

**Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council**  
**November 2020**  
**Forward Plan list of decisions to be taken by the Executive and**  
**Notice of Decisions to be taken in private session.**

Representations to a decision being taken in Private Session, where indicated must be e-mailed to [Democratic\\_services@sandwell.gov.uk](mailto:Democratic_services@sandwell.gov.uk) or in writing to Democratic Services, Sandwell Council House, Oldbury, B69 3DP.

The Council defines a Key Decision as:

- (a) an executive decision which is likely to result in the Council incurring expenditure which exceeds that included in any approved revenue or capital budget or the limits set out within an approved borrowing or investment strategy and was not the subject of specific grant; or
- (b) an executive decision which is likely to result in the Council incurring expenditure, the making of savings or the generation of income amounting to:
  - £250,000 or more where the service area budget exceeds £10m;
  - £100,000 or more where the service area budget is less than £10m; or
- (c) an executive decision which is likely to be significant in terms of its effect on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards of the Borough

All items listed in the Executive Notice will be listed as a key decision using the above criteria. Business items which are not defined as a Key Decision may be referred to the Cabinet for information and/or decision but will not be listed in the Executive Notice.

Items listed in the notice of Executive Decisions to be taken in Private Session will list the relevant exemption information as related to the Local Government Act 1972 12A as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006 set out as follows:-

1. Information relating to any individual.
2. Information that is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.
3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).
4. Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under, the authority.
5. Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.
6. Information which reveals that the authority proposes:-
  - to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or
  - to make an order or direction under any enactment.
7. Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime.

The Cabinet/Members of the Executive are as follows:- Councillors Ali, Allcock, Crompton, Millard, Padda, Shaeen, Singh, Taylor and Underhill.

The following items set out key decisions to be taken by the Executive in public session:-

	<b>Title/Subject</b>	<b>Cabinet Portfolio Area</b>	<b>Decision Date</b>	<b>Pre-decision Scrutiny to be carried out? (Board and date)</b>	<b>List of documents to be considered</b>
1	<p><b>Model Schools Pay Policy 2020/21 - Attached and Unattached</b></p> <p>Contact Officer: David Briggs,</p> <p>Director: Chris Ward - Director of Education, Skills and Employment</p>	Best Start in Life (Cllr Underhill)	November 2020		<p>Report by:</p> <p>Director – Education, Skills and Employment</p> <p>Chief Finance Officer</p> <p>Appendices Attached Policy Unattached Policy</p>



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2	<p><b>Sandwell Children’s Trust Annual Review 2019/20</b></p> <p>Contact Officer: Lesley Hagger</p> <p>Director: Lesley Hagger, Executive Director of Children’s Services</p>	Best Start in Life (Cllr Underhill)	November 2020	Scrutiny Board met with Sandwell Children’s Trust on 22 June 2020	<p>Report by: Executive Director of Children’s Services</p> <p>Annual Review 2019/20 Report</p>
3	<p><b>Heat Networks – appointment of contractor for Detailed Project Development</b></p> <p>Contact Officer: Alan Martin/Mark Taylor</p> <p>Director: Tammy Stokes – Interim Director Regeneration and Growth/Alison Knight – Executive Director – Neighbourhoods</p>	Inclusive Economic Growth (Cllr Millard)	November 2020		



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4	<p><b>Wednesbury - Brierley Hill Extension Legal Agreement Update</b></p> <p>Contact Officer: Tammy Stokes/Andy Miller</p> <p>Director: Tammy Stokes – Interim Director Regeneration and Growth/Alison Knight – Executive Director – Neighbourhoods</p>	<p>Inclusive Economic Growth (Cllr Millard)</p> <p>Sustainable Transport (Cllr Taylor)</p>	November 2020		
5	<p><b>Canal and Waterways SPD</b></p> <p>Contact Officer: Andy Miller/Zoe Wilson</p> <p>Director: Tammy Stokes – Interim Director Regeneration and Growth/Alison Knight – Executive Director – Neighbourhoods</p>	<p>Inclusive Economic Growth (Cllr Millard)</p> <p>Sustainable Transport (Cllr Taylor)</p>	November 2020		



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6	<p><b>Quarter 2 Budget Monitoring</b></p> <p>Contact Officer: Rebecca Maher</p> <p>Director: Darren Carter – Executive Director – Resources</p>	Resources and Core Services (Cllr Ali)	November 2020		
7	<p><b>Foster Carers Leave</b></p> <p>Contact Officer: David Briggs</p> <p>Director: Sue Stanhope – Interim HR Director</p>	Resources and Core Council Services (Cllr Ali)	November 2020		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cabinet Report</li> <li>• HR74 - Foster Carers Leave Policy</li> <li>• HR74.1 Foster Carers Leave request form</li> </ul>



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8	<p><b>Approving a Supplemental Deed of Variation to the Black Country Joint Committee Collaboration Agreement to adopt The Black Country Enterprise Zones Governance Principles</b></p> <p>Contact Officer: Matthew Driver</p> <p>Director: Alison Knight – Executive Director – Neighbourhoods/Darren Carter – Executive Director – Resources</p>	<p>Resources and Core Services (Cllr Ali)</p> <p>Inclusive Economic Growth (Cllr Millard)</p>	November 2020	No	<p>Cabinet Report</p> <p>Appendix A Black Country Executive Joint Committee Collaboration Agreement Supplementary Deed</p> <p>Appendix B Enterprise Zones Governance Principles</p>



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9	<p><b>Variation for Direct Payment Support Services Contract</b></p> <p>Contact Officer: Beverley Stevens/Christine Guest</p> <p>Director: Neil Cox – Director of Prevention &amp; Protection</p>	Living Healthy Lives (Cllr Shaeen)	November 2020		
10	<p><b>West Smethwick Park tender returns</b></p> <p>Contact Officer: Darren Jones</p> <p>Director: Alan Caddick – Director – Housing and Communities</p>	Safer Communities (Deputy Leader)	November 2020		



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11	<p><b>Designation of Nature Conservation Sites</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Land west of Wilderness Lane</li> <li>• Axeltree Way</li> </ul> <p>Contact Officer: Zoe Wilson</p> <p>Director: Tammy Stokes– Interim Director Regeneration and Growth/Dr Alison Knight – Executive Director – Neighbourhoods</p>	Inclusive Economic Growth (Cllr Millard)	November 2020		
12	<p><b>West Midlands E-Scooter Trials – Approval of proposed West Bromwich Trial</b></p> <p>Contact Officer: Andy Miller/Oliver Ford</p> <p>Director: Tammy Stokes – Interim Director Regeneration and Growth/Alison Knight – Executive Director – Neighbourhoods</p>	Sustainable Transport (Cllr Taylor)	November 2020		





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13	<p><b>Strategic Acquisitions in West Bromwich Town Centre to support Bull Street redevelopment (with associated WMCA grant funding approvals)</b></p> <p>Contact Officer: David Harris  Director: Tammy Stokes – Interim Director Regeneration and Growth/Alison Knight – Executive Director – Neighbourhoods</p>	<p>Inclusive Economic Growth (Cllr Millard)</p>	<p>November 2020</p>		



The following items set out key decisions to be taken by the Executive in private session:-

Title/Subject	Cabinet Portfolio Area	Decision Date	Private Item – Reason for Exemption	List of documents to be considered

