# FORWARD PLAN

FOR THE PERIOD: 1 MARCH 2023 TO 30 JUNE 2023

#### 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 MARCH 2023 TO 30 JUNE 2023

	MATTER TO BE DECIDED	DECISION MAKER AND DATE	
1	Budget 2023/24	Council	8 March 2023
2	Resource Implications of the Adult Social Care Charging Reforms	Executive Board	16 March 2023
3	Halton Borough Council and NHS Cheshire & Merseyside (Halton Place) : Joint Working Agreement	Executive Board	16 March 2023

Key Decision	Decision-Maker and Date	Brief Summary of Decision to be Taken	Consultees and Consultation method	Relevant Background Reports	Lead Officer Contact Details
Leader's Portfolio					
Budget 2023/24	Council 8 March 2023	To seek approval for the Council's revenue budget, capital programme and council tax for 2023/24.	Chamber of Commerce		Ed Dawson  ed.dawson@halton.gov. uk
Adult Social Care Port	tfolio				
Resource Implications of the Adult Social Care Charging Reforms	Executive Board 16 March 2023	Allocation of funds to provide resources, staffing and IT infrastructure, to meet the increased demands placed on the local authority to comply with the Government funding reforms for adult social care. This includes personnel resource to fulfil additional Care Act social care needs assessments and associated financial assessments, and IT systems to record progression towards the Care Cap, amongst other new	None – legislative requirement.  Any representations need to be made in writing to Sue Wallace-Bonner, Director of Adult Services, no later than 5 October 2022.		Executive Director of Adult Services

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		requirements.		•	
Halton Borough Council and NHS Cheshire & Merseyside (Halton Place): Joint Working Agreement	Executive Board 16 March 2023	requirements.  The current Joint Working Agreement (JWA) between Halton Borough Council (HBC) and *NHS Cheshire & Merseyside took effect on 1st April 2020 and is due to expire 31st March 2023.  This report proposes an extension to the current JWA for a period of 12	Prior to coming to Executive Board, the extension will be considered by the One Halton Adults Finance Sub Group and One Halton Finance & Performance Sub-Committee (with senior representatives from both HBC and ICB) whose role it is to ensure that an integrated system is developed and	Keports	Executive Director of Adult Services
		months. This allows for a full review of the JWA by the Integrated Care Board (ICB) and HBC. The extended JWA will be updated to reference the new governance arrangements in place, which came into force during	appropriately managed thus ensuring that the resources available to both Health and Social Care, including the Better Care Fund, are effectively used in the commissioning of delivery of personalised, responsive and		

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		2022/23.	holistic care to		
			those who are most		
			in need within our		
			community.		

### NOTE

#### The following Members comprise the Executive Board:

Leader – Councillor Wharton

Deputy Leader – Councillor Thompson

Corporate Services Portfolio Holder – Councillor Dennett

Children and Young People Portfolio Holder – Councillor T McInerney

Adult Social Care Portfolio Holder - Councillor J. Lowe

Health and Wellbeing Portfolio Holder – Councillor Wright

Community Safety Portfolio Holder - Councillor M. Lloyd Jones

Environmental and Urban Renewal Portfolio Holder – Councillor Nelson

Employment, Learning and Skills, and Community Portfolio Holder – Councillor Nolan

Climate Change Portfolio Holder – Councillor Harris

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