

Watford Borough Council

Executive Decision Progress Report

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Decision	Department	Decision maker	Date Key Decision to be taken (as shown on the Notice of Executive Decisions)	Status
Agree to the set up of a Hertfordshire Police and Crime Panel	Legal and Property	Cabinet	June 2012	Key decision Agreed by Cabinet on 18 June 2012 Not called in
Adoption of the Framework and 5-year action plan for allotments across the Borough	Community Services	Cabinet	June 2012	Key decision Originally this decision was due to be considered by Cabinet at its meeting in November 2011. Since then it has been deferred on several occasions. Agreed by Cabinet on 18 June 2012 Not called in
Watford Health Campus Programme Update and proposed site assembly development	Corporate Management	Cabinet	June 2012	Key decision Agreed by Cabinet on 18 June 2012 Not called in
Review the outcome of the Sports Facilities Study and agree consultation and feasibility proposals to support the development of a Sports Facilities Strategy (Parts A and B)	Community Services	Cabinet	June 2012	Key decision Agreed by Cabinet on 18 June 2012 Not called in

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Charter Place re-development (Part B)	Legal and Property	Cabinet	June 2012	Key decision Agreed by Cabinet on 18 June 2012 Not called in
Service specification, performance standards and evaluation criteria for the procurement of Parks and Open Spaces, Waste and Recycling and Street Cleansing	Corporate Management	Cabinet	July 2012	Key decision Agreed by Cabinet on 9 July 2012 Not called in
Community Right to Challenge under the Localism Act 2011	Legal and Property	Cabinet	Not applicable	Non-key decision Agreed by Cabinet on 9 July 2012 Not called in
Relocation of the Town Centre CCTV Control Room	Legal and Property	Cabinet	July 2012	Key decision Considered at Cabinet on 9 July 2012. Recommendation to Council, decision taken on 18 July 2012.

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Property review decision (Part B)	Legal and Property	Portfolio Holder (Planning and Legal and Property)	July 2012	Key decision Originally this decision was due to be taken in June 2012 but was deferred. Delegated decision taken on 9 July 2012 Not called in
Application to the Secretary of State to remove the allotment status from the Willow Lane site.	Legal and Property	Portfolio Holder (Planning and Legal and Property)	July 2012	Key decision Delegated decision taken on 9 July 2012 Not called in
Introduction of further cycling stands in Watford	Planning	Portfolio Holder (Planning and Legal and Property)	July 2012	Key decision Delegated decision taken on 16 July 2012 Not called in
Water Fountain Area, opposite the Town Hall steps	Planning	Portfolio Holder (Planning and Legal and Property)	July 2012	Non key decision Delegated decision taken on 16 July 2012 Not called in
Willow Lane Allotments (Section 106)	Legal and Property	Portfolio Holder (Mayor)	July 2012	Key decision Delegated decision taken on 16 July 2012 Not called in

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Agree the draft local Council Tax benefit scheme for consultation	Revenues and Benefits	Portfolio Holder (Mayor)	July 2012	Key decision Delegated decision taken on 23 July 2012 Not subject to call-in. The final scheme will be presented to Council for approval.
Property Review (not for publication – Paragraph 3 Schedule 12A)	Legal and Property	Portfolio Holder (Planning and Legal and Property)	September 2012 – then withdrawn	Key decision Originally due to be taken by the end of August 2012 then moved to September 2012. It has now been decided that this decision is not to be taken.
Decision to out source the ICT Shared Service and the supplier recommended as the Preferred Bidder	Information Technology	Cabinet	September 2012 – then withdrawn	New Key decision This decision was delegated to the Three Rivers and Watford Shared Services Joint Committee. Cabinet will therefore not be required to make a decision on this item.
Delivery of the Green Deal to Watford residents and businesses	Environmental Services	Cabinet	September 2012	Key decision Agreed by Cabinet on 17 September 2012 Not called in

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Agree the design for the improvement for the Parade and evaluation criteria for selecting a contractor	Corporate Management	Cabinet	September 2012	Key decision Agreed by Cabinet on 17 September 2012 Not called in
Choice Based lettings scrutiny review	Legal and Property Services	Cabinet	Not applicable	Non-key decision Endorsed by Cabinet on 17 September 2012 Not called in
Summary of Financial Outturn 2011/12	Finance	Cabinet	Not applicable	Non-key decision Agreed by Cabinet on 17 September 2012 Not called in
Local Authority Mortgage Scheme	Legal and Property Services and Finance	Cabinet	See status column	Key decision As the item had not been included in the Forward Plan, the Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee was consulted, who gave permission for this item to be included on the agenda for the September Cabinet meeting. Agreed by Cabinet on 17 September 2012 Recommendation to Council agreed on 17 October 2012

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To authorise a closure of part of the pedestrianised section of Hempstead Road adjacent to the Town Hall under s21 of Town Police Clauses Act 1847 to accommodate the Remembrance Day Event	Planning	Head of Planning		Non-key decision Approved by Head of Planning on 25 September 2012
The Borough of Watford (Nascot Area) (Prohibition of Waiting) Order 2012	Planning	Head of Planning		Non-key decision Approved by Head of Planning on 26 September 2012
Determinations made under the Building Regulations, in accordance with s.16 of the Building Act 1984	Planning	Head of Planning		Non-key decisions Approved by the Head of Planning between 1 October and 2 November 2012
Approve the Voluntary and Community Sector Commissioning Framework 2013-16	Community Services	Cabinet	October 2012	Key Decision Agreed by Cabinet on 8 October 2012 Not called in

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To approve the medium Term Financial Strategy 2012/2017	Finance	Cabinet	October 2012	<p>Key decision</p> <p>This decision did not meet the 28 day notice required. The reason for this was that notification was received just before the introduction of the new Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.</p> <p>The Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee agreed that the matter could be dealt with in accordance with Procedure Rule 15 of the Constitution, "General Exception".</p> <p>Agreed by Cabinet on 8 October 2012</p> <p>Not called in</p>

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Approval of final Charter Place land transaction with delegated powers to the Managing Director to enter into the necessary legal documentation	Corporate Management	Cabinet	October 2012	<p>Key decision</p> <p>This decision did not meet the 28 day notice required.</p> <p>The Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee agreed that the matter could be dealt with in accordance with Procedure Rule 16 of the Constitution, "Special Urgency".</p> <p>The reason for the urgency was that the transfer was due to take place on 10 October.</p> <p>Agreed by Cabinet on 8 October 2012</p>
<p>The Borough of Watford (Off-Street Parking Places) Order 2007 (Amendment) (no4) Order 2012</p> <p>The Borough of Watford (Watford Central Area and West Watford) (Controlled Parking Zones) Consolidation) Order 2012 (Amendment) (No.3) Order 2012</p>	Planning	Head of Planning		<p>Non-key decisions</p> <p>Approved by the Head of Planning on 9 October 2012</p>

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To authorise a closure of the High Street between Market Street and Water Lane s21 of the Town Police Clauses Act 1847 to accommodate the switching on the Christmas lights event on 8 November 2012	Planning	Head of Planning		Non-key decisions Approved by the Head of Planning on 19 October 2012
Approve Watford Tenancy Strategy for adoption and publication	Community Services	Cabinet	November 2012	Key decision Cabinet 5 November 2012 Call-in deadline 5.00pm on 13 November 2012
To agree the write off of irrecoverable business rates	Revenues and Benefits	Cabinet	November 2012	New Key decision Cabinet 5 November 2012 Call-in deadline 5.00pm on 13 November 2012
Finance Digest 2012/2013: Period 6 (End of September)	Finance	Cabinet	Not applicable	Non-key decision Cabinet 5 November 2012 Call-in deadline 5.00pm on 13 November 2012

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Watford Market – going forward	Legal and Property Services	Cabinet	November 2012	<p>New</p> <p>Key decision</p> <p>This decision did not meet the 28 day notice required.</p> <p>The Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee was notified that the matter would be dealt with at Cabinet on 5 November, in accordance with Access to Information Procedure Rule 15 of the Constitution, “General Exception”.</p> <p>Cabinet 5 November 2012</p> <p>Call-in deadline 5.00pm on 13 November 2012</p>

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Update on localising Council Tax Support	Revenues and Benefits	Cabinet	See status column	<p>New</p> <p>Key decision</p> <p>This decision did not meet the 28 day notice required.</p> <p>The Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee agreed that the matter could be dealt with in accordance with Access to Information Procedure Rule 16 of the Constitution, "Special Urgency".</p> <p>Cabinet 5 November 2012</p> <p>Not subject to call-in – the call-in procedures do not apply in order to allow consultation to take place and to maximise the time allowed for organisations and local residents to respond.</p>
Award contract to manage and maintain the Council's hostels and managed properties from 1 April 2013 (Part B)	Community Services	Cabinet	December 2012	<p>Key decision</p> <p>This report will be discussed in the private section of the meeting due to the content of the report. It is covered by Paragraph 3, Schedule 12A, which refers to information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information).</p>

Decision	Department	Decision maker	Date Key Decision to be taken (as shown on the Notice of Executive Decisions)	Status
Decision to adopt a local lettings plan to encourage the development of new sustainable communities and make the best use of social accommodation for new Registered Provider development at Cassio Campus	Community Services	Mayor	December 2012	<p>New Key decision</p>
To decide on proceedings to the best and final offer stage in the procurement of parks and open spaces, street cleansing and waste and recycling. (Part A and Part B reports)	Corporate Management	Cabinet	December 2012	<p>New Key decision</p> <p>This report will be discussed in the private section of the meeting due to the content of the report. It is covered by Paragraph 3, Schedule 12A, which refers to information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information).</p>

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Approval to accept the surrender of the long leasehold interest of Council land at Ascot Road, Watford (Former Post Officer site) and to simultaneously enter into new lease(s) with Morrisons (NewInco) (Part B)	Legal and Property Services	Cabinet	December 2012	<p>New Key decision</p> <p>This report will be discussed in the private section of the meeting due to the content of the report. It is covered by Paragraph 3, Schedule 12A, which refers to information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information).</p>
To note the options for the Council's new structure and approve the Corporate priorities as a basis for service business plans	Corporate Management	Cabinet	December 2012	<p>New Key decision</p>

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<p>An update on the Watford Health Campus including a decision subject to further negotiations if needed to enter into a joint venture (LABV) agreement with Kier. Agreement to grant exclusivity to the LABV to develop on Council owned land at the Campus.</p> <p>Review of options and agreement of a preferred option and agreement of a preferred option for the Farm Terrace allotments.</p> <p>(Part A and Part B reports)</p>	Corporate Management	Cabinet	December 2012	<p>New</p> <p>Key decision</p> <p>Part of this report will be discussed in the private section of the meeting as the Part B report will contain financially sensitive information relating to the decision to entering the LABV.</p> <p>It is covered by Paragraph 3, Schedule 12A, which refers to information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information).</p>
Approval of the Private Sector Housing Renewal Policy	Community Services	Cabinet	Before February 2013	Key decision