

PUBLICATION OF DECISION LIST NUMBER 11/23-24

MUNICIPAL YEAR 2023/24

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This document lists the decisions taken by the Cabinet at its meeting on 7 November 2023. The list covers key and non-key decisions. These decisions will come into force within four working days of the date of this document (i.e. 15 November 2023) unless the Overview and Scrutiny Committee calls a decision in.

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Decisions that involve expenditure over £100,000 or that affect more than one ward can be called in. "Call-in" requires at least a quarter of the Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to request the "call-in", in writing, within four working days of the publication of the decision by the Cabinet, to be effective. A Notification of Call-in Form can be obtained from and should be completed, signed and returned to Governance Services. Either a special meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to consider the "called-in" item(s) will be convened within three working days of the call-in request or the item will be placed on the agenda of the next available meeting of the Committee, depending on which can be achieved earliest. The Call-In procedure does not apply where the decision being taken by the Cabinet is urgent.

Where the Overview and Scrutiny Committee is of the opinion that an executive decision which relates to an area covered by the Committee yet to be made or made but not yet implemented would be, contrary to the policy framework, or contrary to or not wholly in accordance with the Council's budget, then it should seek advice from the Monitoring Officer and/or Corporate Director (Resources, Environment and Cultural Services).

If you have any queries or wish to obtain further report information or information on a decision please refer to:

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SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT

FP1189 COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT SCHEME

Part 1 or 2 (Relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by the Decision	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of Decision (i.e. Key, Non- Key, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-In & Date to be called in by
Part 1	All wards	None	Non-Key	Farhad Cantel Client Support Services Manager f.cantel@welhat.gov.uk	No

DECISION:

DECISION TAKEN

RESOLVED:

(unanimous)

To recommend to Full Council that Welwyn Hatfield localised council tax support scheme continues in 2024/25 to help people on low/no income to receive a reduction on their council tax.

BACKGROUND:

SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT

FP1999 PROPOSAL TO END THE USE OF FLEXIBLE (5 YEAR FIXED TERM) TENANCIES

Part 1 or 2 (Relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by the Decision	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of Decision (i.e. Key, Non- Key, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-In & Date to be called in by
Part 1	All wards	None	Non-Key	Lydia Bradbury Housing Portfolio Manager L.bradbury@welhat.gov.uk	Yes 15 November 2023

DECISION:

DECISION TAKEN

RESOLVED:

(unanimous)

That fixed term tenancies should end with immediate effect and that all new tenancies are granted as secure council tenancies.

BACKGROUND:

SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT

FP2006 ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR POLICY

Part 1 or 2 (Relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by the Decision	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of Decision (i.e. Key, Non- Key, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-In & Date to be called in by
Part 1	All wards	None	Non-Key	Carla Claydon Community and Intervention Team Leader C.claydon@welhat.gov.uk	Yes 15 November 2023

DECISION:

DECISION TAKEN

RESOLVED:

(unanimous)

The adoption of the updated Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) Policy and the adoption of the updated Anti-Social Behaviour Strategy 2023-2025

BACKGROUND:

SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT

FP1198 DAMP AND MOULD POLICY

Part 1 or 2 (Relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by the Decision	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of Decision (i.e. Key, Non- Key, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-In & Date to be called in by
Part 1	All wards	None	Non-Key	Sue McDaid Service Director (Resident & Neighbourhood) S.McDaid@welhat.gov.uk	No

DECISION:

DECISION TAKEN

RESOLVED:

(unanimous)

To support the decision for the Executive Member to approve and sign the Damp and Mould Policy, and make the required amendments, under delegated authority.

BACKGROUND:

SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT

INTRODUCTION OF A PET POLICY

Part 1 or 2 (Relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by the Decision	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of Decision (i.e. Key, Non- Key, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-In & Date to be called in by
Part 1	all wards	None	Non-Key	Lydia Bradbury Housing Portfolio Manager L.bradbury@Welhat.gov.uk	No

DECISION:

DECISION TAKEN

RESOLVED:

(unanimous)

Cabinet agreed the Pet Policy.

BACKGROUND:

SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT

CAPITAL BUDGET MONITORING REPORT - QUARTER 2

Part 1 or 2 (Relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by the Decision	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of Decision (i.e. Key, Non- Key, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-In & Date to be called in by
Part 1	All wards	None	Non-Key	Helen O'Keeffe Assistant Director (Finance) h.okeeffe@welhat.gov.uk	No

DECISION:

DECISION TAKEN

RESOLVED:

(unanimous)

The Cabinet noted the capital forecast outturn position and forecast position as of 30th September 2023 for funding of the capital programme and reserve balances.

BACKGROUND:

SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT

REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING REPORT - QUARTER 2

Part 1 or 2 (Relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by the Decision	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of Decision (i.e. Key, Non- Key, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-In & Date to be called in by
Part 1	All wards	None	Non-Key	Helen O'Keeffe Assistant Director (Finance) h.okeeffe@welhat.gov.uk	No

DECISION:

DECISION TAKEN

RESOLVED:

(unanimous)

Cabinet:

Noted the revenue forecast position as of Quarter 2 and the position on debts as set out in Section 5 of the report; Agreed the virements set out in section 3.1.2 of the report.

BACKGROUND:

SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT

TREASURY MANAGEMENT MID YEAR REPORT

Part 1 or 2 (Relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by the Decision	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of Decision (i.e. Key, Non- Key, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-In & Date to be called in by
Part 1	All wards	None	Non-Key	Helen O'Keeffe Assistant Director (Finance) h.okeeffe@welhat.gov.uk	No

DECISION:

DECISION TAKEN

RESOLVED:

(unanimous)

Cabinet noted the current treasury position and Treasury Management Indicators.

BACKGROUND:

SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT

RISK MANAGEMENT - QUARTER 2 RISK REGISTERS

Part 1 or 2 (Relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by the Decision	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of Decision (i.e. Key, Non- Key, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-In & Date to be called in by
Part 1	N/a	None	Non-Key	Richard Baker Executive Director (Finance & Transformation) R.baker@welhat.gov.uk	No

DECISION:

RESOLVED:

(unanimous)

Cabinet noted the risk register for Quarter 2 and the comments & actions in respect of the strategic and serious/severe operational risks.

BACKGROUND:

SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT

PERFORMANCE EXCEPTION REPORT

Part 1 or 2 (Relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by the Decision	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of Decision (i.e. Key, Non- Key, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-In & Date to be called in by
Part 1	All wards	None	Non-Key	Kirsten Roberts Assistant Director (Customer Services & Transformation) K.roberts@welhat.gov.uk	No

DECISION:

DECISION TAKEN

RESOLVED:

(unanimous)

Cabinet noted the report and approved the proposed actions set out in the appendices of the report.

BACKGROUND:

SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT

VISION AND PRIORITIES 2023-26

Part 1 or 2 (Relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by the Decision	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of Decision (i.e. Key, Non- Key, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-In & Date to be called in by
Part 1	All wards	None	Non-Key	Kirsten Roberts Assistant Director (Customer Services & Transformation) K.roberts@welhat.gov.uk	No

DECISION:

DECISION TAKEN

RESOLVED:

(unanimous)

Cabinet:

- 1. Noted the summary of the Community Survey; and
- 2. Agreed the new vision and priorities for 2023-2026 (the Community Plan) be recommended to Council.

BACKGROUND:

SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT

COUNCIL ACHIEVEMENT LIST QUARTER 2

Part 1 or 2 (Relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by the Decision	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of Decision (i.e. Key, Non- Key, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-In & Date to be called in by
Part 1	All wards	None	Non-Key	Kirsten Roberts Assistant Director (Customer Services & Transformation) K.roberts@welhat.gov.uk	No

DECISION:

DECISION TAKEN

RESOLVED:

(unanimous)

The Cabinet noted the reports and contents of the Achievement List.

BACKGROUND: