FORWARD PLAN

FOR THE PERIOD: 1 DECEMBER 2011 TO 31 MARCH 2012

What is the Forward Plan?

The Forward Plan is a list of the key decisions the Authority intends to take during a four month period. The Plan is updated monthly and is available to the public 14 days before the beginning of each month.

What is a Key Decision?

Key decisions are defined as any executive decision which is likely

- to result in expenditure or savings which are significant in the context of the budget for the service or function in question; or
- to be significant in terms of its effects on the communities living or working in two or more wards in the area.

What does the Forward Plan tell me?

The Plan gives information about:

- what key decisions are coming forward in the next four months;
- when those key decisions are likely to be made;
- who will make those decisions:
- what consultation will be given;
- who you can make representations to, and how;
- what documents will be considered; and
- who you can contact for further information.

Who takes Key Decisions?

Under the Authority's Constitution, Key Decisions are taken by the Council, the Executive Board (and its Sub-Committees/Sub-Boards) or individual officers acting under delegated powers.

Most Key Decisions are taken at public meetings of either the Council or the Executive Board. Council meets at 6.30 pm at the Town Hall, Runcorn and the Executive Board meets at 2.00 pm in the Municipal Building, Widnes.

How to make representations and by when

Names of contact officers are included in the Plan and can be reached via 0303 333 4300. If you are unsure, please ring Committee Services via the same number and staff there will be able to assist you.

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Physical Environment Portfolio

Environmental Protection Act 1990 Part IIA - Contaminated Land - to consider the first four year review of the strategy for inspection of contaminated land published in 2001.	Executive Board	Not before 1st December, 2011	Management Team, Safer PPB, Environment and Urban Renewal PPB.	Report on findings so far, DETR Circular 02/2000 Contaminated Land, Contaminated Land: Strategy for Inspection (July 2001), Part IIA Environmental Protection Act 1990.	Tim Gibbs
St Michael's Golf Course - Change to Capital	Executive Board Sub Committee	15 December 2011		None.	Wesley Rourke
Programme					
St Michael's Golf Course - Remediation of the Northern Section and	Executive Board Sub Committee	15 December 2011		None.	Wesley Rourke

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Future Site Options					
Digital Economy and Inclusion Strategy	Executive Board	Not before 15th December, 2011	Consultation has been undertaken with key partners, the Broadband Innovation Group and the Employment Learning Skills and Community PPB.	Minutes from Employment Learning Skills and Community PPB 8 June 2011 (item number 6)	Tim Gibbs
Children Young People an	 d Families Portfolio)			
To give permission to The Bankfield School to apply for Presumption and the development of a Post 16 Centre	Executive Board	26 January 2012	Schools and Riverside College; Young people; Unions; Businesses; Communities; 14- 19 partnership; Dioceses; Primary Care Trust; Representations	Raising the Participation Age: supporting local areas to deliver DCSF 2009 www.dcsf.gov.uk; Expanding a maintained mainstream school by	Strategic Director - Children and Enterprise

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			should be made to the Strategic Director Children and Enterprise.	enlarging or adding a sixth form - a guide for local authorities and governing bodies; www.dscf.gov.uk	
Capital Team	Council	14 December 2011	A number of options will be developed to demonstrate how the shortfall in Primary places can be accommodated. These options will be discussed with the schools concerned and shared with the Archdiocese. Feedback from these meetings will be shared with the	None.	Ann McIntyre

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			Executive Board.		5
Wade Deacon Proposal to provide Sixth Form Provision	Executive Board	15 December 2011	Schools, staff, parents, pupils, post 16 providers, YPLA, 14-19 Partnership, Members, Planning, LEP, other LA neighbours, Diocesan Authorities. Any person wishing to make representations should do so during the consultation period on the proposal and during the statutory representation period in writing to	Consultation Documents; Presentation by Wade Deacon High School; Statutory Notice, Proposal and Representations - all available from Wade Deacon High School; Presentation by Riverside College, available from Riverside College	

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			the Chair of Governors, Wade Deacon High School.		
Free School Consultation	Executive Board	15 December 2011	Primary and secondary schools in Halton, Riverside College, Neighbouring Local Authorities, Diocesan Authorities and other Children's Trust Partners. Any person wishing to make representations should do so in writing to Gerald Meehan, Strategic Director, Children and Enterprise, by	Free School Proposal and consultation	

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	T		30 November 2011.		
Provision of Information Advice and Guidance	Executive Board	15 December 2011	The following Greater Merseyside Local Authorities: Liverpool, St Helen's, Knowsley, Sefton, Wirral and Connexions. Any person wishing to make representations should do so in writing to Gerald Meehan, Strategic Director Children and Enterprise, by 30 November 2011.	Minutes of meetings on Connexions with Greater Merseyside Local Authorities; Guidance on All Age Careers Service; White Paper - The Importance of Teaching - November 2010; Specifications for IAG provision.	
Upton Rocks	Executive Board	15 December 2011	Liverpool Church of England Diocese and All Saints,	Widnes Pupil Numbers	

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			Upton. Any person wishing to make representations should do so in writing to Gerald Meehan, Strategic Director, Children and Enterprise, Municipal Building, Kingsway, Widnes before 30 November 2011.		
Health and Adults Portfolio	<u> </u> 				
Public Health Re- organisation of services to the Local Authority	Executive Board	Between 1 December 2011 and 29 February 2012	Health PPB, Children, Young People and Families PPB NHS Partner	Documents will be available during the consultation process.	Dwayne Johnson
	Executive Board	Before 31 December 2012	Organisations and staff. Attendance at relevant meetings		Dwayne Johnson

to present and discuss the key issues. Any person wishing to make representations about this matter should contact Dwayne Johnson, Strategic Director, Communities in	Key Decision	Decision-maker [For details, see notes on final page]	Date decision to be taken	Those to be consulted & how	Relevant reports [i.e. any document relating to the decision which are available at the time of publication of the Forward Plan]	Lead Officer (to whom representations should be made)
Writing at Halton Borough Council, Municipal Building, Kingsway, Widnes by 1 December 2011.				discuss the key issues. Any person wishing to make representations about this matter should contact Dwayne Johnson, Strategic Director, Communities in writing at Halton Borough Council, Municipal Building, Kingsway, Widnes by 1 December		

NOTE

The following Members comprise the Executive Board:

Leader – Councillor Polhill
Deputy Leader and Resources Portfolio Holder – Councillor Wharton
Children, Young People and Families Portfolio Holder – Councillor Swain
Health and Adults Portfolio Holder – Councillor Wright

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Neighbourhood, Leisure and Sport Portfolio Holder – Councillor Harris Community Safety Portfolio Holder – Councillor D. Cargill Environmental Sustainability Portfolio Holder – Councillor Nelson Economic Development Portfolio Holder – Councillor Jones Physical Environment Portfolio Holder – Councillor McInerney Transportation Portfolio Holder – Councillor Stockton