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Individual Decision

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

Thursday, 16th August, 2012

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Agenda Item 1.

Individual Executive Member Decision

Title of Report:	West Berkshire Council Forward Plan - September 2012 to December 2012
Report to be considered by:	Individual Executive Member Decision
Date on which Decision is to be taken:	16 August 2012
Forward Plan Ref:	ID2419
Purpose of Report: Recommended Action:	To advise Members and residents of items to be considered by West Berkshire Council over the next 4 months. That the Leader of the Council agrees and where appropriate amends the West Berkshire Council Forward Plan.
Reason for decision to be taken:	It is a statutory requirement that a Forward Plan be produced.
Other options considered:	Not applicable.
Key background documentation:	Forward Plan.

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Implications

Policy:	The Forward Plan details the Policies to be adopted by West Berkshire Council.						
Financial:	The Forward Plan has no financial implications.						
Personnel:	The Forward Plan has no personnel implications.						
Legal/Procurement:	The Forward Plan has no legal or procurement implications.						
Environmental:	The Forward Plan has no environmental implications.						
Property:	The Forward Plan has no property implications.						
Risk Management:	The Forward Plan has no risk management implications.						
Equalities:	The Forward Plan is a publication of the Council available for all residents at the Council Office in Market Street and on the Council's website.						

Consultation Responses

Members:

Leader of Council: Overview & Scrutiny Management	Councillor Graham Jones. Councillor Brian Bedwell.
Commission Chairman:	
Ward Members:	All Members.
Opposition Spokesperson:	Councillor Jeff Brooks.
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, Margaret Goldie, Heads of Service, Group Executives.
Trade Union:	Not sought.

Is this item subject to call-in.	Yes:	No: 🖂					
If not subject to call-in please put a cross in the appropriate box:							
The item is due to be referred to Council for final approval Delays in implementation could have serious financial implications for the Council Delays in implementation could compromise the Council's position							
Considered or reviewed by O&SMC or associated Task Groups within preceding six months Item is Urgent Key Decision							

Supporting Information

1. Background

- 1.1 The Forward Plan attempts to cover all decisions, not just those made by the Executive, which the Authority intends to make over the next four months. The Forward Plan, attached as Appendix A, also shows the decision path of each item so far including Council, Executive and Individual Decisions.
- 1.2 Also attached for information is Appendix B the Overview and Scrutiny Management Commission and Sub-Committees Work Programme.
- 1.3 Publication of the Forward Plan is a statutory requirement of the Local Authority.

Appendices

Appendix A – West Berkshire Council Forward Plan –September 2012 to December 2012

Appendix B – Overview and Scrutiny Management Commission and Sub-Committee Work Programmes.

West Berkshire Council Forward Plan



Reference	Decision and Purpose	Decision Body	Decision Path	Directorate	Contact	Lead Member (Porfolio Holder for)	Part II	Date Report Published	Consultee(s)	Notes	Decision Month
				SEPTEM	BER 201	2					
ID2432	Adoption of Parish Plans To adopt Parish Plans.	ID	01/09/12	Resources	Jo Naylor	Partnerships, Equality, The Visions, Communities		TBC	Local Members and Stakeholders		September 2012
ID2444	Approval of Village Design Statements To approve Village Design Statements.	ID	01/09/12	Environment	Paula Amorelli	Planning, Transport Policy, Property		ТВС	Local Members and Stakeholders		September 2012
ID2470(a)	A4 Bath Road, Padworth, proposed 50 mph speed limit To consider the recommendations that have been made in respect of this item following call-in.	ID	03/09/12	Environment	Andrew Garratt	Highways, Transport (Operational), ICT & Corporate Services, Customer Services		23/08/12	OSMC		September 2012
ID2533	Annual Report of the West Berkshire Fostering Service and West Berkshire Fostering Service Statement of Purpose To report on the work of the Fostering Team and to enable Members to scrutinise the operation of the Fostering Service.	ID	03/09/12 ID	Communities	June Kemp	Children and Young People, Youth Service, Education		23/08/12			September 2012

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EX2528	Community Care (Adult Social Care) Compliments and Complaints Report To outline the approach to handling complaints for Adult Social Care and to provide information about the number and type of complaints within Community Care (Adult Social Care). To highlight the number and nature of compliments received from April 2011 to March 2012. To illustrate how complaints and compliments are logged and monitored, and review the actions taken as a result of the lessons learned.	EX	06/09/12 EX	Communities	Mary Page	Community Care, Insurance		28/08/12			September 2012
EX2409	London Road Industrial Estate Redevelopment (Paragraph 3 - information relating to financial/business affairs of a particular person) To present the findings of the LRIE Stategic Feasibility Study to the Executive and approve the next steps in site redevelopment	EX	06/09/12 EX	Communities	Bill Bagnell	Partnerships, Equality, The Visions, Communities		28/08/12			September 2012
EX2514	County Archive To seek approval to continue with the current joint arrangement.	EX	06/09/12 EX	Environment	Amanda Loaring	Countryside, Environmental Protection, 'Cleaner and Greener', Culture		28/08/12			September 2012
EX2478	Financial Performance Report - Quarter 1 (2012/13) <i>To note the council's latest financial</i> <i>position.</i>	EX	06/09/12 EX	Resources	Joseph Holmes	Finance, Economic Development, Health & Safety, Pensions		28/08/12			September 2012

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EX2520	Insurance Tender (Paragraph 3 - information relating to the financial/business affairs of a particular person)	EX	06/09/12 EX	Resources	lan Priestley	Community Care, Insurance		28/08/12			September 2012
EX2535	Key Accountable Measures and Activities 2012/13. Update on progress: Q1 outturns To note progress against the Council's key accountable measures.	EX	06/09/12 EX	Resources	Jason Teal	Performance, Strategic Support, Emergency Planning, Community Safety		28/08/12			September 2012
GA2534	Bribery Act 2010 To outline a proposed Bribery Policy for the Council	GA	10/09/12 GA	Resources	lan Priestley	Performance, Strategic Support, Emergency Planning, Community Safety		31/08/12			September 2012
GA2524	Annual Governance Statement 2011/12 To review the Annual Governance Statement.	GA	10/09/12 GA	Resources	lan Priestley	Performance, Strategic Support, Emergency Planning, Community Safety		31/08/12			September 2012
GA2525	Heads of Service Assurance Statements To outline the areas of concern raised by Heads of Service in their Assurance Statements.	GA	10/09/12 GA	Resources	lan Priestley	Performance, Strategic Support, Emergency Planning, Community Safety		31/08/12			September 2012

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GA2539	Annual Governance Statement - Statement in Support by the Section 151 Officer To provide evidence and independent verification of governance matters which may impact on the Annual Governance Statement from the viewpoint of the S151 Officer	GA	10/09/12 GA	Resources	Andy Walker	N/a		31/08/12			September 2012
GA2540	Annual Governance Statement - Statement in Support by the Monitoring Officer To provide evidence and independent verification of governance matters which may impact on the Annual Governance Statement from the viewpoint of the Monitoring Officer	GA	10/09/12 GA	Resources	David Holling	N/a		31/08/12			September 2012
ID2420	West Berkshire Forward Plan - October 2012 to January 2013 To advise Members of items to be considered by West Berkshire Council over the next four months.	ID	13/09/12	Resources	Moira Fraser	Leader of Council		05/09/12	All Members, published on website for local residents	Not subject to call in.	September 2012
ID2518	Petition for removal of proposed parking charges at Burdwood Centre car park, Thatcham To respond to a petition that has been submitted to the Council.	ID	26/09/12 ID	Environment	Mark Cole	Highways, Transport (Operational), ICT & Corporate Services, Customer Services		18/09/12	Local Stakeholders		September 2012
C2459	Changes to the Constitution, Parts 9 and 10 To consider changes to the Financial Rules of procedure and Protocols in light of legislative changes.	С	27/09/12 C 10/09/12 GA	Resources	Joseph Holmes	Leader of Council		31/08/12			September 2012

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C2501	Proposed Member Development Programme for 2012 to 2015 To ask Council to agree the Member Development Programme for 2012/13	С	27/09/12 C	Resources	Jude Thomas	Leader of Council		19/09/12	Members		September 2012
C2522	Pre Planning Application Advice Fees To seek Council authority to charge for pre planning application advice and for Council to delegate authority to amend the charging scheme to the Head of Planning and Countryside	С	27/09/12 C	Environment	Gary Rayner	Planning, Transport Policy, Property		19/09/12	Development Industry Panel (Planning Service Customer Panel) will be consulted on 29th June 2012		September 2012
C2541	Appointment of Independent Persons To appoint the Council's Independent Persons as required by the Localism Act 2011.	С	27/09/11 C	Resources	David Holling	Leader of the Council		19/09/12			September 2012
				OCTOB	ER 2012						
ID2433	Adoption of Parish Plans To adopt Parish Plans.	ID	01/10/12	Resources	Jo Naylor	Partnerships, Equality, The Visions, Communities		ТВС	Local Members and Stakeholders		October 2012
ID2445	Approval of Village Design Statements To approve Village Design Statements.	ID	01/10/12	Environment	Paula Amorelli	Planning, Transport Policy, Property		TBC	Local Members and Stakeholders		October 2012
ID2421	West Berkshire Forward Plan - November 2012 to February 2013 To advise Members of items to be considered by West Berkshire Council over the next four months.	ID	18/10/12	Resources	Moira Fraser	Leader of Council		10/10/12	All Members, published on website for local residents	Not subject to call in.	October 2012

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ID2521	A343 Andover Road, Newbury - Relocation of Pedestrian Crossing To inform the Executive Member for Highways and Transport of the results of the consultation of a proposal to relocate a pedestrian crossing and allow a decision to be made as to whether to proceed with the proposal.	ID	22/10/12	Environment	Neil Stacey	Highways, Transport (Operational), ICT & Corporate Services, Customer Services		12/10/12			October 2012
EX2350	Proposal for Redevelopment of Taceham House (Paragraph 3 - information relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person) To consider the options for Taceham House and agree best course of action.	EX	18/10/12 EX	Communities	Mel Brain	Strategy, Council Plan, Housing	Yes	09/10/12			October 2012
EX2513	Director of Public Health (needs a different title - AD to confirm) To agree a model for public health across the six Berkshire Unitaries.	EX	18/10/12 EX	Resources	Andy Day	Leader of the Council		09/10/12			October 2012
EX2515	Home Care Reablement Reconfiguration	EX	18/10/12 EX	Communities	Stephen Stace	Community Care, Insurance		09/10/12			October 2012
EX2492	Localising Support for Council Tax in England To make a decision on the scheme to be adopted by West Berkshire Council as a replacement for Council Tax benefit	EX	18/10/12 EX	Resources	Bill Blackett	Finance, Economic Development, Health & Safety, Pensions		09/10/12	Formal consultation with Taxpayers and major precepting authorities is a requirement of the legislaation introducing Localisation of Council Tax support		October 2012

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EX2500	Residential and Nursing Placement Policy To seek approval of the policy post consultation.	EX	18/10/12 EX	Communities	Tandra Forster	Community Care, Insurance		09/10/12	wider consulation with stakeholders		October 2012
EX2527	School Funding Reform April 2013 To agree the reqjuired new funding formula for schools in West Berkshire	EX	18/10/12 EX	Resources	Claire White	Finance, Economic Development, Health & Safety, Pensions		09/10/12	All maintained and Academy Schools, Schools Forum		October 2012
				NOVEM	BER 201	2					
ID2434	Adoption of Parish Plans To adopt Parish Plans.	ID	01/11/12	Resources	Jo Naylor	Partnerships, Equality, The Visions, Communities		ТВС	Local Members and Stakeholders		November 2012
ID2446	Approval of Village Design Statements To approve Village Design Statements.	ID	01/11/12	Environment	Paula Amorelli	Planning, Transport Policy, Property		ТВС	Local Members and Stakeholders		November 2012
ID2422	West Berkshire Forward Plan - December 2012 to March 2013 To advise Members of items to be considered by West Berkshire Council over the next four months.	ID	15/11/12	Resources	Moira Fraser	Leader of Council		07/11/12	All Members, published on website for local residents	Not subject to call in.	November 2012
EX2491	Schools and Early Years Settings - Place Strategy 2013-2018. To determine a strategy for managing school organisation and ensure that there are sufficient school places to meet overall demand; there are sufficient school places in the right locations to meet demand; the provision of school places are managed in a cost effective manner.	EX	29/11/12 EX	Communities	Caroline Corcoran	Children & Young People, Youth Service, Education		20/11/12	Schools, relevant Council Officers		November 2012

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EX2530	Financial Performance Report Q2 To inform Members of the latest financial performance of the Council.	EX	29/11/12 EX	Resources	Joseph Holmes	Finance, Economic Development, Health & Safety, Pensions		20/11/12			November 2012
				DECEME	BER 201	2					
ID2435	Adoption of Parish Plans To adopt Parish Plans.	ID	01/12/12	Resources	Jo Naylor	Partnerships, Equality, The Visions, Communities		TBC	Local Members and Stakeholders		December 2012
ID2447	Approval of Village Design Statements To approve Village Design Statements.	ID	01/12/12	Environment	Paula Amorelli	Planning, Transport Policy, Property		ТВС	Local Members and Stakeholders		December 2012
ID2423	West Berkshire Forward Plan - January 2013 to April 2013 To advise Members of items to be considered by West Berkshire Council over the next four months.	ID	13/12/12	Resources	Moira Fraser (2045)	Leader of Council		05/12/12	All Members, published on website for local residents	Not subject to call in.	December 2012
C2507	2013/14 West Berkshire Council Timetable of Public Meetings To agree the timetable of public meetings for the year 2013/14.	С	13/12/12 C	Resources	Moira Fraser	Leader of Council					December 2012

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Reference	Subject/purpose	Methodology	Expected outcome	Review Body	Dates	Lead Officer(s)/ Service Area	Portfolio Holder(s)	Status: In Progress Completed	Comments
OSMC/11/104	Anti-Child Poverty Strategy	To monitor the strategy	Monitoring item	HSP	Start: On-going End: April 2012	Julia Waldman – 2815 Children and Young People	Cllr Irene Neill	In Progress	To report back
OSMC/11/105		To survey and hold focus groups detailing information		HSP	Start: July 2011 End: 2012	LINk, Age UK	Cllr Joe Mooney	In Progress	Consultation / survey to commence in July 2012. Update from LINks.
OSMC/11/106		To update members on Health and Wellbeing Board	Monitoring item	HSP	Ongoing	June Graves	Cllr Joe Mooney	In Progress	for discussion on
OSMC/11/107	Update on the Health Service in West Berkshire	To update members on the changes to Health Service in West Berkshire	Monitoring item	HSP	Ongoing	Bev Searle - Director Joint Partnerships and Commissioning	Cllr Joe Mooney	In Progress	
OSMC/11/119		In meeting review		HSP	Start: Jan 2012 End: April 2012	Jan Evans – 2736 Adult Social Care	Councillor Joe Mooney	In Progress	Awaiting results
OSMC/12/122	Home Care To understand and critically appraise the systems and process in place for the provision of Home Care	TBD		HSP	Start: TBD End: TBD	Jan Evans – 2736 Adult Social Care	Councillor Joe Mooney	To be scheduled	Item incoroprated at OSMC meeting of 21/02/12. Scope and ToR to be provided at the meeting of 17/04/12
OSMC/12/124	The effect of health service reorganisation on local provision and private finance initiatives (PFI).			HSP	Start: TBD End: TBD				
OSMC/09/02	To monitor quarterly the performance levels across the Council and to consider, where appropriate, any remedial action.	In meeting review with information supplied by, and questioning of, lead officers.	Monitoring item	OSMC	Start: each Q End: OSMC 01/11/11	Jason Teal – 2102 Policy & Communication	Councillor Anthony Stansfeld	In Progress	Quarterly item.
OSMC/11/103	Olympics and Diamond Jubilee Events 2012. To review and monitor events in West Berkshire	In meeting review.		OSMC	Update 1: 2/12 Update 2: 5/12	Chris Jones 2558 Culture & Youth	Carol Jackson- Doerge	In Progress	Updates following briefing in November 2011. Further update to be provided in May 2012.
OSMC/11/120	repair of pot holes	Task group review with information supplied by, and questioning of, lead officers and external partners.		OSMC	Feb-12	Mark Edwards – 2208 Highways & Transport	Councillor David Betts	In Progress	Item to begin following the completion of Item 78, Councillors Brian Bedwell, Emma Webster, Keith Woodhams participating. First meeting held on 29/03/12.

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OSMC/11/129	Housing Allocations policy To contribute to the development of a new policy	In meeting policy development supported by task group and individual Member activity.		OSMC	Feb-12	Mel Brain - 2403 Social Care Commissioning and Housing	Councillor Alan Law	In Progress	Added to work programme at the 10 January 2012 meeting, following a suggestion by Corporate Board
OSMC/12/123	Domestic Abuse To understand and critically appraise the systems and process in place for the mangement of domestic abuse in the District	TBD		OSMC	Start: TBD End: TBD	Davy Pearson, Robin Rickard (TBC)	Councillor Anthony Stansfeld	To be scheduled	Item incoroprated at OSMC meeting of 21/02/12. Scope and ToR to be provided at the meeting of 17/04/12
OSMC/12/128	Youth Justice To review the outcomes being achieved following the changes made to police interventions with young people and the resultant drop in people entering the youth justice system.	In meeting review with information supplied by, and questioning of, lead officers.		OSMC	Start: Aug 2012 End: Aug 2012	Susan Powell, Robin Rickard	Councillor Anthony Stansfeld		Item raised in response to performance reported at Q2 2011/12. See agenda and minutes of 21/02/12. To be heard at OSMC in September 12
OSMC/12/130	Consultation The effectiveness of consultation undertaken by the Council	Task group review with information supplied by, and questioning of, lead officers and external partners.		OSMC	Start: TBD End: TBD	Jason Teal – 2102 Policy & Communication	Councillor Anthony Stansfeld	To be scheduled	item incorporated at OSMC meeting of 2012-04-17
OSMC/12/131	Youth Clubs			OSMC	Start: TBD		Councillor Irene		item incorporated at OSMC meeting of
OSMC/09/57	Revenue and capital budget reports To receive the latest period revenue and capital budget reports To consider any areas of concern.	Information supplied by, and questioning of, lead officer via in meeting review	Monitoring item	RMWG	End: TBD Start: 13/09/10 End: Latest report to each meeting	Andy Walker – 2433 Finance	Neill Councillor Keith Chopping	scheduled In Progress	29/05/12. for discussion on 26/06/12 May lead to areas for in depth review.
OSMC/09/63	Establishment Reports To receive the latest report on the changes to the Council's establishment.	Information supplied by, and questioning of, lead officer via in meeting review	Monitoring item	RMWG	Start: 13/09/10 End: Quarters 2 & 4	Robert O'Reilly – 2358 Human Resources	Councillor Anthony Stansfeld	In Progress	May lead to areas for in depth review.
OSMC/11/110	Energy Saving To review the Council's policies and procedures for Energy Saving.	In a meeting review the Council's procedures to Energy Saving		RMWG	Start: April 2012 End: April 2012	Adrian Slaughter	Councillor Hilary Cole	Complete	Review to be undertaken in April 2014.

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OSMC/11/111	Risk Register To scrutinise individual items on the Risk Register on an annual basis.	In meeting review and scrutinise individual items on Risk Register.	Monitoring item	RMWG	Ongoing	lan Priestley	Councillor David Betts	In Progress	Next request Sept 2012
OSMC/11/112	Medium Term Financial Strategy To review the role and format of the MTFS	In meeting review of the MTFS		RMWG	Start: Oct 2012 End: Oct 2012	Andy Walker	Councillor Keith Chopping	In Progress	Requested by RMWG on 26 July 2011
OSMC/11/113	Procedures for Blue Badge Holder To review the operation of the new procedures, criteria and rules of use for Blue Badge holders following the introduction of them in January 2012	In meeting review.		RMWG	Start: Jan 2013 End: Jan 2013	Mark Edwards	Councillor David Betts	In Progress	Requested by RMWG on 26 July 2011
OSMC/12/121	Asset Management To understand and critically appraise the systems and process in place for the management of the Council's			RMWG	Start: July 2012 End: July 2012	John Ashworth	Councillor David Betts	To be scheduled	Item incorporated at OSMC meeting of 2012-02-21

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 RMWG
 Resource Management Working Group

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