

The Forward Plan

This document sets out known 'key decisions' that will be taken by the Cabinet or one of the Cabinet Panels (the Executive) over the coming months.

Forthcoming decisions are published online to meet the statutory 28 day rule for each meeting of the Executive. Where it has not been possible to meet the 28 day rule for publication of notice of a key decision or an intention to meet in private, the relevant notices will be published as required by legislation as soon as possible.

What is a key decision?

A key decision is an Executive decision which is likely:

- to result in the local authority incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which
 are, significant having regard to the local authority's budget for the service or function to
 which the decision relates (in Wolverhampton, this is defined as expenditure or savings in
 excess of £250,000), and/or
- to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising **two or more wards** in the area of the local authority.

The report relating to a decision, together with any other documents being considered, will be available five clear days before the decision is to be taken (unless the documentation contains exempt information). Copies are available on the Council's website or can be requested from Democratic Services.

The forward plan also provides notice of when the Cabinet may decide to exclude the press and public during consideration of a particular matter due to the potential for disclosure of confidential or exempt information. The grounds upon which local authorities can exclude the press and public are specified by law, details of the exempt categories are available on request from Democratic Services.

Councillors or members of the public wishing to:

- make a representation about why a matter should be heard in public, or
- submit information to the decision-making body about an item in the forward plan, or
- request details of relevant documents, or
- seek advice about the Council's decision-making arrangements,

should contact the Democratic Services team:

Email: democratic.services@wolverhampton.gov.uk

Telephone: 01902 550320

Address: Civic Centre, St Peter's Square, Wolverhampton WV1 1SH

Forthcoming key decisions

Title of key decision:	Wards affected:	Decision to be taken by and date:	Public or private:	Lead Cabinet Member:	Employee to contact:
Our Council					
24 May 2023 - Exempt Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services Exempt Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services.	All Wards	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 24 May 2023	Fully Exempt	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	John Thompson Head of Procurement Tel: 01902 554503
Reserves, Provisions and Balances 2022-2023 To report on the Council's resources currently held as earmarked reserves, provisions and general balances as at 31 March 2023, taking account of the outturn position for 2022-2023.	All Wards	Cabinet 14 Jun 2023	Open	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	Alison Shannon Chief Accountant Tel: 01902 554561
Performance and Budget Outturn 2022-2023 To provide the Council's outturn position for 2022-2023 compared with approved budgets and targets and performance update against the Relighting Our City priorities.	All Wards	Cabinet 14 Jun 2023	Open	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	Alison Shannon Chief Accountant Tel: 01902 554561

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14 June 2023 - Public Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services Public Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services.	All Wards	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 14 Jun 2023	Open	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	John Thompson Head of Procurement Tel: 01902 554503
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Treasury Management - Annual Report 2022-2023 and Activity Monitoring Quarter One 2023-2024 To approve the Treasury Management - Annual Report 2022-2023 and Activity Monitoring Quarter One 2023-2024.	All Wards	Cabinet 12 Jul 2023	Open	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	Alison Shannon Chief Accountant Tel: 01902 554451
Capital Budget Outturn 2022-2023 including Quarter One Capital Budget Monitoring 2023-2024 To approve the capital budget outturn 2022-2023 including quarter one capital monitoring 2023-2024.	All Wards	Cabinet 12 Jul 2023	Open	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	Alison Shannon Chief Accountant Tel: 01902 554561

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12 July 2023 - Public Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services Public Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services.	All Wards	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 12 Jul 2023	Open	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	John Thompson Head of Procurement Tel: 01902 554503
LEP Gainshare monies for digital innovation purposes To seek approval to use LEP Gainshare monies for digital innovation purposes.	All Wards	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 12 Jul 2023	Open	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	Heather Clark Head of External Funding and Digital Projects Tel: 01902 555614
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Draft Budget and Medium Term Financial Strategy 2024-2025 to 2026-2027 To provide an update to the Draft Budget and Medium Term Financial Strategy 2024-2025 to 2026-2027; and agree the next steps that will be taken in order to address the financial pressures faced by the Council over the medium term.	All Wards	Cabinet 26 Jul 2023	Open	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	Alison Shannon Chief Accountant Tel: 01902 554561

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Performance and Budget Monitoring 2023-2024 To provide an integrated finance and performance update against the Relighting Our City priorities.	All Wards	Cabinet 26 Jul 2023	Open	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	Alison Shannon Chief Accountant Tel: 01902 554561
26 July 2023 - Public Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services Public Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services.	All Wards	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 26 Jul 2023	Open	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	John Thompson Head of Procurement Tel: 01902 554503
Council Tax Discretionary Discount Scheme Review of the existing Council Tax Discretionary Scheme.	All Wards	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 26 Jul 2023	Open	Councillor Obaida Ahmed, Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	Tracey Richards Head of Revenues and Benefits Tel: 01902 552493
26 July 2023 - Exempt Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services Exempt Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services.	All Wards	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 26 Jul 2023	Fully Exempt	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	John Thompson Head of Procurement Tel: 01902 554503
6 September 2023 - Public Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services Public Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services.	All Wards	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 6 Sep 2023	Open	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	John Thompson Head of Procurement Tel: 01902 554503

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18 October 2023 - Public Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services Public Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services.	All Wards	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 18 Oct 2023	Open	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	John Thompson Head of Procurement Tel: 01902 554503
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Capital Programme 2023-2024 to 2027-2028 Quarter Two Review To approve the capital programme 2023-2024 to 2027-2028 quarter two review.	All Wards	Cabinet 15 Nov 2023	Open	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	Alison Shannon Chief Accountant Tel: 01902 554561
Performance and Budget Monitoring 2023-2024 To provide an integrated finance and performance update against the Relighting Our City priorities.	All Wards	Cabinet 15 Nov 2023	Open	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	Alison Shannon Chief Accountant Tel: 01902 554561
15 November 2023 - Public Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services Public Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services.	All Wards	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 15 Nov 2023	Open	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	John Thompson Head of Procurement Tel: 01902 554503
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13 December 2023 - Public Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services Public Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services.	All Wards	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 13 Dec 2023	Open	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	John Thompson Head of Procurement Tel: 01902 554503

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17 January 2023 - Public Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services Public Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services.	All Wards	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 17 Jan 2024	Open	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	John Thompson Head of Procurement Tel: 01902 554503
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2024-2025 Budget and Medium Term Financial Strategy 2024-2025 to 2026-2027 To present a balanced budget for 2024-2025 aligned to the Council Plan priorities and an update on the Medium Term Financial Strategy 2024-2025 to 2026-2027.	All Wards	Cabinet 21 Feb 2024	Open	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	Alison Shannon Chief Accountant Tel: 01902 554561

Forward Plan of Key Decisions: 16 May 2023

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21 February 2024 - Public Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services Public Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services.	All Wards	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 21 Feb 2024	Open	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	John Thompson Head of Procurement Tel: 01902 554503
21 February 2024 - Exempt Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services Exempt Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services.	All Wards	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 21 Feb 2024	Fully Exempt	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	John Thompson Head of Procurement Tel: 01902 554503
20 March 2024 - Public Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services Public Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services.	All Wards	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 20 Mar 2024	Open	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	John Thompson Head of Procurement Tel: 01902 554503
20 March 2024 - Exempt Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services Exempt Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services.	All Wards	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 20 Mar 2024	Fully Exempt	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	John Thompson Head of Procurement Tel: 01902 554503

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24 April 2024 - Exempt Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services Exempt Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services.	All Wards	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 24 Apr 2024	Fully Exempt	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	John Thompson Head of Procurement Tel: 01902 554503
22 May 2024 - Public Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services Public Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services.	All Wards	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 22 May 2024	Open	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	John Thompson Head of Procurement Tel: 01902 554503
22 May 2024 - Exempt Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services Exempt Procurement Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services.	All Wards	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 22 May 2024	Fully Exempt	Councillor Obaida Ahmed Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital City	John Thompson Head of Procurement Tel: 01902 554503

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Thriving economy in all pa	rts of the city				
Wolverhampton Local Plan - Issues and Preferred Options Consultations To approve the Wolverhampton Local Plan Issues and Preferred Options Report.	All Wards	Cabinet 18 Oct 2023	Open	Councillor Stephen Simkins Deputy Leader: Inclusive City Economy	Michele Ross Lead Planning Manager Tel: 01902 554038
Strong families where child	dren grow up	well and achie	eve their full	potential	
Children's Social Care Reform Project Children's Social Care Reform Project.	All Wards	Cabinet 24 May 2023	Fully Exempt	Cabinet Member for Children and Young People	Alison Hinds Deputy Directo of Children's Social Care Tel: 01902 553055
Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) Grant Framework To present the grant framework for local providers of Holiday Activity and Food schemes.	All Wards	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 24 May 2023	Open	Cabinet Member for Children and Young People	Alice Vickers Co-production and Youth Engagement Manager Tel: 01902 556703

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Wolverhampton's Youth Justice Plan 2023-2024 To detail the key achievements within the Youth Offending Team during 2022-23 and the key priorities for 2023-2024.	All Wards	date: Cabinet 12 Jul 2023	Open	Cabinet Member for Children and Young People	Rachel King Head of Service Specialist Support Tel: 01902 555955
Fulfilled lives for all with qu	uality care for	those that ne	ed it		
Principal Social Worker Annual Report 2022-2023 Annual report of the Principal Social Worker for Adults and Children's Services in 2022-2023, outlining key activity, priorities and impact.	All Wards	Cabinet 26 Jul 2023	Open	Cabinet Member for Children and Young People Cabinet Member for Adults	Jennifer Rogers Principal Social Worker Tel: 01902 553209
Healthy, inclusive commun	nities				
Public Space Protection Order 2023 - Dog Control To consider the new Public Space Protection Order - Dog Control to commence 1 October 2023 for a period of three years.	All Wards	Cabinet 24 May 2023	Open	Councillor Steve Evans Cabinet Member for City Environment and Climate Change	Shaun Walker Section Leader Tel: 01902 554548
Statutory Food Service Plan Annual Statutory Food Service Plan outlining the work the service will complete for the year in relation to food hygiene and food standards (2023-2024)	All Wards	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 14 Jun 2023	Open	Councillor Steve Evans Cabinet Member for City Environment and Climate Change	Emily Fellows Team Leader – Environmental Health Tel: 01902 555190

Forward Plan of Key Decisions: 16 May 2023

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Bilston Asset Transformation Programme - Bilston Health & Wellbeing Facility Bilston Asset Transformation Programme - Bilston Health.	Bilston South; Bilston North	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 12 Jul 2023	Fully Exempt	Councillor Bhupinder Gakhal Cabinet Member for City Assets and Housing Councillor Jasbir Jaspal Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing	Ballal Raza Programme Manager
Good homes in well conne	cted neighbou	urhoods			
Resident Influence and Insight Strategy for Council Owned Housing 2023 - 2026 Approval for a Council Owned Housing Resident Influence and Insight Strategy.	All Wards	Cabinet 14 Jun 2023	Open	Councillor Bhupinder Gakhal Cabinet Member for City Assets and Housing	Michelle Garbett Service Lead Housing Strategy Tel: 01902 552954
Wolverhampton Homes Management Agreement Review To report on the summary and recommendations of the Independent Strategic Housing Review and to approve recommendations for the future management of Council Housing by Wolverhampton Homes.	All Wards	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 12 Jul 2023	Open	Councillor Bhupinder Gakhal Cabinet Member for City Assets and Housing	Andrew Bryant Service Lead – Landlord Services

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Hampton View, Heath Town - Surrender of lease To approve the agreed Heads of Terms with Sanctuary Housing Association for the surrender of lease for Hampton View and to agree the future use of the high-rise block.	Heath Town	Cabinet 15 Nov 2023	Fully Exempt	Councillor Bhupinder Gakhal Cabinet Member for City Assets and Housing	Karen Beasley Head of Housing Development Tel: 01902 554893		
Revision to the Private Sector Housing Assistance Policy Revision to be made to the Private Sector Assistance Policy following review.	All Wards	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 15 Nov 2023	Open	Councillor Bhupinder Gakhal Cabinet Member for City Assets and Housing	Michelle Garbett Service Lead Housing Strategy Tel: 01902 552954		
Housing Asset Management Strategy 2024 - 2028 To approve Asset Management Strategy 2024-2028 for council owned housing stock.	All Wards	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 15 Nov 2023	Open	Councillor Bhupinder Gakhal Cabinet Member for City Assets and Housing	Karen Beasley Head of Housing Development Tel: 01902 554893		
More local people into good jobs and training							
City East Gateway A454 Phase 1 and 2 - Willenhall Road Progress Report To present a progress report on the project including a review of implementation options. Potential authority to proceed to Full Business Case including land acquisition	East Park; Heath Town	Cabinet (Resources) Panel 6 Sep 2023	Fully Exempt	Councillor Steve Evans Cabinet Member for City Environment and Climate Change	Marianne Page Head of Strategic Transport Tel: 01902 551798		

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		date:			