

Individual Decision

The attached report will be taken as a
Individual Executive Member Decision on:

Thursday 8 December 2016

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Individual Executive Member Decision

West Berkshire Council Forward Plan - 13 January 2017 to 30 April 2017 - Summary Report

Committee considering report:	Individual Executive Member Decision
Date of Committee:	08 December 2016
Portfolio Member:	Councillor Roger Croft - Leader of the Council
Forward Plan Ref:	ID3130

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To advise Members and residents of items to be considered by West Berkshire Council over the next four months.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the Leader of the Council agrees and where appropriate amends the West Berkshire Council Forward Plan.

3. Implications

- 3.1 **Financial:** The Forward Plan has no financial implications.
- 3.2 **Policy:** The Forward Plan details the Policies to be adopted by West Berkshire Council.
- 3.3 **Personnel:** The Forward Plan has no personnel implications.
- 3.4 **Legal:** The Forward Plan has no legal implications.
- 3.5 **Risk Management:** The Forward Plan has no risk management implications.
- 3.6 **Property:** The Forward Plan has no property implications.
- 3.7 **Other:** Not applicable.

4. Consultation Responses

Members:

Leader of Council:	Leader of the Council
Overview & Scrutiny Management Commission Chairman:	Councillor Emma Webster at Overview and Scrutiny Management Commission meetings.
Ward Members:	All Members
Opposition	Councillor Alan Macro at Overview and Scrutiny Management

- Spokesperson:** Commission meetings.
- Local Stakeholders:** The West Berkshire Forward Plan will be published the first working day after the Individual Decision is signed.
- Officers Consulted:** Nick Carter, John Ashworth, Rachael Wardell, Heads of Service, Group Executive.
- Trade Union:** Not sought.

5. Other options considered

5.1 Not applicable.

6. Appendices

6.1 Appendix A – Supporting Information

6.2 Appendix B - Equalities Impact Assessment

6.3 Appendix C – West Berkshire Council Forward Plan – 13 January 2016 to 30 April 2017

6.4 Appendix D – Notice of Private Decisions for 19 January 2017 Executive meeting

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West Berkshire Council Forward Plan - 13 January 2017 to 30 April 2017 – Supporting Information

1. Introduction/Background

- 1.1 West Berkshire Council's Forward Plan, which is published monthly, sets out the key decisions that the Executive (either collectively or by Individual Executive Members) are expected to take over the next four months.
- 1.2 Key decisions are defined by the Government (Regulation 8 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements)(Access to Information)(England) Regulations 2001) as:
- (1) Those which 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 is related.
 - (2) Those which are significant in terms of its effect on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the Local Authority.
- 1.3 The introduction of The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 in September 2012 included a requirement to publish 28 clear days' notice of any intended key decision. It should be noted that "clear days" means working days, from midnight to midnight, and excludes weekends and public holidays, so 28 clear days equates to around 5½ normal weeks.
- 1.4 On occasions, however, situations may arise where an urgent decision needs to be made in respect of an item that does not appear on the Forward Plan. There are two different ways in which this can be done:
- (i) the authority can take an urgent key decision without giving 28 days' notice where it is impracticable to give the full notice, provided that the authority gives at least five days' clear notice to all Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Commission, which can then call in the decision to check that it was genuinely urgent; or
 - (ii) where a key decision is so urgent there is not even time to give five clear days' notice, the authority can take the decision if the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Commission has agreed that the key decision is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred.
- 1.5 In addition The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 introduced an entirely new requirement for the Council to publish 28 clear days' notice of the intention to hold a private meeting (or part of a meeting) of the Executive. This 28 day notice must be

reinforced by a five day notice which sets out the reasons for the meeting to be held in private, details of any propositions received as to why the meeting should be open, and the Council's response. The response will be provided by the Monitoring Officer. The regulations again provide for an urgency procedure, under which the Council can decide the matter with shorter than 28 or five days' notice, provided that it has first obtained the consent of the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Commission.

- 1.6 There are currently two confidential items scheduled for the 19 January 2017 Executive meeting. The required notice is attached as Appendix B and will be displayed at the Council. If any representations are received the five day notice will be issued on 11 January 2017. The items are:
- EX3169 - Healthy Child Programme 0-19/25 Commissioning and Service Redesign
 - EX3194 - Staffing implications associated with savings put forward to deliver the 2017/18 revenue budget: approval to pay redundancy payments – Strand Two
- 1.7 Details of decisions that Full Council, the Governance and Ethics Committee and the Personnel Committee are going to take are also included for ease of reference. It should, however, be noted that the 2012 Regulations only apply to Executive meetings.
- 1.8 It should also be noted that any changes made to Executive Member Portfolios will be reflected in the Forward Plan once they are known.
- 1.9 Publication of the Forward Plan remains a statutory requirement of the Local Authority. The Forward Plan, any General Exception Decision Notices and Notices of Private Decisions have to be available for inspection and also have to be published on the Council's website.

Background Papers:

None.

Subject to Call-In:

Yes: No:

The item is due to be referred to Council for final approval	<input type="checkbox"/>
Delays in implementation could have serious financial implications for the Council	<input type="checkbox"/>
Delays in implementation could compromise the Council's position	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Considered or reviewed by Overview and Scrutiny Management Commission or associated Task Groups within preceding six months	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Item is Urgent Key Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>
Report is to note only	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Appendix B

Equality Impact Assessment - Stage One

We need to ensure that our strategies, policies, functions and services, current and proposed have given due regard to equality and diversity.

Please complete the following questions to determine whether a Stage Two, Equality Impact Assessment is required.

Name of policy, strategy or function:	Forward Plan
Version and release date of item (if applicable):	
Owner of item being assessed:	Moira Fraser
Name of assessor:	Jo Reeves
Date of assessment:	30 November 2016

Is this a:		Is this:	
Policy	No	New or proposed	No
Strategy	No	Already exists and is being reviewed	No
Function	No	Is changing	No
Service	No		

1. What are the main aims, objectives and intended outcomes of the policy, strategy function or service and who is likely to benefit from it?	
Aims:	
Objectives:	
Outcomes:	
Benefits:	

2. Note which groups may be affected by the policy, strategy, function or service. Consider how they may be affected, whether it is positively or negatively and what sources of information have been used to determine this. (Please demonstrate consideration of all strands – Age, Disability, Gender Reassignment, Marriage and Civil Partnership, Pregnancy and Maternity, Race, Religion or Belief, Sex and Sexual Orientation.)		
Group Affected	What might be the effect?	Information to support this.

None		
Further Comments relating to the item:		

3. Result	
Are there any aspects of the policy, strategy, function or service, including how it is delivered or accessed, that could contribute to inequality?	No
Please provide an explanation for your answer:	
Will the policy, strategy, function or service have an adverse impact upon the lives of people, including employees and service users?	No
Please provide an explanation for your answer:	

If your answers to question 2 have identified potential adverse impacts and you have answered ‘yes’ to either of the sections at question 3, or you are unsure about the impact, then you should carry out a Stage 2 Equality Impact Assessment.

If a Stage Two Equality Impact Assessment is required, before proceeding you should discuss the scope of the Assessment with service managers in your area. You will also need to refer to the Equality Impact Assessment guidance and Stage Two template.

4. Identify next steps as appropriate:	
Stage Two required	
Owner of Stage Two assessment:	
Timescale for Stage Two assessment:	
Stage Two not required:	Yes

Name: Jo Reeves

Date: 30 November 2016

Please now forward this completed form to Rachel Craggs, the Principal Policy Officer (Equality and Diversity) for publication on the WBC website.

West Berkshire Council Forward Plan

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West Berkshire Council Forward Plan 13 January 2017 to 30 April 2017

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Reference	Item	Purpose	Decision Body	Month/Year	Executive	ID	Date Report Published	Council	Governance and Ethics Committee	OSMC	Other	Officer and Contact No	Directorate	Lead Member	Consultee(s)	Part II	Call In
EX3164	Alternative Provision for young people with additional needs, Education Plan	To approve the configuration of alternative provision in West Berkshire from September 2017	EX	01 January 2017	19/01/17 EX		11/01/17					Caroline Simmonds	Communities	Children & Young People		No	Yes
EX3053	School Funding Formula 2017/18	local authority on an annual basis to review the school funding formula, consult with all schools on its proposals, and gain political	EX	01 January 2017	19/01/17 EX		11/01/17					Claire White	Communities	Children & Young People			
EX3169	Commissioning and Service Redesign (Paragraph 3 – information relating to financial/business affairs of particular person) (Paragraph 5 – information relating to financial/business affairs of particular person)	to the Head of Public Health and Wellbeing, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder, to award the integrated Healthy Child Programme (HCP) contract for 0-19/25 year olds (up to 25 years for young people with special educational needs and disabilities).	EX	01 January 2017	19/01/17 EX		11/01/17					Lesley Wyman	Resources	Deputy Leader, Health and Wellbeing		Yes	No
EX3194	Staffing implications associated with savings put forward to deliver the 2017/18 revenue budget: approval to pay redundancy payments – Strand Two (Paragraph 1 - information relating to an individual) (Paragraph 2 - information identifying an individual)	To seek approval to make the redundancy payments associated with the required staffing implications associated with savings to deliver the 2017/18 revenue budget.	EX	01 January 2017	19/01/17 EX		11/01/17					Robert O'Reilly	Resources	Corporate Services and External Affairs		Yes	No
ID3131	West Berkshire Forward Plan - 14 February 2017 - 31 May 2017	To agree the Forward Plan for the next four months.	ID	01 January 2017		12/01/17	04/01/17					Moira Fraser	Resources	Leader, Strategy & Performance, Economic Growth			
ID3212	Annual Equalities Report	Council's Equalities Objectives which is required by legislation to be published on the	ID	01 January 2017		09/01/17	29/12/16					Rachel Craggs	Resources	Resilience & Partnerships			
ID3190	the West Berkshire Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education	To recommend appointments on the West Berkshire Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education.	ID	01 January 2017		01/01/17	tbc					Jo Watt	Resources	Children & Young People			
EX3195	Staffing implications associated with savings put forward to deliver the 2017/18 revenue budget: approval to pay redundancy payments (Strand 3) (Paragraph 1 - information relating to an individual) (Paragraph 2 - information identifying an individual)	To seek approval to make the redundancy payments associated with the required staffing implications associated with savings to deliver the 2017/18 revenue budget.	EX	01 February 2017	16/02/17 EX		08/02/17					Robert O'Reilly	Resources	Corporate Services and External Affairs		Yes	No
EX3137	Financial Performance Report 2016/17 - Quarter Three	To inform Members of the latest financial performance of the Council.	EX	01 February 2017	16/02/17 EX		08/02/17					Shannon Coleman-Slaughter	Resources	Finance and Transformation			
EX3217	Revised Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 123 List	Levy Regulations 123 list following the EIP into the Housing Sites Allocation	EX	01 February 2017	16/02/17 EX		08/02/17					Sarah Ball	Environment	Planning and Housing			
GE3209	Accounting Policies	The purpose of the report is to approve the Accounting Policies that will be used to produce the Annual Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2017.	GE	01 February 2017			27/01/17		06/02/17 GE			Lesley Flannigan	Resources	Finance and Transformation			
GE3091	Internal Audit Interim Report 16-17	To update the Committee on the outcome of internal audit work.	GE	01 February 2017			27/01/17		06/02/17 GE			Ian Priestley	Resources	Corporate Services and External Affairs			
GE3092	Monitoring Officer's Quarterly Update Report to the Governance and Ethics Committee – Quarter 3 of 2016/17	To provide an update on local and national issues relating to ethical standards and to bring to the attention of the Committee any complaints or other problems within West Berkshire.	GE	01 February 2017			27/01/17		06/02/17 GE			Sarah Clarke	Resources	Chairman of Governance and Ethics Committee			
GE3189	Webcasting Policy	meetings to be webcast and provide guidance to Councillors.	GE	01 February 2017			27/01/17		06/02/17 GE			Jo Reeves	Resources	Governance and Ethics Committee			
ID3132	West Berkshire Forward Plan - 28 March 2017 - 30 June 2017	To agree the Forward Plan for the next four months.	ID	01 February 2017		23/02/17	15/02/17					Moira Fraser	Resources	Leader, Strategy & Performance, Economic Growth			
ID3219	Sandbag Policy	To agree the Council's sandbag policy.	ID	01 February 2017		16/02/17	08/02/17					Stuart Clark	Environment	Highways and Transport			

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PC3214	Remuneration for Election Roles	To consider the remuneration offered for various roles associated with elections.	PC	01 February 2017			31/01/17				08/02/17 PC	Nick Carter/ Phil Runacres	Resources	Corporate Services and External Affairs			
PC3216	English Language Fluency Policy	To consider the English Language Fluency Policy	PC	01 February 2017			31/01/17				08/02/17 PC	Katie Penlington	Resources	Corporate Services and External Affairs			
C3114	Health and Wellbeing Strategy Refresh	To seek approval for the Health and Wellbeing Strategy refresh.	C	01 March 2017			22/02/17	02/03/17 C			HWBB - 29/09/16	Lesley Wyman	Resources	Health and Wellbeing (Deputy Leader)			
C3174	Health and Wellbeing Board Governance	Board) can drive improvement against the health and wellbeing strategy and fulfil its intended role as a system leader, this report defines how its governance will be amended to enable it to be more effective.	C	01 March 2017			22/02/17	02/03/17 C			HWBB - 29/09/16	Jo Reeves	Resources	Deputy Leader, Health and Wellbeing			
C3093	Amendments to the Constitution - Scheme of Delegation	To review and amend sections of the Scheme of Delegation in light of legislative changes and current practice.	C	01 March 2017			22/02/17	02/03/17 C				Sarah Clarke	Resources	Leader, Strategy & Performance, Economic Growth			
C3118	Investment and Borrowing Strategy 2017/18	In compliance with The Local Government Act 2003, this report summarises the Council's borrowing limits as set out by CIPFA's Prudential Code, and recommends the Annual Investment and Borrowing Strategy for 2017/18.	C	01 March 2017	16/02/17 EX		22/02/17	02/03/17 C				Andy Walker	Resources	Finance and Transformation			
C3119	Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS): 2017-20	To agree the medium term financial planning and strategy for the organisation.	C	01 March 2017	16/02/17 EX		22/02/17	02/03/17 C				Andy Walker	Resources	Finance and Transformation			
C3120	Capital Strategy and Programme 2017/18 to 2021/22	To outline the five year Capital Strategy for 2017 to 2022, including the Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) Statement and the Asset Management Plans for Property and Highways, and to set out the funding framework for the Council's five year Capital Programme for 2017/18 to 2021/22.	C	01 March 2017	16/02/17 EX		22/02/17	02/03/17 C				Andy Walker	Resources	Finance and Transformation			
C3121	Revenue Budget 2017/18	To consider and recommend to Council the 2017-18 Revenue Budget.	C	01 March 2017	16/02/17 EX		22/02/17	02/03/17 C			01/12/16 BB	Andy Walker	Resources	Finance and Transformation			
C3122	Statutory Pay Policy 2017	To seek approval for publication of the Statutory Pay Policy Statement, effective from 1 st April 2017.	C	01 March 2017			22/02/17	02/03/17 C			08/02/17 PC	Jane Milone	Resources	Corporate Services and External Affairs			
C3208	Library Service Review	To present an analysis of the public consultation responses and recommend the future shape of the library service	C	01 March 2017	16/02/17 EX		08/02/17	02/03/17 C				Mike Brook	Environment	Culture and Environment		No	No
C3215	SACRE Annual Report	To provide Members with the Annual Report of the Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education (SACRE).	C	01 March 2017			22/02/17	02/03/17 C				Jo Watt	Resources	Strategy & Performance, Economic Growth			
DOD3207	A339/Bear Lane, Newbury - Junction Improvements	To inform Members of proposed improvements to the A339/Bear Lane junction and gain approval to proceed to public consultation.	DOD	01 March 2017			tbc					Jon Winstanley	Environment	Highways and Transport		No	No
EX3196	Staffing implications associated with savings put forward to deliver the 2017/18 revenue budget: approval to pay redundancy payments (Strand 4) (Paragraph 1 - information relating to an individual) (Paragraph 2 - information identifying an individual)	To seek approval to make the redundancy payments associated with the required staffing implications associated with savings to deliver the 2017/18 revenue budget.	EX	01 March 2017	30/03/17 EX		22/03/17					Robert O'Reilly	Resources	Corporate Services and External Affairs		Yes	No
EX3111	Council Performance Report 2016/17: Q3 (Key Accountable Measures and Activities)	To present the basket of key accountable measures and activities for 2016/17.	EX	01 March 2017	30/03/17 EX		22/03/17					Catalin Bogos	Resources	Leader, Strategy & Performance, Economic Growth			
EX3218	Better Care Fund 2017/19	To seek agreement to Better Care Fund Plans for 2017/19	EX	01 March 2017	30/03/2017 EX		22/03/17					Tandra Forster	Communities	Adult Social Care			

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ID3133	West Berkshire Forward Plan - 27 April 2017 - 31 July 2017	To agree the Forward Plan for the next four months.	ID	01 March 2017		23/03/17	15/03/17					Moira Fraser	Resources	Leader, Strategy & Performance, Economic Growth			
GE3081	Internal Audit Plan 2017/18	To outline the proposed internal audit work programme for the next three years	GE	01 April 2017			12/04/17					Ian Priestley	Resources	Corporate Services and External Affairs			
GE3082	External Audit Plan 2017-18	To provide Members with a copy of the External Audit Plan for 2017-18.	GE	01 April 2017			12/04/17					Ian Priestley	Resources	Corporate Services and External Affairs			

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NOTICE OF A PRIVATE MEETING OF A DECISION-MAKING BODY¹

Notice of an imminent occasion when the public may be excluded from a meeting due to the likelihood that if members of the public were present during an item of business confidential or exempt information would be disclosed to them.

¹ In accordance with Regulation 5(7) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

1. At least 28 clear days before a private meeting² of a decision-making body, public notice³ must be given which must include a statement of reasons for the meeting to be held in private.
2. At least 5 clear days before a private meeting of a decision-making body, further public notice⁴ must be given which must include a statement of reasons for the meeting to be held in private, details of any representations received by the decision-making body about why the meeting should be open to the public and a statement of the Council's response to such representations.
3. Where the date by which a meeting must be held makes compliance with the above requirements impracticable, the meeting may only be held in private where the decision-making body has obtained agreement from the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Commission.

Date of Decision or period within which the decision is to be made	Ref No:	Matter in respect of which the decision is to be made	Short Description	Decision maker	Executive Member & Lead Officer	List of documents to be submitted to decision maker	Public or Private meeting. Statement of reasons if private.
19 January 2017	EX3169	Healthy Child Programme 0-19/25 Commissioning and Service Redesign	For Executive to approve delegate authority to the Head of Public Health and Wellbeing, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder, to award the integrated Healthy Child Programme (HCP) contract for 0-19/25 year olds (up to 25 years for young people with special educational needs and disabilities).	Executive	Councillor Graham Jones, Deputy Leader Lesley Wyman	Report and associated appendices	<i>(Paragraph 3 – information relating to financial/business affairs of particular person)</i> <i>(Paragraph 5 – information relating to legal privilege)</i> <i>(Paragraph 6 – information relating to proposed action to be taken by the Local Authority)</i>

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² A 'private meeting' means a meeting or part of a meeting of a decision making body which is open to the public except to the extent that the public are excluded due to the confidential or exempt business to be transacted.

³ In accordance with Regulation 5(2) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

⁴ In accordance with Regulation 5(4) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

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19 January 2017	EX3194	Staffing implications associated with savings put forward to deliver the 2017/18 revenue budget: approval to pay redundancy payments – Strand Two	To seek approval to make the redundancy payments associated with the required staffing implications associated with savings to deliver the 2017/18 revenue budget.	Executive	Councillor James Fredrickson, Corporate Services and External Affairs Robert O'Reilly	Report and associated appendices	(Paragraph 1 - information relating to an individual) (Paragraph 2 - information identifying an individual)

Andy Day
Head of Strategic Support
West Berkshire Council

Date: 30 November 2016

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