

## FORWARD PLAN – KEY DECISIONS FOR THE PERIOD 1 DECEMBER – 31 MARCH 2012

### REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

#### 1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To provide Members with an opportunity to consider the Executive's Forward Plan for the period 1 December – 31 March 2012.

#### 2. Background Information

- 2.1 The Council's Forward Plan contains matters which are likely to be the subject of a key decision to be taken by the Executive. The Plan covers a four month period and is prepared and updated on a monthly basis.
- 2.2 Holding the Executive to account is one of the main functions of scrutiny. One of the ways that this can be achieved is by considering the forthcoming decisions of the Executive (as outlined in the Forward Plan) and deciding whether scrutiny can add value in advance of the decision being made. This does not negate Non-Executive Members ability to call-in a decision after it has been made.
- 2.3 In considering the Forward Plan, members are asked to consider only those issues which are under the remit of the Scrutiny Committee. These are as follows:-

*General Scope: To consider issues relating to health and adult social care services  
Remit: Social Care (Adults); Welfare Rights; Relationships and scrutiny of health services; Healthy life and lifestyle choices for adults and children; Public Health; Citizenship (Adults); and External inspections (Adult Services)*

#### 3. Current Position

- 3.1 The relevant extract from the Forward Plan is attached.
- 3.2 In the event of members having any queries that cannot be dealt with directly in the meeting, a response will be sought from the relevant Directorate.

#### 4. Recommendations

- 4.1 To consider the Executive's Forward Plan for the current period.

#### 5. Background Papers

Forward Plan 1 December – 31 March 2012