

FORWARD PLAN

For the four-month period 1 January 2017 - 30 April 2017

EXPLANATORY NOTES

(1) This Forward Plan covers the four-month period from 1 January 2017 - 30 April 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 Chris Jones Adult Social Care
- Councillor Ann McLachlan Transformation, Leisure and Culture
- Councillor Bernie Mooney Environment
- Councillor Matthew Patrick Community Engagement and Communications
- Councillor Tony Smith Children and Family Services
- Councillor Stuart Whittingham Highways and Infrastructure
- Councillor Janette Williamson Public Health

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WIRRAL COUNCIL

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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 - Strategic Economic Development Finance and Devolution	Between January 2017 and April 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	
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	Cabinet, Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development Finance and Devolution	Between January 2017 and April 2017	Exempt Due to commercially sensitive information 3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs	Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Managing Director for Delivery joablott@wirral.gov.uk	

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	support which requires a formal decision			of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)	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 January 2017 and April 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 January 2017 and April 2017	Exempt Due to commercially sensitive information 3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular	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	

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				person (including the authority holding that information)		
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 January 2017 and April 2017	Exempt 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	
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 January 2017 and April 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	

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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 January 2017 and April 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	
Merseyside Connected - Broadband Delivery UK (BDUK) Key	Report progress and future delivery timescales.	Cabinet	Between January 2017 and April 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	Cabinet	Between January 2017 and April 2017	Exempt Due to commercially sensitive information 3	Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk	

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	issues.			Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)	Assistant Director: 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 January 2017 and April 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	
Future Waste Management Full Business Case Key	To approve the Full Business Case to make recommendations for changes to	Cabinet	January 2017	Open	Cabinet Member - Environment. (Councillor Bernie Mooney) berniemooney@wirral.gov.uk	Future Waste Management Full Business Case

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	domestic waste collections from April 2017				Strategic Commissioner for Environment marksmith@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 606 2103	
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	Between January 2017 and February 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	
Core Strategy Local Plan - Report of Consultation on Housing Need and Land Supply Key	Report of public consultation on the Strategic Housing Market Assessment Update (May 2016) and Strategic Housing Land Availability	Cabinet	January 2017	Open	Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Assistant Director: Environmental Services	Core Strategy Local Plan - Report of Consultation on Housing Need and Land Supply

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	Assessment Update (April 2016) and the responses recommended for inclusion in the Core Strategy Local Plan				davidball@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8395	
Integration of Health and Care Transformation Programme Update Key	The proposal to create an integrated commissioning hub and integrated front line assessment, support planning and care teams that will contribute to meeting the challenges of growth and demand through using Wirral's resources jointly to create a sustainable health and care system. The integrated service will deliver the assessment and support planning function for older people and adults, with a separate proposal for an all age	Cabinet	January 2017	Open	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	Integration of Health and Care Transformation Programme Update

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	disability, and all age mental health integrated service planned for 2018.					
Business Rates (NNDR) Discretionary Rate Relief Policy Key	Agree the Discretionary Rate Relief Policy	Cabinet, Council	January 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	
Re-commission of the Early Intervention/Prevention and Carers Wellbeing Commission Key	This report will provide the outcome of the recommissioning of the Early Intervention/Prevention and Carers Wellbeing commissions. These two separate commissions were merged into one tender process that commenced at the end of September 2016. The new commissions will	Cabinet Member - Adult Social Care	January 2017	Part Exempt An appendix of the report relates to financial or business affairs. 3 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/Prevention and Carers Wellbeing Commission

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	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.					
Local Development Framework for Wirral - Annual Monitoring Report Key	Approval of publication of statutory annual monitoring of development trends and plan preparation	Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development , Finance and Devolution	January 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	
Collection Fund 2016/17 Key	Fund position along with distribution of any surplus / deficit to preceptors	Cabinet	January 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	
Local Wildlife Sites Key	Approval of revised site selection criteria, terms of	Cabinet	February 2017		Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance	

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	reference and procedure for site selection				<p>and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk</p> <p>Assistant Director: Environmental Services davidball@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8395</p>	
Birkenhead Market - Lease Key	Lease Terms	Cabinet	Between February 2017 and March 2017		<p>Cabinet Member - Housing and Community Safety (and Deputy Leader of the Council) (Councillor George Davies) georgedavies@wirral.gov.uk</p> <p>Director for Business Services (Assistant Chief Executive) davidarmstrong@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 666 4300</p>	
Land at Mollington Street, Birkenhead Key	Transfer to Council	Cabinet, Cabinet Member - Housing and Community Safety (and Deputy Leader of the Council)	Between February 2017 and March 2017		<p>Cabinet Member - Housing and Community Safety (and Deputy Leader of the Council) (Councillor George Davies) georgedavies@wirral.gov.uk</p>	

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					Director for Business Services (Assistant Chief Executive) davidarmstrong@wirral.gov.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 February 2017 and March 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.gov.uk Tel: 0151 666 4300	
Review of Commissioning of High Needs Places Key	To appoint a consultant/s to Review the Commissioning of Specialist Places.	Cabinet	February 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

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Highway Structural Maintenance Programme 2017/18 to 2019/20 Key	Report to approve acceptance of Local Highways Maintenance Capital Block Funding; approve allocation between Street Lighting, Bridges and Roads/Footways; Approve the detailed Highway Structural Maintenance Programme for 2017/18 to 2019/2020	Cabinet	February 2017	Open	Councillor Stuart Whittingham stuartwhittingham@wirral.gov.uk Director for Business Services (Assistant Chief Executive) davidarmstrong@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 666 4300	Highway Structural Maintenance Programme 2017/18 To 2019/20
Financial Monitoring 2016/17 (Quarter 3) Key	Update on the revenue and capital spending against the agreed budget	Cabinet	February 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 Budget 2017/18 Key	Agree Budget 2017/18 and beyond including: level of balances, fees and charges,	Cabinet, Council	Between February 2017 and March 2017		Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies)	

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	Chief Financial Officer Statement				phildavies@wirral.gov.uk Assistant Director: Financial Services (S151) tomsault@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 666 3407	
Capital Programme and Financing 2017/18 Key		Cabinet, Council	Between February 2017 and 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	
Medium Term Financial Strategy (including Treasury Management Strategy and Capital Strategy) Key	Agree the strategies which support the delivery of the Wirral Plan	Cabinet, Council	Between February 2017 and 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	Cabinet, Council	Between February 2017 and March 2017		Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies)	

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<p>Revised Core Strategy Local Plan Key</p>	<p>Approval of revised land use strategy for the borough following public consultation on proposed modifications and completion of additional evidence on housing needs</p>	<p>Cabinet</p>	<p>March 2017</p>		<p>Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk</p> <p>Assistant Director: Environmental Services davidball@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8395</p>	
<p>Strategic Housing Market Assessment - Further Policy Implications Key</p>	<p>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</p>	<p>Cabinet</p>	<p>March 2017</p>		<p>Leader of the Council - Strategic Economic Development, Finance and Devolution (Councillor Phil Davies) phildavies@wirral.gov.uk</p> <p>Assistant Director: Environmental Services davidball@wirral.gov.uk Tel: 0151 691 8395</p>	