CITY OF WAKEFIELD METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

EXECUTIVE LEADER'S FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS

1 MARCH 2024 - 30 JUNE 2024

NOTICE – EXECUTIVE LEADER'S FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS

For the four month period – 1 March 2024 to 30 June 2024.
Published – 1 February 2024.
The Council will publish a Forward Plan, which contains key decisions that the Council expects to make over the next four months and also includes those decisions to be taken in the current month. The Plan is updated and published twenty eight days before the beginning of each month. The next one to be published will be on the 1 March 2024 and will then contain all the key decisions for the four-month period April to July 2024. The Forward Plan details key decisions to be taken by the Council and the Cabinet and by Executive Members and by Officers, where appropriate, under delegated powers.

The Plan indicates:

- who will make the decision;
- when decisions are likely to be taken;
- who you can contact about the decision, to obtain copies of documents and to make representations;
- the name of the relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- the consultation arrangements, if any;
- the documents available relating to the decisions and when and where they will be available.

Key decisions are:

- any executive decision (as opposed to a regulatory decision) to incur expenditure or receive income over a financial threshold set by the Council.
- any decision which has a significant effect in more than one Ward.

The full definition of key decisions is given in the Council's Constitution. The law and the Council's Constitution provides for decisions to be made when it has not been possible to give notice in the Forward Plan, and the rules for this procedure are also contained in the Constitution.

Details of how to contact the named Officer by letter or telephone can be obtained from the Council's website or from the main switchboard on 01924 306090 between the hours of 8.30 a.m. and 5.00 p.m. Mondays to Thursdays and 8.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. on Fridays.

A decision notice for each decision made by the Cabinet is published within 2 working days of it having been made. This is open for public inspection on the Council's website.

Copies of the Plan are available on the Council's website www.wakefield.gov.uk.

If you have any questions about the Forward Plan, please contact the Chief Legal Officer, Wakefield One, Wakefield, e-mail: committeeservices@wakefield.gov.uk.

Cabinet Comprises:

Leader of the Council	Councillor Denise Jeffery
Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Climate Change and Environment	Councillor Jack Hemingway
Portfolio Holder for Children and Young People	Councillor Margaret Isherwood
Portfolio Holder for Communities, Poverty and Health	Councillor Maureen Cummings
Portfolio Holder for Culture, Leisure and Sport	Councillor Michelle Collins
Portfolio Holder for Planning and Highways	Councillor Matthew Morley
Portfolio Holder for Regeneration & Economic Growth	Councillor Michael Graham
Portfolio Holder for Resources and Property	Councillor Les Shaw

Full **Council** comprises all 63 Members of the Council as follows:

Ahmed, N	Harvey, S	Morley, M
Akbar, A	Hayes, A	Nicholls, D
Ali, U	Hemingway, J	Owen, I
Appleyard, H	Heptinstall, S	Page, G
Ayre, G	Hepworth, J	Pickersgill, D
Ayub, M	Homewood, T	Pritchard, J
Bates, S	Hunt, R	Rhodes, E
Binns, C	Isherwood, G	Rowley, O
Bryan, J	Isherwood, M	Scott, K
Byford, D	Jeffery, D M	Sharp, N
Carrington, J	Jones, M	Shaw, L
Collins, M	Keith, C	Speak, R
Cummings, M	Khan, A	Speight, J
Farmer, N	Kitching, P	Stockhill, P
Ferguson, J	Law, K	Swift, K
Forster, R	Malkin, L	Tennant, C
Garbutt, A	Massey, R	Tennant-King, M
Glover, A	Mayhew, B	Tulley, S
Girt, P	Medford, J	Vickers, S
Graham, M	Masterman, L	Wallis, A
Hames, T	Mitchell, H	Williamson, J

Key Decision and Brief Description, Reference No. and Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee (O&SC)	Decision Taker and Expected Date of Decision	Contact Officer	Consultation Arrangements/ Overview & Scrutiny Input	Background Papers	Date First included in the Plan
Highways Annual Maintenance Programme 2024/2025 To advise Cabinet of the current road network performance and to identify the list of highway schemes to be designed or installed in the period 2024-2025. **ID No: 1925/1023** **O&SC: Climate Change and Environmental Wellbeing - Chair, Cllr A Wallis**	Cabinet February 2024	Martin Barnes Service Manager Highways, Infrastructure and Traffic Management Tel: 0345 8 506 506 mbarnes@wakefield.gov.uk			October 2023
Capital Programme Update 2023/24 as at quarter 3 including new project proposals This report sets out the updated capital programme through to 2027/28 including details of any proposed new approvals. This will also include an update on expenditure incurred up to end of December 2023. **ID No: 1926/1023** **O&SC: Wakefield Overview and Scrutiny Management Board - Chair, Cllr G Isherwood**	Cabinet February 2024	Caroline Carter Interim Chief Finance Officer ccarter@wakefield.gov.uk	DMT and CMT		October 2023

Strategic Acquisitions for Castleford The appendices to the report will be considered in private on the grounds that they are likely to involve the disclosure of exempt information as described in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended. Approval of the final two strategic acquisitions as part of projects ongoing in Castleford. **ID No: 1951/0224** **O&SC: Regeneration, Employment and Skills - Chair, Cllr D Pickersgill**	Cabinet February 2024	Joanne Hill, Interim Service Manager - Strategic Housing & Regeneration joahill@wakefield.gov.uk			February 2024
Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme Phase 3c Funding To seek approval to accept Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme Phase 3c (PSDS) grant funding. The grant funding will be used for capital works at selected proprieties in the Council's buildings portfolio for the replacement of end-of-life gas fired heating systems. **ID No: 1955/0324** **O&SC: Climate Change and Environmental Wellbeing - Chair, Cllr A Wallis**	Leader of the Council February 2024	Helen Grayshan Climate Change Programme and Partnership Manager hgrayshan@wakefield.gov.uk			March 2024

Local Capital Programme and Community Infrastructure Levy Neighbourhood Fund Update To receive an update on community grant, decide future financial allocations and approve any changes to the schemes. **ID No: 1909/0723** **O&SC: Climate Change and Environmental Wellbeing - Chair, Cllr A Wallis**	Cabinet March 2024	Pam Taylor Interim Service Director pamtaylor@wakefield.gov.uk			July 2023
Introduction of a Fee for the Provision of a Financial Support and Management Service for Service Users' Personal Income and Assets The Council as part of safeguarding procedures ensures that where an individual does not have capacity to deal with their finances that it considers all options of a family member, friend or carer to act. In circumstances where there is no willing, able or suitable person to act and it is in the individual's best interest the Council then provides this function/service. This proposal seeks to introduce an equitable position for those people using services who finances are managed through methods other than Deputyship. **ID No: 1884/0423** **O&SC: Adult Services, Public Health and the NHS - Chair, Cllr Mrs E Rhodes**	Cabinet March 2024	Angela Hemingway Head of Service Tel: 01924 307406 angelahemingway@wakefield.gov.uk			April 2023

Welbeck Country Park To report on feasibility work and options appraisal from the Cabinet decision of March 2022 and consider next steps for the development of Welbeck Country Park. **Reason for alteration to date:** Further information to be collated. **ID No: 1924/1023** **O&SC: Climate Change and Environmental Wellbeing - Chair, Cllr A Wallis**	Cabinet March 2024	Charlie Tindill Street Scene Manager Tel: 01924 307456 ctindill@wakefield.gov.uk			October 2023
Creating a District Wide Net Zero Partnership To seek approval for the creation of a District Wide Net Zero Partnership, that the Council will facilitate. **ID No: 1940/1223** **O&SC: Climate Change and Environmental Wellbeing - Chair, Cllr A Wallis**	Cabinet March 2024	Helen Grayshan Climate Change Programme and Partnership Manager hgrayshan@wakefield.gov.uk			December 2023
Wakefield Eastern Relief Road compensation claims under Part 1 of the Land Compensation Act 1973 To consider an injection of funding into the capital programme for costs associated with claims under the Land Compensation Act 1973 following the opening of the Wakefield Eastern Relief Road.	Cabinet March 2024	Martin Barnes Service Manager Highways, Infrastructure and Traffic Management Tel: 0345 8 506 506 mbarnes@wakefield.gov.uk			January 2024

ID No: 1946/0124 **O&SC: Climate Change and Environmental Wellbeing - Chair, Cllr A Wallis**					
Delivering the Housing Growth at City Fields To approve the disposal of the Council owned land at City Fields (Phase 1) to the open market. **ID No: 1950/0224** **O&SC: Climate Change and Environmental Wellbeing - Chair, Cllr A Wallis**	Cabinet March 2024	Adam Hunter Corporate Property and Estates Team Leader adamhunter@wakefield.gov.uk			February 2024
Connecting Care in the Wakefield District To approve grant funding to allow for the continuation of the roles of Age UK Wakefield District and Carers Wakefield & District in the Connecting Care Hubs. Grant funding for a period of one year with the option to extend for a further year will allow for the review of Connecting Care within the Wakefield District and align with the proposed move towards the Neighbourhood Network model. **ID No: 1952/0324** **O&SC: Adult Services, Public Health and the NHS - Chair, Cllr Mrs E Rhodes**	Cabinet March 2024	Katherine Purton Service Manager Joint Commissioning (Adults) kpurton@wakefield.gov.uk Catherine Jackson Senior Commissioning Manager Personalisation & Prevention cjackson@wakefield.gov.uk	Legal, Finance & Procurement		March 2024

Hepworth Gallery HVAC Remediation Project To approve the drawdown of funds from the Long Term Maintenance Plan to address lifecycle and upgrade needs of the Heating, Ventilation & Air Conditioning (HVAC) plant at the Hepworth Gallery. **ID No: 1953/0324** **O&SC: Climate Change and Environmental Wellbeing - Chair, Cllr A Wallis**	Cabinet March 2024	Paul Kennedy Project & Contract Manager pkennedy@wakefield.gov.uk			March 2024
Delivery Options for Council Owned Land at Castleford for residential development To seek approval for the delivery of homes on 2 council owned sites on Wheldon Road, Castleford. **ID No: 1944/0124** **Reason for amendment to date:** More consultation time required. **O&SC: Regeneration, Employment and Skills - Chair, Cllr D Pickersgill**	Cabinet June 2024	David Fowles Housing Growth Manager Tel: 01924 306531 dfowles@wakefield.gov.uk	The sites are in Special Policy Area 4 within the existing and proposed Local Plan and these will have been consulted on during that process. In 2018 the Aire River Growth Corridor Masterplan was approved by Cabinet and this was developed collaboratively with a full range of key internal and external stakeholders.		January 2024

Delivering new affordable housing on the former Waterton Road Junior and Infants School site Seek Cabinet approval to enter into funding agreement (if successful) for Brownfield Land Release Fund and underwrite costs of the demolition and clearance using section 106 ring fenced affordable housing commuted sum money and capital borrowing. **ID No: 1943/0124** **Reason for amendment to date:** More consultation time required. **O&SC: Regeneration, Employment and Skills - Chair, Cllr D Pickersgill**	Cabinet June 2024	David Fowles Housing Growth Manager Tel: 01924 306531 dfowles@wakefield.gov.uk	Education Services have confirmed that the land is surplus to requirements. School has been closed for over 12 years so no requirement to consult the Department for Education. Consultation will be required before the site is cleared due to proximity of surrounding houses and development proposals will be subject to the usual consultation required through the planning process.		January 2024
LEVI Grant Funding for Public EV Charging Infrastructure A decision to accept funding and enter into a Grant Funding Agreement with WYCA for the delivery of public electric vehicle charging infrastructure. **ID No: 1937/1223**	Cabinet June 2024	Helen Grayshan Climate Change Programme and Partnership Manager hgrayshan@wakefield.gov.uk			December 2023

Reason for amendment to date: Further information to be collated. **O&SC: Climate Change and Environmental Wellbeing - Chair, Cllr A Wallis**					
Wakefield District Destination Management Plan Approval for Wakefield new visitor economy strategy. **ID No: 1954/0324** **O&SC: Regeneration, Employment and Skills - Chair, Cllr D Pickersgill**	Cabinet June 2024	Ben Cook Service Manager Culture, Tourism & Creative Industries Tel: 01924 305136 bcook@wakefield.gov.uk			March 2024