

FORWARD PLAN -
1 AUGUST 2012 TO 30 NOVEMBER 2012

This Plan sets out the key decisions which the Executive expect to take over the next four months. The Plan is rolled forward every month and is published by the 15th of each month. It will next be published in mid December and will then contain all key decisions expected to be taken between 1st January 2011 and 30th April 2011. Key decisions are decisions which are likely:

- (a) to result in the Council incurring expenditure or making savings which are significant having regard to the budget for the service concerned, or
- (b) to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards of the Borough.

Other Decisions

Although it is not a statutory requirement, this Forward Plan also contains details of other matters likely to be considered by the Council's Cabinet or Full Council which are not 'key decisions'.

Reports relevant to key decisions, and any listed background documents, may be viewed at the Civic Offices, Merrial Street, Newcastle-under-Lyme, Staffs, ST5 2AG six days before the decision is to be made. Copies of, or extracts from, these documents may be obtained on the payment of a reasonable fee from the following address:

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Civic Offices,
Merrial Street,
Newcastle-under-Lyme,
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ST5 2AG.

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Unless otherwise stated, representations in respect of any proposed decision may be made in writing to the Member Services Manager at the Civic Offices, Merrial Street, Newcastle-under-Lyme, Staffordshire, ST5 2AG not later than two working days prior to the meeting at which the decision will be taken.

A decision notice for each key decision is published within 6 days of it having been made. This is open for public inspection on the Council's website and at the Civic Offices.

The law and the Council's constitution provides for urgent key decisions to be made. A decision notice will be published for these in exactly the same way.

**FORWARD PLAN FOR THE PERIOD 1 AUGUST 2012
TO 30 NOVEMBER 2012**

TITLE OF REPORT:
BATESWOOD LOCAL NATURE RESERVE - OUTCOME OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Environment and Recycling
Brief description of report	Report on outcome of public consultation on community requests for angling and additional bridle route provision in Bateswood Local Nature Reserve
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	19 Apr 2012
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Active and Cohesive Communities
Wards affected	Halmer End
Proposed consultation	Consultees listed in the report
Last date for representations	Representations on public agenda items can be made up to one working day before the meeting.
Background documents	As per agenda. Consultation plan and analysis of results
Officer contact	Roger Tait, Head of Operations
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	No exemptions

TITLE OF REPORT:

REVIEW OF COMMUNITY CENTRE PROVISION

Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder- Stronger and Active Neighbourhoods
Brief description of report	This second report follows the earlier strategic review to take forward the redevelopment and reprovision of community centres across the Borough.
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	Invest to Save
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	19 Sep 2012
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Active and Cohesive Communities
Wards affected	All Wards
Proposed consultation	
Last date for representations	Representations can be made up to one working day before the meeting.
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	Rob Foster, Head of Leisure and Cultural Services
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	

TITLE OF REPORT:

STRONGER AND SAFER STRATEGY 2012-2017

Portfolio	Councillor John Williams
Brief description of report	The Stronger and Safer Strategy for Newcastle under Lyme Borough Council sets out the work which is planned around strengthening communities and also dealing with aspects of criminal activity. The Strategy has been in development for a number of months since the beginning of 2012 and has been out for consultation. This is for Cabinet to see the latest version of the Strategy in order for it to go 'live'.
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	19 Sep 2012
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Cleaner Greener and Safer Communities
Wards affected	All Wards
Proposed consultation	Consultation has taken place with the community as a whole and also the Strategy has been through the Scrutiny process on a number of occasions.
Last date for representations	
Background documents	Safer Stronger and Safer Strategy 2012-2017
Officer contact	Mark Bailey, Head of Business Improvement and Partnerships
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	

TITLE OF REPORT:

DEVELOPING WARMZONE TO MAXIMISE FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES

Portfolio	Councillor Mrs Ann Beech
Brief description of report	The Government is changing the way in which assistance is given to people to improve the energy efficiency of their home. In October the national Green Deal will be launched which is intended to assist home owners to improve their home through financial assistance in the form of a loan or grant. To complement Green Deal finance additional (ECO) grant funding can be targeted on five designated low income areas as well as low income households in rural settlements of fewer than 10,000 inhabitants. The report outlines the types of assistance that are planned and the mechanisms that the Council may consider to support local delivery
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	It is considered that funding will not exceed £60,000 which would fund assessors and contribute towards the management and running costs . It may then be appropriate for the Council to consider the level of funding and make an allocation from the 2013/14 Housing Capital Programme, which is normally established in January prior to the new financial year. Based on previous warm zone programme each £1 invested by the council will lever in at least £5. Futhermore it is expected that local jobs will be supported this and savings in fuel costs by assisted households will boost the local economy.
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	19 Sep 2012
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Cleaner Greener and Safer Communties
Wards affected	All Wards
Proposed consultation	Cleaner Greener and Safer Communitis Overview and Scrutiny Committee at it meeting 5th September 2012 recommended that the Development of the North Staffordshire Warm Zone maximise the national funding to be available in the Green Deal and Energy Company Obligation programmes.
Last date for representations	

Background documents	Developing WarmZone to maximise future opportunities
Officer contact	Mike O'Connor
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A <i>(if applicable)</i>	

**TITLE OF REPORT:
REPLACEMENT OF CORPORATE ICT DATA STORAGE FACILITIES**

Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Communications, Transformation and Partnerships
Brief description of report	The council has in place a number of sophisticated networked data storage devices (which together are known as SAN) used to store all user data and information within the council. The devices within the council's current Storage Area Network (SAN) in some cases are approaching their 10th year of service and in December 2012 four will reach the end of their extended operating life and will no longer be supported or maintained by the supplier. In addition, the capacity of the current SAN is reaching a critical level.
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	Spend is approx £100,000 to be met from ICT Development Fund
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	17 Oct 2012
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Transformation and Resources
Wards affected	All Wards
Proposed consultation	
Last date for representations	
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	Jeanette Hilton, Head of Customer and ICT Services
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	

TITLE OF REPORT:

NEWCASTLE BOROUGH COUNCIL PLAN 2013/14-2015/16

Portfolio	Councillor Gareth Snell
Brief description of report	Report to present the latest version of the Council's Council Plan (formerly Corporate Plan). The Plan contains the main issues facing the Council and sets out the key approaches to dealing with these issues by the organisation. The Plan also outlines the performance measures by which the work done will be monitored.
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	19 Sep 2012
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Transformation and Resources
Wards affected	All Wards
Proposed consultation	There will be a consultation process which will support the work on the Plan during the latter part of 2012.
Last date for representations	
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	Mark Bailey, Head of Business Improvement and Partnerships
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	

TITLE OF REPORT:

STAFFORDSHIRE STRATEGIC PROPERTY REVIEW

Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Finance and Budget Management, Cabinet Portfolio Holder- Regeneration, Planning and Town Centres
Brief description of report	To review the Staffordshire Strategic Property Review Report and consider the implications for the Borough Council and local stakeholders.
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	19 Sep 2012
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Economic Development and Enterprise
Wards affected	All Wards
Proposed consultation	
Last date for representations	
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	

TITLE OF REPORT:

DELIVERY OF HOME IMPROVEMENT AGENCY SERVICES

Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder- Regeneration, Planning and Town Centres
Brief description of report	To outline the options for the delivery of the Home Improvement Agency Services and to consider the most appropriate mechanism for delivery including options for competitive tendering.
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	Undertaking effective procurement will require officers to dedicate significant time to the process. It is acknowledged that the current investment in the services is not excessive. It is therefore key that the service specification is developed to clearly identify an appropriate level of service.
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	20 Jun 2012
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Economic Development and Enterprise
Wards affected	All Wards
Proposed consultation	Views will be sought from Foundations; the national agency for Home Improvement Agencies, local providers and other agencies that provide complementary services.
Last date for representations	Representations on public agenda items can be made up to one working day before the meeting.
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	Jo Basnett, Housing Strategy Manager
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	

TITLE OF REPORT:

PROPOSALS FOR THE REDEVELOPMENT AND DISPOSAL OF THE FORMER KNUTTON RECREATION CENTRE

Portfolio	Councillor Eddie Boden
Brief description of report	<p>The report will seek Members' views on the way forward for the redevelopment of the Knutton Recreation Centre and adjoining land.</p> <p>In June 2011 and subsequently in October 2011, following Scrutiny review, the Cabinet approved the disposal of the Knutton Recreation Centre as part of the planned programme to develop the Jubilee 2 new Health and Wellbeing Centre. At this time it was agreed that the existing '3G' football pitch should be retained and that the bowling green should be retained or relocated.</p> <p>It is appropriate that Members review the development and investment options for sites in Borough and County Council ownership in the centre of Knutton Village with a view to its regeneration, the options for public engagement and the potential for asset realisation.</p>
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	The report will consider the principle objectives of the possible schemes. Clearly the financial implications of the preferred scheme will need to be considered as part of the future agreement to proceed.
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	18 Jul 2012
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Economic Development and Enterprise
Wards affected	Knutton and Silverdale
Proposed consultation	The report will highlight the options to investigate the prospects of taking forward the proposals supported by a public consultation process led by an external agency.
Last date for representations	Representations on public agenda items can be made up to one working day before the meeting.
Background documents	None.

Officer contact	Simon Smith, Regeneration and Economic Development Manager
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (if applicable)	

TITLE OF REPORT:

PROPOSED DECLARATION OF BATHPOOL PARK AS A LOCAL NATURE RESERVE

Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Environment and Recycling
Brief description of report	To seek to secure Bathpool Park for nature conservation and an informal community education and a recreation resource by declaring it a Local Nature Reserve.
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	18 Jul 2012
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Cleaner Greener and Safer Communities
Wards affected	Ravenscliffe; Talke; Butt Lane
Proposed consultation	
Last date for representations	
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	Becky Allen
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	

TITLE OF REPORT:

PROPOSED REFURBISHMENT AND RE-USE OF THE FORMER ST GILES AND ST GEORGES SCHOOL, NEWCASTLE TOWN CENTRE.

Portfolio	Councillor Eddie Boden, Councillor Gareth Snell, Councillor Mike Stubbs
Brief description of report	
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	Not before 18th Jul 2012
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Economic Development and Enterprise
Wards affected	Town
Proposed consultation	
Last date for representations	
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	Simon Smith, Regeneration and Economic Development Manager
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	

TITLE OF REPORT:

**BEDDING PLANT SUPPLY AND WEED CONTROL CONTRACT
PROCUREMENT**

Portfolio	Councillor Mrs Ann Beech
Brief description of report	The procurement of contracts for the supply of Bedding Plants and hanging baskets, and for the Weed Control applications.
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	19 Sep 2012
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Cleaner Greener and Safer Communities
Wards affected	All Wards
Proposed consultation	
Last date for representations	
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	Roger Tait, Head of Operations
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	

TITLE OF REPORT:
DISCRETIONARY RATE RELIEF

Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Communications, Transformation and Partnerships
Brief description of report	Consider applications for discretionary rate relief from charities, not for profit organisations, Community Amateur Sports Clubs and Community Interest Companies.
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	19 Sep 2012
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	
Wards affected	All Wards
Proposed consultation	
Last date for representations	
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	Dave Baker, Head of Revenues and Benefits
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	

TITLE OF REPORT:

DRAFT HEALTH AND WELLBEING STRATEGY

Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder- Stronger and Active Neighbourhoods
Brief description of report	To develop the Newcastle under Lyme Health and Wellbeing Strategy.
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	19 Sep 2012
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Active and Cohesive Communities
Wards affected	All Wards
Proposed consultation	Third Sector and Partner Agencies.
Last date for representations	Representations on public agenda items can be made up to one working day before the meeting.
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	Rob Foster, Head of Leisure and Cultural Services
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	

TITLE OF REPORT:

KIDSGROVE TOWN CENTRE PARTNERSHIP

Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder- Regeneration, Planning and Town Centres
Brief description of report	To consider the option to establish a Kidsgrove Town Centre Partnership.
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	Funding has been committed to the Newcastle Town Centre for the establishment of a Town Centre Manager and officer time has been allocated to Newcastle Town Centre Partnership. Subject to Cabinet and partner agency views it may be appropriate to direct some of this resource to supporting Kidsgrove.
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	19 Sep 2012
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Economic Development and Enterprise
Wards affected	Kidsgrove
Proposed consultation	Local Businesses are encouraged to give their views as part of the development of options.
Last date for representations	Representations can be made up to one working day prior to the Cabinet meeting
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	Jo Basnett, Housing Strategy Manager
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	N/A

TITLE OF REPORT:

PROCUREMENT OF THE REPORTER

Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Communications, Transformation and Partnerships
Brief description of report	To outline the results of a procurement process for the print and distribution of the Council's newspaper, the Reporter and to seek a decision from Cabinet on whether to proceed with the appointment of print and distribution contractors
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	Not known until outcome of the procurement process is undertaken. The council currently has a budget for the print and distribution of the Reporter
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	19 Sep 2012
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Transformation and Resources
Wards affected	All Wards
Proposed consultation	N/A
Last date for representations	Representations on public agenda items can be made up to one working day before the meeting
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	Phil Jones
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	N/A

TITLE OF REPORT:
UNIVERSAL CREDIT

Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Communications, Transformation and Partnerships
Brief description of report	The welfare reform agenda introductions Universal Credit with effect from October 2013. This phased change in welfare benefits will see new relationships between claimants, local authorities and partner organisations.
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	19 Sep 2012
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	
Wards affected	All Wards
Proposed consultation	
Last date for representations	
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	Dave Baker, Head of Revenues and Benefits
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	

TITLE OF REPORT:
BUSINESS RATES POOLING

Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Finance and Budget Management
Brief description of report	To review the possibility of the Council entering into a county wide business rates pool.
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	17 Oct 2012
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Transformation and Resources
Wards affected	All Wards
Proposed consultation	
Last date for representations	Representations on public agenda items can be made up to one working day before the meeting
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	Dave Roberts, Head of Finance
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	

TITLE OF REPORT:

COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY - DRAFT CHARGING SCHEME

Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder- Regeneration, Planning and Town Centres
Brief description of report	To present a draft charging scheme in respect of the Community Infrastructure Levy for public consultation.
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	17 Oct 2012
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Economic Development and Enterprise
Wards affected	All Wards
Proposed consultation	
Last date for representations	Representations on public agenda items can be made up to one working day before the meeting.
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	Helen Beech, Planning Policy Manager
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	

TITLE OF REPORT:
MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY

Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Finance and Budget Management
Brief description of report	Sets out the Medium Term Financial Strategy for 2013/14 and the following 4 years. Indicated the projected budgets for these years and the shortfall compared to available resources.
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	Budget requirement
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	17 Oct 2012
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Transformation and Resources
Wards affected	All Wards
Proposed consultation	Proposed budget consultation
Last date for representations	Representations on public agenda items can be made up to one working day before the meeting.
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	Craig Turner, Principal Accountant
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	

TITLE OF REPORT:
EMPTY HOMES STRATEGY

Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder- Regeneration, Planning and Town Centres
Brief description of report	The current empty homes strategy covers the period 2008 to 2012; therefore it is appropriate that the Cabinet considers a new strategy.
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	12 Dec 2012
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Economic Development and Enterprise
Wards affected	All Wards
Proposed consultation	The draft strategy will be subject to open consultation for 12 weeks. It will be published on the Council's website and direct comments will be sought from partner agencies and discussed at relevant housing forums.
Last date for representations	Representations on public agenda items can be made up to one working day before the meeting.
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	Jo Basnett, Housing Strategy Manager
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	

TITLE OF REPORT:
CALCULATION OF COUNCIL TAX BASE

Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Communications, Transformation and Partnerships
Brief description of report	Annual calculation of the number of band D equivalent properties for the borough and each individual parish area. Council Tax Base needs to be set by 31 January for the following financial year.
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	16 Jan 2013
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	All Relevant O&S Committee
Wards affected	All Wards
Proposed consultation	
Last date for representations	
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	Dave Baker, Head of Revenues and Benefits
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	

TITLE OF REPORT:

CAPITAL STRATEGY 2013/14

Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Finance and Budget Management
Brief description of report	Approval of how the Council deploys its capital resources in order to assist it to achieve its corporate and service objectives.
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	16 Jan 2013
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Transformation and Resources
Wards affected	All Wards
Proposed consultation	
Last date for representations	Representations on public agenda items can be made up to one working day before the meeting.
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	Dave Roberts, Head of Finance
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	

TITLE OF REPORT:

LOCALISED COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT

Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Communications, Transformation and Partnerships
Brief description of report	Approve scheme of Council Tax Support, which replaces Council Tax Benefit from 1 April 2013. Schemes need to be approved and in place by the 31 January each year for the following financial year.
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	16 Jan 2013
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	
Wards affected	All Wards
Proposed consultation	
Last date for representations	
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	Dave Baker, Head of Revenues and Benefits
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	

TITLE OF REPORT:

LOCALISED COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT - CONSULTATION

Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Communications, Transformation and Partnerships
Brief description of report	A Localised Council Tax Support scheme needs to be approved by the 31st January 2013. Prior to adoption, the Council are required to consult with interested parties and organisations over its proposed scheme.
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	19 Sep 2012
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Transformation and Resources
Wards affected	All Wards
Proposed consultation	
Last date for representations	
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	Dave Baker, Head of Revenues and Benefits
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	

TITLE OF REPORT:
REVENUE AND CAPITAL BUDGETS 2013/14

Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Finance and Budget Management
Brief description of report	To review progress on the completion of the revenue and capital budgets for 2013/14 and to enable a robust and affordable budget for 2013/14 to be approved.
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	Budget required
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	16 Jan 2013
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Transformation and Resources
Wards affected	All Wards
Proposed consultation	Budget consultation process
Last date for representations	Representations on public agenda items can be made up to one working day before the meeting.
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	Dave Roberts, Head of Finance
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	

TITLE OF REPORT:
SCALE OF FEES AND CHARGES 2013/14

Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Finance and Budget Management
Brief description of report	Review of the fees and charges which the Council makes in order to keep them in line with the cost of service provision and to establish the amounts to be included in the 2013/14 budget.
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	16 Jan 2013
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Transformation and Resources
Wards affected	All Wards
Proposed consultation	
Last date for representations	Representations on public agenda items can be made up to one working day before the meeting.
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	Dave Roberts, Head of Finance
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	

TITLE OF REPORT:
TECHNICAL REFORMS TO COUNCIL TAX

Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Communications, Transformation and Partnerships
Brief description of report	New discretionary powers with regard to the administration of Council Tax.
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	16 Jan 2013
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	
Wards affected	All Wards
Proposed consultation	
Last date for representations	
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	Dave Baker, Head of Revenues and Benefits
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	

TITLE OF REPORT:

TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2013/14 TO 2017/18

Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Finance and Budget Management
Brief description of report	To approve the strategy to be followed by the Council in carrying out its treasury management activity in the forthcoming financial year, 2013/14.
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	6 Feb 2013
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Transformation and Resources
Wards affected	All Wards
Proposed consultation	
Last date for representations	Representations on public agenda items can be made up to one working day before the meeting.
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	Dave Roberts, Head of Finance
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	

**TITLE OF REPORT:
SITE ALLOCATIONS AND POLICIES DEVELOPMENT PLAN
DOCUMENT (DPD) DRAFT OPTIONS.**

Portfolio	Cabinet Portfolio Holder- Regeneration, Planning and Town Centres
Brief description of report	To seek approval to engage the public in the second stage of public consultation on the Site Allocations and Policies DPD. Specific site options will be proposed in respect of the location of housing, retail, leisure facilities and employment.
Spend required/saving generated (<i>if applicable</i>)	
Decision maker	Cabinet
Earliest date of decision	6 Mar 2013
Likely Date of Decision	
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Economic Development and Enterprise
Wards affected	All Wards
Proposed consultation	The consultation methods are currently the subject a public consultation exercise. Depending on the outcome, this stage of preparation of the DPD could potentially involve a minimum six week period of public consultation.
Last date for representations	Representations on public agenda items can be made up to one working day before the meeting.
Background documents	None.
Officer contact	Helen Beech, Planning Policy Manager
Reasons for exemptions under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A (<i>if applicable</i>)	

THE CABINET:	OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY:
<p>Councillor Gareth Snell - Leader Portfolio: Communications, Transformation and Partnerships</p>	<p>Co-ordinating Overview and Scrutiny Committee: Chair: Cllr Elizabeth Shenton Vice Chair: Cllr Hilda Johnson</p>
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