plan adopted in February 2000.	Cabinet, Council	September 2014		Cabinet Member - Economy (Councillor Pat Hackett) pathackett@wirral.gov.uk Head of Regeneration davidball@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8395	

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Local Development Framework - Community Infrastructure Levy Key	Consideration of potential options and implications for the implementation of a Wirral CIL.	Cabinet, Council	September 2014		Cabinet Member - Economy (Councillor Pat Hackett) pathackett@wirral.gov.uk Head of Regeneration davidball@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8395	
Neighbourhood Planning - Eastham Key	Application to designate a neighbourhood area and forum for Eastham, approval of statutory public consultation.	Cabinet Member - Economy	September 2014		Cabinet Member - Economy (Councillor Pat Hackett) pathackett@wirral.gov.uk Head of Regeneration davidball@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8395	
Strategic Housing Market Assessment Key	Results of the Strategic Housing Market Assessment to inform the evidence base for the Core Strategy	Cabinet	September 2014		Cabinet Member - Neighbourhoods, Housing and Engagement (Councillor George Davies) georgedavies@wirral.gov.uk Head of Housing and Community Safety ianplatt@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8395	
Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment Key	Results of the Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment to	Cabinet	September 2014		Cabinet Member - Neighbourhoods, Housing and Engagement (Councillor George Davies)	

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	inform the evidence base for the Core Strategy.				<p>georgedavies@wirral.gov.uk</p> <p>Head of Housing and Community Safety ianplatt@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8395</p>	
Streetscene Environment Services Contract Extension Key	Consideration of proposal by current contractor to extend beyond March 2017	Cabinet	September 2014	Exempt 3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)	<p>Cabinet Member - Environment and Sustainability (Councillor Bernie Mooney) berniemooney@wirral.gov.uk</p> <p>Head of Environment and Regulation marksmith@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 606 2103</p>	
Trade Waste - Options Appraisal Key	Introduction of a trade waste collection service.	Cabinet	September 2014	Exempt 3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)	<p>Cabinet Member - Environment and Sustainability (Councillor Bernie Mooney) berniemooney@wirral.gov.uk</p> <p>Head of Environment and Regulation marksmith@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 606 2103</p>	

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Outcome of Lyndale School Consultation Key	The report will consider the responses to the consultation paper on the proposed closure of the school	Cabinet	September 2014		Cabinet Member - Children and Family Services (Councillor Tony Smith) tonysmith@wirral.gov.uk Director of Children's Services juliahassall@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 666 4288	
Children's Centres - Future Delivery Key	Report will outline future delivery options for early years for consideration.	Cabinet	September 2014		Cabinet Member - Children and Family Services (Councillor Tony Smith) tonysmith@wirral.gov.uk Director of Children's Services juliahassall@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 666 4288	
Transformation of Day Services - Local Authority Company Key	Following report to Cabinet on 19 June, 2014, this report will provide Cabinet with a further progress and update report.	Cabinet	September 2014		Cabinet Member - Adult Social Care and Public Health (Councillor Chris Jones) christinejones@wirral.gov.uk Director of Adult Social Services grahamhodkinson@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 666 3650	

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Sundry Debtor Write-Offs Key	Approval of write offs for irrecoverable debts	Cabinet	Between September 2014 and October 2014		Cabinet Member - Finance (Leader of the Council) (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Strategic Director: Transformation and Resources joablott@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8001	
Financial Monitoring 2014/15 (Months 3/4) Key	Update on the revenue and capital spending against the agreed budget.	Cabinet	September 2014		Cabinet Member - Finance (Leader of the Council) (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Director of Resources viviennequayle@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 666 3056	
Welfare Reform Update Key	Update on programme as impacting on Wirral	Cabinet	September 2014		Cabinet Member - Finance (Leader of the Council) (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Strategic Director: Transformation and Resources joablott@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8001	

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Commissioning Strategy Key		Cabinet	September 2014		Cabinet Member - Governance, Commissioning and Improvement (Deputy Leader of the Council) (Councillor Ann McLachlan) annmclachlan@wirral.gov.uk Director of Public Health, Policy and Performance fionajohnstone@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8210	
Disposal of the Former Byrne Avenue Baths, Rock Ferry Key	Seeking approval to dispose of asset. (Dependant on English Heritage outcome).	Cabinet	September 2014		Cabinet Member - Support Services (Councillor Adrian Jones) adrianjones@wirral.gov.uk Assistant Chief Executive davidarmstrong@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 666 4300	
Disposal of Land at Manor Drive, Upton Key	Seeking approval to dispose of Council owned land	Cabinet	September 2014		Cabinet Member - Support Services (Councillor Adrian Jones) adrianjones@wirral.gov.uk	

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					Assistant Chief Executive davidarmstrong@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 666 4300	
Vacant Land and Building Review - Field Road Car Park, New Brighton Key	Report seeking approval to the sale of this asset by auction	Cabinet	September 2014	Exempt 3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)	Cabinet Member - Support Services (Councillor Adrian Jones) adrianjones@wirral.gov.uk Assistant Chief Executive davidarmstrong@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 666 4300	
Delegated Authority to Asset Manager Key	Terms to be authorised in respect of property transactions	Cabinet	September 2014		Cabinet Member - Support Services (Councillor Adrian Jones) adrianjones@wirral.gov.uk Assistant Chief Executive davidarmstrong@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 666 4300	
Tranmere Rovers' Training Ground Proposals Key		Cabinet	September 2014		Cabinet Member - Support Services (Councillor Adrian Jones) adrianjones@wirral.gov.uk	

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Statement of Accounts 2013/14 Key	Report on the Annual Audit and Accounts (accounts approved by Audit and Risk Management Committee).	Cabinet	October 2014		Cabinet Member - Finance (Leader of the Council) (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Director of Resources viviennequayle@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 666 3056	
Financial Monitoring 2014/15 (Month 5) Key	Update on the revenue and capital spending against the agreed budget.	Cabinet	October 2014		Cabinet Member - Finance (Leader of the Council) (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Director of Resources viviennequayle@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 666 3056	
School Shared Services Key	Consideration of the business case for school shared services.	Cabinet	October 2014		Cabinet Member - Children and Family Services (Councillor Tony Smith) tonysmith@wirral.gov.uk	

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					Director of Children's Services juliahassall@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 666 4288	
Neighbourhood Planning - Eastham Key	Application to designate a neighbourhood area and forum for Eastham. Report of public consultation and recommendation on designation.	Cabinet	November 2014		Cabinet Member - Economy (Councillor Pat Hackett) pathackett@wirral.gov.uk Head of Regeneration davidball@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8395	
The Setting up of an NPDO within Leisure Services Key	Report will outline the potential opportunities for savings from establishing an NPDO (Non-Profit Distributing Organisation) within Leisure Services.	Cabinet	November 2014		Cabinet Member - Leisure, Sport and Culture (Councillor Chris Meaden) chrismeaden@wirral.gov.uk Strategic Director: Families and Wellbeing clarefish@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8306	
Outcome of Golf Procurement Exercise Key	Outcome of Golf procurement exercise undertaken jointly with Cheshire West and Chester Council.	Cabinet	November 2014	Part Exempt Commercially sensitive information 3 Information relating to the	Cabinet Member - Leisure, Sport and Culture (Councillor Chris Meaden) chrismeaden@wirral.gov.uk	

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