



CITY COUNCIL FORWARD PLAN 2020/21 – October 2020

To include:

- Policy framework plans
- Executive and Scrutiny reports
- Appointments
- City Council Resolutions Tracker (Appendix 1)

CBM	
05 May 2020	Overseas Travel and Inward Delegations from Abroad
	Covid-19 Temporary Governance Arrangements
28 May 2020	Reports not on the Forward Plan – Annual Report
	Proportionality
	City Council Appointments
29 June 2020	Membership of the Co-operative Council's Innovation Network
	Recommendation to appoint representatives – Independent Remuneration Panel
	Petitions Update
24 August 2020	Appointment to Roll of Honorary Alderman
	Request for Use of Coat of Arms

City Council	
09 June 2020	Executive Business Report – Covid-19
	Reports not on the Forward Plan
14 July 2020	Submission of the 'Development Management in Birmingham' Development Plan Document
	Membership of the Co-operative Council's Innovation Network
	Scrutiny Business Report
	Lead Member report: Transport Delivery Committee
15 September 2020	Executive Business Report (Covid-19 Update)
	Executive: Route to Zero Interim Report
	Scrutiny Inquiry: Home to School Transport (Education & Children's Social Care)
	Annual report of Independent Remuneration Panel
	COUNCIL AS TRUSTEE

CBM	
19 October 2020	Annual Review of Constitution
	Petitions Update
16 November 2020	
21 December 2020	Petitions Update
18 January 2021	Meetings during Pre-Election Period
	Annual Standards Committee Report (Contact: Rob Connelly, Interim Assistant Director, Governance)
8 February 2021	Overseas Travel and Inward Delegations from Abroad
	Provisional City Council and CBM dates for 2021/22
29 March 2021	Petitions Update
	Annual Report of the Independent Remuneration Panel
10 May 2020	Proportionality
	City Council Appointments
	Annual Review of the City Council's Constitution
	Overseas Travel and Inward Delegations from Abroad

Four Yearly or ad-hoc items:

Appointment to the Roll of Honorary Alderman (May 2022)

Appointment of the Leader (May 2022)

City Council	
3 November 2020	Amendments to the Constitution
	Scrutiny Inquiry: Customer Services (Co-ordinating)
	Street Trading Policy
1 December 2020	Scrutiny Business Report
	Route to Zero Report
	Lead Member report: WMCA Scrutiny
12 January 2021	Executive Business Report
	Lead Member report: West Midlands Police & Crime Panel
2 February 2021* / **	Scrutiny Business Report
	Lead Member report: West Midlands Fire Authority
	Annual report of the Audit Committee (tbc)
23 February 2021	BUDGET MEETING – Financial Plan 2020-2024
13 April 2021	Executive Business Report
	Scrutiny Inquiry: Infant Mortality (Health and Social Care)
25 May 2021	ANNUAL MEETING

Items to be scheduled / proposed:

Executive Business Report – June, Sept/Nov, January and April

Scrutiny Business Report – July, December, February

Lead Member reports: West Midlands Fire Authority (February); Transport Delivery Committee (July); WMCA Scrutiny (September); GBSLEP Scrutiny (November); West Midlands Police & Crime Panel (December)

* Pre-meeting of members to select Lord Mayor elect

** Annual Council Photograph

Appendix 1: City Council Resolutions – Tracker

Ref no	Date	Summary of Council Resolution	Lead Cabinet Member / officer	Update
5b	04 December 2018	<p>Women & Democracy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the attached Statement of Intent is agreed; • That Cabinet Members and named officers are asked to implement the action plan included within the report in order to tackle the many barriers to women's representation in Local Government; • Add the following to action plan: Noting the small proportion of women representing the new single member wards, to lobby the Boundary Commission for a further review of city wards to tackle this issue. 	Deputy Leader / Jonathan Tew, Assistant Chief Executive / City Solicitor	Action plan implementation underway [January 2019]

Ref no	Date	Summary of Council Resolution	Lead Cabinet Member / officer	Update
6g	15 January 2019	<p><i>Motion for Debate:</i> The Council therefore calls on the Executive to place into the public domain all documents relating to the GMB payment including, but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A copy of the ACAS deal itself • Copies of all delegated decision reports • Copies of any briefings or correspondence with any cabinet member, previous or current, regarding the deal • Copies of any correspondence between the Council and GMB in the run up to and after the Unite settlement regarding the proposed settlement and any objections GMB had to that • Copies of any correspondence concerning the decision to exclude GMB from talks after the Unite settlement • Copies of minutes from all meetings between the Council and any Union concerning implementation of the Nov 2017 settlement • Full details of all costs involved, including the total payment itself and any legal costs • Copies of any correspondence regarding how and why the deal should be kept secret and not included in usual processes such as the requirement to publish all spend over £500 • The Council also calls for an immediate review into the use of delegated powers within the constitution 	Leader / City Solicitor	<p>Motion will be monitored regarding release of documentation, earliest possible date Feb 2020</p> <p>Monitoring Officer reviewing the information [August 2020 update]</p>

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2a	09-Jul-2019	<p><i>Motion for debate:</i> This Council recognises that it is now over 25 years since the protocol regarding officers' responses and replies to members' enquiries was established.</p> <p>Since then the communications world has radically changed, the majority of complaints and enquiries to Councillors are via email.</p> <p>This Council therefore agrees to establish a task and finish working party through the Co-ordinating Overview and Scrutiny that would create a new protocol for responses to members' enquiries.</p> <p>This protocol should guarantee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the prompt provision of acknowledgements to Councillors' enquiries by officers; and • the provision of a substantive response to the enquiry within a fixed and agreed timescale, based on the issue raised; and • A system of chasing up Councillor enquiries that are not responded to within the target period. 	Deputy Leader / Chair, Co-ordinating O&S Committee / Emma Williamson, Head of Scrutiny Services	COMPLETED: The Co-ordinating O&S Committee has commenced work on this as part of its on-going inquiry. The inquiry was paused in the first months of the Covid-19 pandemic but a report will be presented to Full Council in November 2020 [October 2020 update]
3c	10-Sep-2019	<p>That approval be given to the revised City Council Constitution as attached and that the City Solicitor be authorised to implement the changes with effect from 11th September 2019 subject to changes being made, to set out a clear right for all members of the Audit Committee to have access to any information that is relevant to their role to be discussed by Group Leaders for the wording to be agreed.</p> <p>In 'Part B Roles, Functions and Rules of Procedure B14 Audit Committee' paragraph 14.3 ii be deleted.</p>	Leader / Emma Williamson, Head of Scrutiny Services	<p>COMPLETED: Amended Constitution published; paragraph 14.3 ii deleted.</p> <p>Provision on Audit Committee members to have access to information relevant to their role to be included as part of the amendments taken to Full Council in November 2020 [October 2020 update]</p>

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5a	14-Jan-2020	<p><i>Birmingham Suicide Prevention Strategy 2019-2024:</i></p> <p>That Council endorses the Birmingham Suicide Prevention Strategy and calls on elected members across all parties to support the delivery of the strategy moving forward.</p> <p>That the Action Plan that underpins this strategy is circulated to all Members and that updates on progress are published on an annual basis.</p>	Cabinet Member Health and Social Care / Justin Varney, Director of Public Health	An advisory group which meets bi-monthly are currently working on the action plan which will be circulated in the Summer. [February 2020 update]
6b	04-Feb-2020	<p><i>Motions for Debate – Electoral System</i></p> <p>This Council believes it is vital that the results of elections to Birmingham City Council represent the views of the communities we serve as closely as possible.</p> <p>This Council resolves to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> write to the Cabinet Office to ask Government to take part in a national debate in respect of electoral reform and commits to contributing to that debate, which could include an option for considering STV in multiple member wards in Birmingham 	Leader / Interim Chief Executive	COMPLETED – letter sent to Chloe Smith, Minister of State at the Cabinet Office

Other Actions from City Council Meetings

Date	Agenda Item	To Respond	Request/Question	Action taken
14-Jul-20	Oral Questions	Cllr Ian Ward	To respond to Birmingham Pride on use of the Smithfield site (Cllr Gareth Moore)	Resolved
15-Sep-20	Oral Questions	Cllr Waseem Zaffar	To respond to request from Cllr Harmer on the changes made to the pavements resurfacing programme as a result of councillor comments	