FORWARD PLAN

FOR THE PERIOD: 1 FEBRUARY 2015 TO 31 MAY 2015

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 2015 TO 31 MAY 2015

	MATTER TO BE DECIDED	DECISION MAKER AND DATE	
1	Halton Suicide Prevention Strategy	Executive Board	12 February 2015
2	Care Act Implementation	Executive Board	12 March 2015
3	Household Waste Collection Policy	Executive Board	12 February 2015
4	Council Tax Base 2015/16	Council	4 March 2015
5	Budget 2015/16	Council	4 March 2015
6	Leisure Centre Options Paper	Executive Board	26 February 2015
7	Disposal of Lakeside Phase 2 land, Castlefields, for residential development	Executive Board	12 March 2015

Key Decision	Decision-Maker and Date	Brief Summary of Decision to be Taken	Consultees and Consultation method	Relevant Background Reports	Lead Officer Contact Details			
Health and Wellbeing Portfolio								
Halton Suicide Prevention Strategy	Executive Board 12 February 2015		Public and key stakeholders consulted via workshops, meetings and questionnaire.		Dr Elspeth Anwar Elspeth.Anwar@halton. gov.uk			
Care Act Implementation	Executive Board 12 March 2015	To approve the appointment of new posts crucial to the effective implementation of the Care Act 2014, and a number of policy and procedural changes as a result of statutory guidance within the Act.	Health Policy and Performance Board; Staff. Any person wishing to make a representation, should do so in writing to Sue Wallace-Bonner, Operational Director Prevention and Assessment by 31 January 2015, (susan.wallace-bonner@halton.gov.uk)		Sue Wallace-Bonner susan.wallace-bonner@halton.gov.uk			

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Environmental Services Portfolio							
Household Waste	Executive Board	Executive Board	The current policy	Executive Board	Jimmy Unsworth		

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Collection Policy	12 February 2015	will be asked to	and an updated	Report -	
		consider approving	draft will be subject	Household Waste	jimmy.unsworth@halton
		the adoption of an	to scrutiny by the	Collection Policy	<u>.gov.uk</u>
		updated Household	Environment and	17 March 2011	
		Waste Collection	Urban Renewal		
		Policy.	Policy and		
		-	Performance		
			Board, making a		
			recommendation to		
			Executive Board.		

Resources Portfolio

Council Tax Base 2015/16	Council 4 March 2015	To seek approval for the 2015/16 council tax base for the Borough.		Ed Dawson ed.dawson@halton.gov. uk
Budget 2015/16	Council 4 March 2015	To seek approval for the Council's revenue budget, capital programme and council tax for 2015/16.	The public via Area Forum meetings. The Chamber of Commerce via Bulletin.	Ed Dawson ed.dawson@halton.gov. uk

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Community and Sport Portfolio						
Leisure Centre	Executive Board	The current Leisure		Leisure Contract	Chris Patino	

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Options Paper	26 February 2015	Management	Management in	
		Contract will expire	Halton 2014	
		on 9 January 2016.	briefing paper	
		The Council needs		
		to consider its		
		future options		
		which will be		
		presented to		
		Executive Board.		

Physical Environment Portfolio

Disposal of Lakeside	Executive Board	To seek approval,	The development	Castlefields	Peter O'Donnell or
Phase 2 land,	12 March 2015	subject to planning	site is identified	Masterplan - An	Nathan Rennison
Castlefields, for		permission,	within the	ambition for	
residential		highway approval	Castlefields	regeneration and	
development		and subject to	Masterplan and the	a plan for action	
		contract, for the	Castlefields and	2003; Castlefields	
		disposal of c 3.5	Norton Priory	and Norton Priory	
		hectares (8.6	Supplementary	Supplementary	
		acres) of land for	Planning	Planning	
		residential	Document. Both	Document 2005	
		development to	documents are		
		contribute to the	adopted Council		
		delivery of the	policy and were		
		Castlefields	subject to extensive		
		Regeneration	public consultation		
		Masterplan.	focussed on		
			stakeholders and		
			the local community.		

Key Decision	Decision-Maker	Brief Summary of	Consultees and	Relevant	Lead Officer
	and Date	Decision to be	Consultation	Background	Contact Details
		Taken	method	Reports	

NOTE

The following Members comprise the Executive Board:

Leader – Councillor Polhill
Resources Portfolio Holder – Councillor Wharton
Children, Young People and Families Portfolio Holder – Councillor Philbin
Health and Wellbeing Portfolio Holder – Councillor Wright
Community and Sport Portfolio Holder – Councillor Harris
Community Safety Portfolio Holder – Councillor D. Cargill
Environmental Services Portfolio Holder – Councillor Nelson
Economic Development Portfolio Holder – Councillor Jones
Physical Environment Portfolio Holder – Councillor R. Hignett
Transportation Portfolio Holder – Councillor T McInerney