

F O R W A R D P L A N

FOR THE PERIOD : 1 FEBRUARY 2013 TO 31 MAY 2013

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.

**FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS FOR THE PERIOD
1 FEBRUARY 2013 TO 31 MAY 2013**

	MATTER TO BE DECIDED	DECISION MAKER AND DATE	
1	To give permission to The Bankfield School to apply for Presumption and the development of a Post 16 Centre	Executive Board	Not before 1st March, 2013
2	14-19 Strategic Commissioning Statement 2013-14	Executive Board	28 February 2013
3	School Admission Arrangements 2014	Executive Board	28 March 2013
4	Ashley School re-designation	Executive Board	28 March 2013
5	Peelhouse Lane Site	Executive Board	28 February 2013
6	Public Consultation on the Adoption of the Housing Strategy 2013-16	Executive Board	28 March 2013
7	Land Disposal for Housing Development at Falkirk Avenue	Executive Board	7 February 2013
8	Transfer of Public Health Contracts/Services to the Local Council	Executive Board	28 February 2013

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Children Young People and Families Portfolio

To give permission to The Bankfield School to apply for Presumption and the development of a Post 16 Centre	Executive Board Not before 1st March, 2013		Schools and Riverside College; Young people; Unions; Businesses; Communities; 14-19 partnership; Dioceses; Primary Care Trust; Representations should be made to the Strategic Director Children and Enterprise.	Raising the Participation Age: supporting local areas to deliver DCSF 2009 www.dcsf.gov.uk; Expanding a maintained mainstream school by enlarging or adding a sixth form - a guide for local authorities and governing bodies; www.dscf.gov.uk	Ann McIntyre ann.mcintyre@halton.gov.uk
14-19 Strategic Commissioning Statement 2013-14	Executive Board 28 February 2013	To ratify the 14-19 Strategic Commissioning Statement for 2013-14.	All groups listed have had the opportunity to review the statement and provide feedback before the final report is presented to Executive Board:	paper to Executive Board; 14-19 Strategic Commissioning Statement 2013-14; Appendix 1 Strategic Analysis and Appendix 2 Summary of Options of 14-19	Gerald Meehan gerald.meehan@halton.gov.uk

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			<p>Apprenticeship Strategy Group; Young People Not in Education or Training (NEET) Strategy Group; NEET Vulnerable Young People Group; Employment Learning and Skills Department; Children and Enterprise Senior Management Team; Children's Trust Children's and Families Commissioning Group; 11-19 Partnership</p> <p>Any person wishing to make representations should do so in writing to Gerald Meehan, Strategic Director, Children and Enterprise, Municipal Building, Kingsway, Widnes WA8 7QF by 15</p>	Strategic Commissioning Statement 2013-14	

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School Admission Arrangements 2014	Executive Board 28 March 2013	To approve the Council's School Admissions Policy for the September 2014 intake for all community and voluntary controlled schools for which the Local Authority is the admission authority, and to approve the Co-ordinated Admissions Schemes for all primary and secondary schools in the Borough.	<p>February 2013.</p> <p>Statutory consultation is undertaken via a comprehensive consultation document on the Council's website and also issued via the Local Authority Circular with all primary and secondary schools, neighbouring local authorities and the four Diocesan authorities representing voluntary aided schools in Halton.</p> <p>Representations can only be made as part of the statutory consultation process which closes on 27 February 2013. All consultees are aware of the deadline.</p>	All documentation will be attached to the Executive Board report.	Martin West martin.west@halton.gov.uk

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Ashley School re-designation	Executive Board 28 March 2013	To consider the outcome of the statutory consultation on the re-designation of Ashley School.	Schools, parents, Health bodies, pupils, neighbouring authorities and other stakeholders, either by letter, reports and public meetings. Any person wishing to make representations should do so in writing to Gerald Meehan, Strategic Director, Children and Enterprise, Municipal Building, Kingsway, Widnes by 14 March 2013.	NAS Review and Halton Council Development Plan 2012; Executive Board reports 18 October 2012 and 24 January 2013.	Steven Nyakatawa steve.nyakatawa@halton.gov.uk

Children Young People and Families Portfolio and Physical Environment Portfolio

Peelhouse Lane Site	Executive Board 28 February 2013	Approval is sought from Members to commence consultations and planning applications which will be necessary to deliver the new cemetery and	Senior Management Team. Any person wishing to make representations should do so in writing to Wesley	Former Fairfield High School and Land paper, Executive Board 14 June 2012.	Wesley Rourke wesley.rourke@halton.gov.uk
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		<p>school improvements.</p> <p>It also seeks approval to place 11.35 acres of land fronting Peelhouse Lane in the open market for sale as residential building land and to that land, to be shown in the report, to be appropriated from education purposes to be held for planning purposes in terms of Sections 232 and 237 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.</p>	Rourke, Operational Director, Municipal Building, Kingsway, Widnes by 14 February 2013.		

Neighbourhood, Leisure and Sport Portfolio

Public Consultation on the Adoption of the Housing Strategy 2013-16	Executive Board 28 March 2013	To decide whether to adopt the Housing Strategy 2013-16 as a draft for public consultation.	External partners including Registered Providers of social housing, PCT, Police, Cheshire Fire and Rescue, Job Centre Plus	Halton Housing Strategy 2013-16 consultation draft; Halton Housing Strategy 2013-16 evidence paper consultation draft	Joanne Sutton joanne.sutton@halton.gov.uk
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			<p>and for comment through established partnership structures such as the Halton Strategic Partnership and Halton Housing Partnership. A copy will also be posted on the Council's website for public comment.</p> <p>Any person wishing to make representations should do so in writing to Joanne Sutton, Principal Policy Officer, Runcorn Town Hall, Heath Road, Runcorn WA7 5TD by 15 March 2013.</p>		

Resources Portfolio

Land Disposal for Housing Development at Falkirk Avenue	Executive Board 7 February 2013	Approval to the disposal of circa 4.34 acres of land, subject to planning permission, and	Resources portfolio holder. Any person wishing to make		Wesley Rourke wesley.rourke@halton.gov.uk
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		subject to contract.	representations should do so in writing to Gerald Meehan, Strategic Director, Children and Enterprise by 24 January 2013.		

Health and Adults

Transfer of Public Health Contracts/Services to the Local Council	Executive Board 28 February 2013		Executive Board. Any person wishing to make representations should do so in writing to Dwayne Johnson, Strategic Director, Communities, by 8 February 2013.		Dwayne Johnson dwayne.johnson@halton.gov.uk
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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 Philbin

Health and Adults Portfolio Holder – Councillor Wright

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 R. Hignett

Transportation Portfolio Holder – Councillor J. Stockton