

Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council  
January 2019  
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 S Eling (Chair), S Khatun, K Carmichael, Costigan, Gavan, D Hosell, Hackett, Moore, Shackleton and Trow.

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

Title/Subject	Cabinet Portfolio Area	Decision Date	Pre-decision Scrutiny to be carried out? (Board and date)	List of documents to be considered
<p><b>SMBC02/01/2019</b>  <b>Determination of Admission Priorities for Sandwell’s Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools 2020/2021</b></p> <p>Contact Officer(s): Paul Hayward/Donna Williams</p> <p>Director: Chris Ward, Director – Employment, Skills and Education</p>	<p>Children’s Services</p>	<p>January 2019</p>		

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<p><b>SMBC03/01/2019</b>  <b>Schools Funding 2019/20</b></p> <p>Contact Officer: Rose Kerr</p> <p>Director: Lesley Hagger, Executive Director of Children’s Services/Chris Ward, Director – Employment, Skills and Education/Darren Carter, Executive Director – Resources</p>	<p>Children’s Services</p>	<p>January 2019</p>		
<p><b>SMBC10/12/2018</b>  <b>Proposed Resource Realignment and Transformation Programme - Law and Governance Directorate</b></p> <p>Contact Officer:  Surjit Tour</p> <p>Director: Surjit Tour - Director – Monitoring Officer</p>	<p>Culture and Core Services</p>	<p>January 2019</p>		<p>Report and Business Case</p>

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<p><b>SMBC5/01/2019</b>  <b>Implementing the 2019 Pay Award</b></p> <p>Contact Officers: Richard Luckman/Louise Lawrence/David Briggs</p> <p>Director: Darren Carter – Executive Director - Resources</p>	<p>Culture and Core Services</p>	<p>January 2019</p>		<p>Revised Pay Structure and Spine – 1 April 2019</p>
<p><b>SMBC09/11/2018</b>  <b>Digital Strategy 2018 - 2021</b></p> <p>Contact Officers:  Sue Knowles – Head of ICT and Revenues and Benefits/Nicola Biddle – ICT – Digital Transformation Lead Officer</p> <p>Director: Darren Carter – Executive Director of Resources</p>	<p>Culture and Core Council Services</p>	<p>January 2019</p>		<p>Digital Strategy 2018 – 2021</p>

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<p><b>SMBC10/11/2018</b>  <b>To seek approval for the construction of new-build Council homes on land at the rear of Alfred Gunn House, Thompson Road, Oldbury</b></p> <p>Contact Officer:  Alan Martin  Partnerships Programme Manager</p> <p>Director: Amy Harhoff – Director of Regeneration and Growth/  Dr Alison Knight – Executive Director – Neighbourhoods</p>	Housing	January 2019		
<p><b>SMBC08/01/2019</b>  <b>Roofing Repairs</b></p> <p>Contact Officer: Steve Piddock</p> <p>Director: Alan Caddick – Director – Housing and Communities</p>	Housing	January 2019		

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<p><b>SMBC02/12/2018</b>  <b>Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme</b></p> <p>Contact Officer: Sue Knowles</p> <p>Director: Darren Carter - Executive Director – Resources</p>	Leader	January 2019		
<p><b>SMBC12/11/2018</b>  <b>External Funding Applications</b></p> <p>Contact Officer: Heather Chinner</p> <p>Director: Darren Carter – Executive Director – Resources</p>	Leader	January 2019		
<p><b>SMBC10/01/2019</b>  <b>Review of Fees and Charges for Registration Services</b></p> <p>Contact Officer: Mark Satchwell</p> <p>Director: Surjit Tour – Director – Monitoring Officer</p>	Leader	January 2019		

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<p><b>SMBC09/01/2019</b>  <b>West Smethwick Park Heritage Lottery Funded Restoration Project</b></p> <p>Contact Officers: Darren Jones/Mark Drake</p> <p>Director:  Alan Caddick – Director – Housing and Communities</p>	<p>Leisure and Commonwealth Games</p>	<p>January 2019</p>		
<p><b>SMBC04/01/2019</b>  <b>West Bromwich Town Centre Public Spaces Protection Order</b></p> <p>Contact Officer: Tessa Mitchell</p> <p>Director – Housing and Communities</p>	<p>Public Health and Protection</p>	<p>January 2019</p>		

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

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

**Representations to a decision being taken in private session must be received before the date shown in the Private Item – Exemption column.**