

# **FORWARD PLAN**

January 2004 Edition

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### THE FORWARD PLAN

#### Introduction

The Forward Plan sets out information about future Council decisions. It also gives the public the opportunity to have their say on these decisions before they are taken.

## **Publication and inspection of the Plan**

The Plan is published monthly. It is available for inspection, free of charge, at the reception desk at the Civic Centre, Dagenham. It is also available on the Council's website (<a href="www.lbbd.gov.uk">www.lbbd.gov.uk</a>).

The Plan will be published on the following dates during the Council year 2003/04:

Publication date
9 December 2003
6 January 2004
10 February 2004
16 March 2004

#### Contents of the Plan

By law, councils have to publish a monthly Forward Plan. This has to contain available details of all "Key Decisions" the Council is aware will be taken by councillors or staff during the forthcoming four-month period. The term "Key Decision" is explained below.

Barking and Dagenham Council is committed to open government. It is encouraging local people to have their say on the decisions that affect them, their families and the community as a whole. It recognises that is therefore important to provide as much information about these decisions as possible. As a result, Barking and Dagenham's Forward Plan lists all decisions, not just "Key Decisions", and looks as far ahead as possible, not just at the coming few months.

#### Key Decisions

A "Key Decision" is a decision that is likely to:

- (a) involve significant spending or savings and/or
- (b) have a significant effect on the community

In relation to (a), councils have to define which financial decisions are "significant" and, therefore, "Key." Barking and Dagenham's definition is spending or savings of £200,000 or more that is not in the Council's Budget (the setting of the Budget is itself a Key Decision).

In relation to (b), a decision is, by law, "Key" if it is likely to have a significant impact on the community in two or more wards. In line with Government guidance, this Council treats a decision as "Key" if it is likely to have a significant impact on one or more ward.

#### Information included in the Plan

In relation to each Key Decision, the Plan includes as much of the following information as is available when it is published:

- the subject matter
- the Member meeting/employee taking the decision
- the estimated date when a decision will be taken
- any groups/persons to be consulted before the decision is taken
- how any such consultation will be carried out
- a list of relevant documents to be submitted to the decision-taker in connection with the decision

## How you can have your say

If you would like to comment on any decision included in the Plan please let me know as soon as you can. I will then ensure your comments are considered by those taking the decision.

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## Key to the table

Column 1 shows the estimated date when the decision will be taken and who will be taking the decision.

Column 2 sets out the title of the report or subject matter, the nature of the decision being sought and a list of supporting papers (if any) to be presented with the report.

Key Decisions are listed in bold type. Other decisions are listed in normal type.

Column 2 also shows, in brackets, the initials of the Chief Officer proposing the decision as follows:

DEAL = Director of Education, Arts and Libraries

DHH = Director of Housing and Health

DLES = Director of Leisure and Environmental Services

DSS = Director of Social Services

DCS = Director of Corporate Strategy

DF = Director of Finance

Columns 3 and 4 provide information available at the time the Plan was published on, respectively, any groups to be consulted by the Council before the decision is taken and how any such consultation will be carried out.

Column 5 specifies which Wards (if any) will be affected by the proposal.

The Plan also lists the Members involved in taking Key Decisions (see Appendix A)

## **MEETING DATES 2003/04**

Executive
13 January 2004
20 January 2004
27 January 2004
10 February 2004
24 February 2004
Performance Monitoring
9 March 2004
16 March 2004
23 March 2004
30 March 2004
13 April 2004
27 April 2004
4 May 2004

Assembly
7 January 2004
4 February 2004
3 March 2004
7 April 2004
12 May (Annual Assembly) 2004

Decision taker/ Estimated date (Draft report deadline)	Subject Matter (relevant Chief Officer)  Nature of Decision	Consultees	Consultation Process	Wards Affected by the Proposals
	Additional documents to be submitted			
Executive: 13.1.04 (12.12.03)	Mayors, Members and Fleet Transport (DLES/ DCS)  The report outlines the service implications caused by the financial savings required to the Mayor's, Members and Fleet Transport service in 2004 / 2005 as a result of the budgetary savings exercise agreed by the Assembly.	Internal:  Lead Member: Cllr Fairbrass  CE DLES - Transport and Waste Manager DLES - Acting Head of Finance	Departmental Meetings  Circulation of draft report	Not applicable
	None.	DF – Head of Financial		
Executive: 13.1.04	Procurement of Catering Supplies: Financial (DEAL)  The current agreements for various catering suppliers, including food and beverage, will terminate during 2004. It will be necessary to re-tender through EU Directives.  None.	Internal:  Members  DEAL - Schools DEAL - Parents and children DEAL - Equalities and diversity routes  DSS  DLES  External:  Local and national	Meetings Surveys Tasting sessions	All Wards
		Local and national suppliers		

Executive: 13.1.04	Consultation on the Proposed Urban Development Corporation for East London (DLES)  The Executive will be asked to consider the Council's response to the ODPM's consultation on the establishment of an Urban Development Corporation for East London.  The Office for the Deputy Prime Minister issued a consultation paper on the establishment of an Urban Development Corporation for East London on 17 November 2003. The deadline for receipt of consultation responses is 6 February 2004.	Chief Executive All Chief Officers (Regeneration Board – 23 December 2003) Finance LESD All DLES Heads of Service	Circulation of draft report	Not applicable
	consultation responses is 6 February 2004.  None.			

Executive: 13.1.04	Award of Residential Respite Care Beds Contract (DSS)  The Executive is asked to approve the award of contract to Angel Lodge for a period from 1 April 2004 to 31 March 2006.  Following the closure of Kingsbridge Residential Care Home availability of residential care beds to provide planned respite care has been reduced. This valuable service enables carers to take breaks whilst their relatives are cared for in a residential situation. In order to meet demands replacing these beds Officers have tendered the services in accordance with the Council Constitution & contract rules.	Internal - Management Team and Heads of Service	Via Meetings, emails, reports etc	Not applicable
Executive: 13.1.04	Policing Reform Consultation (DCS)  The Government issued a consultation on policing reform on 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2003. The paper contains wide ranging proposals to reform the police service. Barking and Dagenham Council's response to this consultation will form part of a wider response conducted by the Association of London Government.  None.	Members of the Community Safety Strategic Partnership (Internal – Corporate Strategy/Social Services/Housing and Health) (External – the Police, the PCT, Victim Support and the Race Equality Council)	Through the Community Safety Strategic Partnership	All Wards

Executive: 13.1.04	Response to Scrutiny Management Board: Call in: Selection of Barking & Dagenham's Panel of RSL Partners. (DHH)	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
	The Executive will be asked to consider the views of the Scrutiny Management Board an decides to:	d		
	admit London & Quadrant Housing     Trust (subject to the condition in para     4.1) and Presentation Housing     Association to the preferred RSL     partner panel.			
	2. include Southern Housing Group in the RSL panel, subject to good progress in the remainder of 2003/04 with their new housing developments in the borough			
	3. adopt the selection criteria for RSL partners as set out in para. 4.3			
	4. request the RSL forum which is bein established within the Barking & Dagenham Partnership to monitor on a quarterly basis the performance of the Council's RSL partners			
	5. Receive annual reports reviewing the RSL partner panel and consider any proposals to add or exclude any RSLs.			
	None.			

Executive: 13.1.04	Social Services Inspection Report - Older Persons : Community (DSS)	Not for consultation	Not applicable	All Wards
	The Executive will be asked to approve the recommendations contained within the report based on the outcome of the Inspection process.			
	The Social Services Inspectorate will be inspecting Older People's Services in Barking & Dagenham during end of September 2003 / beginning October 2003 (2 week period). The report will contain feedback from the Inspection plus any recommendations for the future of the service.			
	None.			
Executive: 13.1.04	Integrated Community Equipment Services (DSS)  Health & Social Care are required to provide a single integrated community equipment service by April 2004.  The proposal is to create a single service with HPCT/B&D PCT/LBH and LBBD to achieve	H PCT B&D PCT LBH Users Unions	Meetings Project Steering Group	All Wards
	national targets locally  The Executive will be asked to approve the development of a new service in line with national policy plus the partnership agreement/funding underpinning the change.			

Executive: 13.1.04	Update on National Service Framework for Older People targets (DSS)  The National Service Framework contains national targets pertaining to Older People's Services. The report provides the Executive with a progress report on the achievement of the targets in relation to Barking & Dagenham.	Ongoing consultation with residents of the Borough on the NSF standards.	Not applicable	All Wards.
Executive: 13.1.04	Report on Business Case for Customer First (DHH)  The Executive will be asked to agree the strategy for Customer First and to consider the progress of the business case for Customer First.  None.	Internal: The Management Team Relevant Heads of Service  External: Community Groups	Community Forums and Community Housing Partnerships (CHPs). Possible Focus Groups.	Not applicable
Executive: 13.1.04	Ground Floor Communal Area Refurbishment (DHH)  The Executive will be asked to appoint the chosen tenderer  The report concerns contractual issues regarding the appointment of a contractor for the above refurbishment scheme at Cadiz Court, Dagenham, 130 –159 St Marys, West House and Anderson House, Barking  None.	Internal:  DHH - Project sponsor DHH - Head of Landlord Services DHH - Head of Housing Services DHH - Community Housing Managers and staff  External: Residents	Internal correspondence Resident meetings	Abbey; Gascoigne; Village;

Executive:	Structural Repairs And Major Refurbishment	Internal:	Internal correspondence	Mayesbrook
13.1.04	At 1-43 Kilsby Walk, Dagenham (DHH)		Resident meetings	
	Information regarding the appointment of a	Ward Councillors: Cllrs Mrs		
	Information regarding the appointment of a contract administrator for the project.	Blake, Mrs Conyard and Mrs Hunt		
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	None.	DHH		
		DHH - Project sponsor DHH - Block warden		
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		External:		
		Residents		

Executive:	Community Empowerment and Engagement	External	Postal questionnaire	Not applicable
13.1.04	Policy Commission (DCS)	Attendees of recent	·	
		Community Forums	Invitations to Policy	
	Barking and Dagenham Council wants to	Sheila Delaney (B&D Race	Commission meeting	
	ensure that all members of the community	Equality Council)		
	are fully engaged, empowered and involved	Elizabeth Richardson		
	in the delivery of local services.	(London School of		
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	This report intends to provide a clear action	Rod Hewitt (Chairman of		
	plan to improve community engagement and	Local Businessman		
	empowerment and has been developed by	Association)		
	Members and Officers with strong and	,		
	practiced experience on how best to achieve	Internal		
	this.	Daryl Telles		
		(Neighbourhood		
	The Empowerment and Engagement Policy	Management Co-ordinator)		
	Commission was established in October	Sarah Kingston		
	2002 and its Members were appointed in	(Neighbourhood		
	January 2003 to take the project forward.	Management Co-ordinator)		
	The following scope was agreed for the			
	Policy Commission in October 2002 by the			
	Assembly:			
	<ul> <li>to identify best practice</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>create a vision for community</li> </ul>			
	empowerment and engagement in the			
	area building on work already undertaken			
	<ul> <li>develop some key actions to improve</li> </ul>			
	community empowerment and			
	engagement.			
	The Executive will be asked for comments			
	and to recommend that the Assembly agree			
	the recommendations made in this report.			
	None.			
	NONG.			

Executive: 13.1.04	CPA Performance Indicators (DCS)	TMT	Circulation of report	Not applicable
13.1.04	This report makes recommendations about what short term actions TMT can take to improve performance on the Performance Indicators (PIs) critical to the CPA to our CPA service scores.			
	The action TMT is taking to drive performance on the Critical PIs for CPA  The Exercise of the Little Control of the Cont			
	The Executive is asked to agree: -			
	<ul> <li>To support that this emphasis on improved performance across the critical basket of CPA Performance Indicators</li> </ul>			
	None.			
Executive:	Town Show and Event Funding (DLES)	Internal:	Consultation on draft report	Not applicable
13.1.04	To report back in accordance with the Executive's instructions.	DF - Head of Corporate Finance		
	None.	CS - Head of Corporate Communications		
		DLES - Head of Finance		
		DEAL - Head of Arts		

Executive: 20.1.04	London Road / North Street Planning Brief and development options :	External:	Letters / Leaflets / Meetings	Abbey
(24.12.03)	Community (DLES/DHH)	Local stakeholders including:	Meetings	
	The report asks Members to agree a	<ul> <li>Local residents,</li> </ul>		
	development brief for the London Road/ North Street area. The brief highlights all the	<ul> <li>Local businesses,</li> </ul>		
	essential issues that need to be addressed in	<ul> <li>Landowners</li> </ul>		
	any redevelopment. It sets out:	<ul> <li>Potential investors</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>The relevant UDP policies and other policies applicable;</li> </ul>	Statutory bodies including:		
	Design guidance to achieve a sustainable	The Police		
	urban environment of high quality for Barking; and	Greater London     Assembly		
	<ul> <li>Appropriate land uses, design principles, future circulation patterns etc</li> </ul>	London Development     Agency		
	The report also sets out a detailed	Environment Agency		
	consultation strategy for the involvement of the existing tenants in deciding development	Internal		
	options for the site.	Regeneration Board		
	None.			

Executive:	Capital Programme 2004/05 Additional	Internal:	Circulation of draft report	Abbey;
20.1.04	Scheme Expansion of the Borough's CCTV			Longbridge;
	coverage (DLES)	DLES - Finance		
		DLES - Capital Programme		
	To report to the Executive on the result of crime data analysis to determine the priority	Management Office		
	for CCTV expansion and utilise a capital receipt for this purpose. This arose from the	CS - Community Safety		
	report agreeing to the retention of a capital	DF - Management		
	receipt for the sale of land adjoining St	Accountant		
	Albans Church, Urswick Road, Dagenham.			
	The Executive will be asked if it wishes to amend the 2004/05 Capital Programme to include a scheme to expand CCTV coverage			
	of Barking Town Centre.			
	None.			

Executive: 20.1.04	Barking Regeneration Partnership (DHH)  The report will list the individual projects and give an indication of likely timescales, costs (where known), partners and risks.  The Executive will be asked to agree the Barking Town Centre Framework Programme for delivery of regeneration studies, strategies and physical projects.  The report also informs the Executive of the proposal to form a partnership with regional and central Government agencies  None.	Internal:  Ward Members and members of the Barking Town Centre Partnership.  DHH  Regeneration Board	Briefing note following Executive.	Abbey; Gascoigne; Thames;
Executive: 20.1.04	Guide to the Housing Allocation Policy (DHH)  Executive is asked to agree detailed policy recommendations in respect of More Choice In Lettings. The Authority must public explanatory guidance that explains the allocation policy that explains the allocation scheme to the public and acts as the basis for the procedures adopted. This report will present the new guidance and ask members to agree the detailed changes to existing policies.  None.	Allocations staff Management Team	Meetings	Not applicable

Executive: 20.1.04	Future Management of Garages (DHH)  The report suggests proposals to change the current policy on letting and management of garages:  1) Members are asked to agree rental for certain garages. 2) Members consider relaxing usage conditions of garages 3) Members agree to continuation of ring fencing garage rental income 4) Members agree to a rent increase 5) Members agree to setting up a cleaning team 6) Members agree the targets set in the report.  None.	Director of Finance and Director of Leisure Services have been consulted.  6 CHP Boards	Draft report has been circulated for comments	All Wards
Executive: 20.1.04	Disposal Programme (DLES)  To present for approval the next tranche of properties for sale.  None.	The Management Team and appropriate Chief Officers and Heads of Services in land holding departments	Circulation of draft report	All Wards

Executive: 20.1.04	Capital Programme - Realignment of Funding for 2003/04 (DLES)  The report outlines the need for re-profiling of the 2003/04 Capital Programme as a result of the need to re timetable individual projects.  The Executive will be asked agree the reprofiling of a number of projects across individual departments Capital Programmes for 2003/04 financial year  None.	Internal:  All Chief Officers Heads Finance for all individual departments	Circulation of draft report	Not applicable
Executive: 20.1.04	<ul> <li>Asbestos Management in Non Domestic Properties: Financial (DLES)</li> <li>To agree the corporate strategy for the management of asbestos in non-domestic dwellings and the action necessary to ensure safe working practices and environment for Council staff and contractors.</li> <li>Agree funding allocation of resources to meet management requirements of the CAW Regulations 2002.</li> </ul> None.	Internal: The Management Team	Circulation of draft report	Not applicable

Executive: 20.1.04	Revised Axe Street Planning Brief (DLES)  The report follows on from the Town Square Phases 1 and 2, Draft Planning Brief approved by the Committee on 9 September 2003. This report seeks approval for the revised Planning Brief to be formally adopted by the Council to ensure that any redevelopment proposals linked to Axe Street takes into consideration the document and its specified requirements.  The Executive will be asked:  To approve the revised Planning Brief that takes into consideration the comments made by local residents, local business and statutory bodies  To formally adopt the revised Planning Brief as Supplementary Planning Guidance  None.	External: Conducted between 10 September to 10 October 2003, comments or opinions given have been included in the revised Planning Brief.  Local residents Businesses Statutory bodies Greater London Assembly London Development Agency  Internal: Regeneration Board	Consultation occurred through the post in the form of a letter, copies of the Draft Planning Brief were sent to statutory bodies and residents / businesses who requested them. Translations were also made available.	Abbey; Gascoigne;
Executive: 20.1.04	Proposed New Fencing Standards (DLES)  The Executive will be asked to agree the new fencing standards policy for the Borough and to consider a range of designs for fencing for various locations, and best practice to improve the environment of the Borough.  None.	Internal:  All Chief Officers and Asset Managers of Finance of all Land Holding Departments	Circulation of report.	All Wards

Executive: 20.1.04	Land in Abbey Road - Relocation of the Canoe Club (DLES)  To report back in accordance with Executive Minute 385, 8 April 2003.  None.	Internal  DLES - Property Services  DLES - Planning	Circulation of draft report	Gascoigne
Executive: 20.1.04	Calculation and Setting of the Council Tax Base 2004/05: Framework (DF)  The Executive to recommend to the Assembly the Council Tax Base for 2004/05  Annually the Council has to statutorily approve its Council Tax Base so that it is in a position to set a Council Tax for the following year.  None.	Internal:  DF DF - Heads of Finance for individual departments DF - Head of Revenue	Through internal communication.	Not applicable
Executive: 20.1.04	Final Report of the Health and Social Care Partnership Arrangements Scrutiny Panel (DCS)  The report will outline the findings and recommendations of the Health and Social Care Partnership Arrangements Scrutiny Panel.  The Executive will be asked for any comments before recommending the Assembly to agree the findings of the Scrutiny Panel None.	Not for Consultation	Not Applicable	Not applicable

Executive:	Revised Estimates 2003/04 & Base Revised	Internal:	Circulation and meetings	Not applicable
27.1.04	Estimates 2004/05 (DF)			
(9.1.04)	The Executive will be asked to approve the Council's Revised Estimates for 2003/04 and Base Estimates for 2004/05.	All Chief Officers Heads of Finance for individual departments		
	Approval is needed for the Departmental budgets for the revised position in 2003/04 and as a base for 2004/05.			
	None.			

Executive: 27.1.04	Vision for Leisure : Community (DLES)	Internal:	Consultation on draft report.	All Wards
	The Executive will be asked to give initial consideration to the principles of the future of	DHH		
	the Council's leisure services.	DLES - Finance DLES - Planning Services		
	The Executive will be asked to consider the business case, Capital implications and long-term management options for the Leisure Centres.	(Strategic)		
	Reports by McAlpine, Thorpe and Warrier (consultants employed by the Council to investigate the options) entitled - Future Funding of Barking and Dagenham Leisure Services			
	Comparison of Long Term Costs of Renovating and Maintaining the Council's Indoor Leisure Centres Under Different Management and Funding Scenarios			
	None.			
Executive: 27.1.04	Harts Lane & Whiting Avenue Estates - Remediation Options Consultation (DHH)  The Executive will be asked to decide on their chosen option/s for remediation to be taken to residents for consultation.  None.	Internal:  All Chief Officers  DHH - Environmental Protection Team DHH - Staff  External:	Meetings, briefings and electronically.	Abbey
		Environment Agency		

Executive: 27.1.04	Housing Revenue Account Estimates and Rent Levels 2004-05 (DHH)  The Executive will be asked to agree the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Estimates and Rent Levels for 2004-05.  The estimates for the ring fenced HRA and the proposed rent levels for Council tenants need to be approved by Members every financial year. They have been produced in accordance with ODPM guidelines and normal Barking & Dagenham financial procedures  None.	Tenants Lead Member for Housing	A leaflet produced by ODPM setting out the new methodology for determining rents will be sent to all tenants.	All Wards
Executive: 27.1.04	Barking Town Square: Position Statement (DLES)  This report covers the current progress with regard to Barking Town Square redevelopment and Barking Lifelong Learning Centre.  None.	External Barking College of Technology University of East London  Internal Finance LESD Finance DEAL Planning	Meetings and correspondence  Circulation of draft report	Not applicable

Executive: 27.1.04	Dagenham Heathway Framework Plan (DLES)  The Executive will be asked to agree to release £50,000 from the capital reserves to cover the cost of preparing the Area Development Framework.  Dagenham Heathway is an important district shopping centre, which has been subject to negative development pressures in recent year. A Development Framework is required to identify development opportunities and guide future investment decisions that are likely to arise from the area's inclusion in the forthcoming Unitary Development Corporation' (UDC) area.  None.	Internal:  DLES - Planning DLES – Finance  Regeneration Board	Circulation of draft report	Alibon; River; Village;
Executive: 27.1.04	Barking Reach Company Agreements: Community (DLES)  The Executive will be asked to agree to the terms under which the Barking Reach Development Company is dissolved, the Council's land assets at Barking Reach are disposed of the English Partnerships and a new Barking Reach Company established which excludes the Council.  None.	Internal: Chief Executive Director of Finance CS - Borough Solicitor DLES - Finance DLES - Planning DLES - Property Services DLES - Regeneration Regeneration Board	Circulation of draft report	Thames

Executive: 27.1.04	Regeneration Best Value Review (DLES)  The Executive will receive a report outlining the findings of the Best Value review and action plan for the future.  None.	External Citizens Panel partners & key stakeholders  Internal Members TMT Officers Staff side representatives.	The draft will be circulated for comment to TMT.  The findings of the review will be further developed at a Challenge event in September 2003 involving Members, officers and external partners	All Wards
Executive: 27.1.04	Building Schools for the Future: Financial (DEAL)  The DfES has recently announced the way that it intends to fund the re-development and re-building programme for secondary schools for the future. This will be by its new initiative - Building Schools for the Future. They are committing to a programme of re-building and renewal to ensure that secondary education in every part of England has facilities of 21 <sup>st</sup> century standards. The programme involves LEAs in grouping schools in geographical areas that can be packaged into viable procurement deals of between £50m and £150m. It could involve cross boundary groups or whole LEAs. Funding for development and re-building programme will be either via PFI or Targeted Capital funding.	Internal: The Management Team  DEAL - Heads of Services DEAL - Headteachers Trade Unions  External:  DfES	Meetings, Focus Groups, Written Correspondence	All Wards

Executive: 27.1.04	Best Value Review of Procurement (DCS)	Internal:	The public was consulted through 2 Citizens' Panel	Not applicable
27.1.01	During 2003 the Council carried out a Best	Members	Focus Groups. Officers	
	Value Review of Procurement to consider how well equipped Barking and Dagenham is	The Management Team	and suppliers were surveyed and focus groups	
	to procure efficiently and effectively. The report contains the findings of the review and makes recommendations for improvement	External:	held with Members.	
	(the Best Value Improvement Plan) for	Members of the public		
	agreement by the Council.	Improvement and Development Agency		
	None.	Existing and potential suppliers		
Executive: 27.1.04	Extension of Joint LCSG Contract for Computer Consumables 2002/2004: Pre	Internal:	Circulation of draft report.	Not applicable
	Tender Packaging (DLES)	DLES - Finance		
	The Executive will be asked to approve a recommendation to award the contract to the recommended supplier/suppliers for the Supply of Computer Consumables which is operated as a joint contract with the London Contracts & Supplies Group, lead by LB Ealing.	CS - Corporate Procurement Officer		
	None.			

Assembly:	Community Empowerment and Engagement	External	Postal questionnaire	Not applicable
4.2.04	Policy Commission (DCS)	Attendees of recent	,	
(16.1.04)		Community Forums	Invitations to Policy	
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	ensure that all members of the community	Equality Council)		
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	community empowerment and			
	engagement.			
	The Assembly will be asked to agree the			
	recommendations made in this report.			
	None.			

Assembly: 4.2.04	Final Report of the Health and Social Care Partnership Arrangements Scrutiny Panel (DCS)  The report will outline the findings and recommendations of the Health and Social Care Partnership Arrangements Scrutiny Panel.  The Assembly will be asked to agree the findings of the Scrutiny Panel None.	Not for Consultation	Not Applicable	Not applicable
Assembly: 4.2.04	Calculation and Setting of the Council Tax Base 2004/05: Framework (DF)  The Assembly will be asked to approve the Council Tax Base for 2004/05.  Annually the Council has to statutorily approve its Council Tax Base so that it is in a position to set a Council Tax for the following year.  None.	Internal:  DF DF - Heads of Finance for individual departments DF - Head of Revenue	Through internal communication	Not applicable

Assembly: 4.2.04	Petition – Edgefield Avenue (DLES)  The Petition refers to the increasing amount of rubbish in the area and poorly located refuse bin compounds in Housing Association property.  The Assembly will be asked to agree the recommendations following the investigations made by Officers and discussions held in accordance with Article Two (paragraph 16) of the Constitution.  None.	Lead Petitioners Lead Member – Street Scene Longbridge Ward Councillors	Meetings (as required by Article Two (paragraph 16) of the Constitution).	Longbridge
Executive: 10.2.04 (23.1.04)	Goresbrook Road - Barking Rugby Club (DLES)  The Executive will be asked to consider the future use of land in Goresbrook Road.  In the light of the development of land at Castle Green for a new school, in particular to consider an application from Barking rugby Club for additional sports pitches  None.	LESD Other Departments Legal services External	Circulation of draft report	Goresbrook; Thames;

Executive: 10.2.04	Fees and Charges: Births, Deaths and Marriage Registration Service (DLES)  Report reviewing changes in charges in accordance with Executive minute 329, 11 March 2003.  None.	Internal:  DLES - Finance	Circulation of Draft Report	All Wards
Executive: 10.2.04	Fees and Charges: Collection of Trade and Other Waste, Emptying of Cesspools, Vehicle Crossings and MOT's (DLES)  The Executive will receive a report reviewing the changes in the charges.  None.	Internal: DLES - Finance	Circulation of Draft Report	All Wards
Executive: 10.2.04	Fees and Charges: Barking Town Centre Market Charges (DLES)  The Executive will receive a report reviewing the changes in the charges.  None.	Internal:  DLES - Finance  External:  Stakeholders	Circulation of Draft Report	Abbey

Executive: 10.2.04	Fees and Charges: Leisure and Amenities (DLES)	Internal:	Internal:	All Wards
	The Executive will receive a report reviewing	DLES - Finance  External:	Circulation of Draft Report  External:	
	the changes in the charges.	External.	External.	
	None.	Stakeholders	Meetings with stakeholders, Leisure Centre Service Providers and appropriate clubs on licence conditions	
Executive: 10.2.04	Fees and Charges: Planning Post Search and Other Enquiry Charges (DLES)	Internal:  DLES - Finance	Circulation of Draft Report	All Wards
	The Executive will receive a report reviewing the changes in the charges.			
	None.			
Executive: 10.2.04	Fees and Charges: Births, Deaths and Marriage Registration Service (DLES)	Internal:	Circulation of Draft Report	All Wards
	The Executive will receive a report reviewing the changes in the charges.	DLES - Finance		
	None.			

Executive:	Eastbrookend Country Park- Local Nature	English Nature	By written correspondence/	Eastbrook
10.2.04	Reserve Designation (DLES)		notices.	
10.2.04	Reserve Designation (DLES)  Approval is required to designate Eastbrookend Country Park as a Local Nature Reserve (LNR) under the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949. This is one of the targets set under the Local Public Service Agreement- 74 hectares to be designated in 2003/04.  Designation will increase the hectare of land as LNR's in the Borough to 122 hectares (which currently includes the Chase Local Nature Reserve- 48 hectares). It will also allow the Borough to access funds from English Nature, and contribute towards the Community priorities of Cleaner, Greener and	General public will be notified, as required under the Act by Public Notice(s) in newspapers and on site.	notices.	
	Safer and Raising general pride in the Borough.  Further sites for designation as LNR's will be submitted for approval to the Executive in			
	2004-06.  None.			

Executive: 10.2.04	Variation In Local Terms and Conditions of Employment in Relation to Industrial Injury and Sickness Pay (DLES)  The Executive will be asked to agree a revised term and local condition in relation to industrial injury and sickness pay, pending the completion of the Single Status agreement.  The report will deal with current local conditions of employment in relation to sickness pay for periods of Industrial Injury and propose the removal of these and substitution of a local conditions pending the completion of Single Status.  None.	Finance LESD Planning Corporate HR	Circulation of draft report	Not applicable
Executive: 10.2.04	Revenues Staffing Review (DF)  The Executive will be asked to approve the staffing restructure in Revenue Services.  A growth item was put in the budget for staffing in the Revenue Service, this report will formalise the detail of that growth item.  None.	Internal: The Management Team Heads of Service Staff representatives and Trade Unions	Through meetings	Not applicable

Executive: 10.2.04	At its meeting of 18 December 2002, the Scrutiny Management Board (SMB) received a report from the Director of Housing and Health in response to a suggestion by Councillor Liam Smith that the policy of trickle transfer of void houses to Stort Valley Housing Association should be reviewed in light of the Government's proposed changes to the housing capital finance rules.  The SMB agreed to set up a Scrutiny Panel to consider issues relevant to the trickle transfer programme of houses to RSLs (Registered Social Landlords) and the management services provided by RSLs to their tenants and estates. The executive will be asked for comments on the final report prior to its submission to Assembly on 7 January 2004 None.	Internal:  Scrutiny Management Board The Management Team Heads of Service  External:  Residents Housing Associations	Site visits Interviews Written requests for information	All Wards
Executive: 10.2.04	Goresbrook Interchange - Final Account : Financial (DLES)  To report to the Executive the final account for the works undertaken at the Goresbrook Interchange, including Artscape as required by the Contract Rules 14.3 in the Council's Constitution.  None.	Robert Cooper, Finance LESD Paul Pearson, Finance DEAL Tony Freeman, Regeneration Finance, FD Jane Hargreaves, DEAL Peter Wright, Head of Planning Mike Mitchel, Head of Environmental Management	Circulation of draft report	Goresbrook; Thames;

Executive: 10.2.04	Parking - Barking Town Centre (DLES)  To report to the Executive on the impact on parking revenue of the various redevelopments occurring in Barking Town Centre. To seek the Executive's instructions, particularly with regard to the financial issues.  To consider the actions needed and funding issues as a result of reduction in parking provision in Barking Town Centre.  None.	Internal:  DLES - Finance DLES - Planning	Circulation of draft report	Abbey
Executive: 24.2.04 (6.2.04)	The Council's Budget 2004/05 to 2006/07: Framework (DF)  Members' will be asked to: recommend to the Assemble the level of Council Tax for 2004/05; the Capital Programme for 2004 / 2005; approve the borrowing limits for 2004 / 2005 and Budget Strategy for future years.  Each year the Council has to consider the level of Council Tax, taking into account spending levels and resources available. Additionally it has to set a Capital Programme and a Budget Strategy for future years.  None.	Internal: The Management Team	Circulation and meetings	All Wards

Executive:	PERFORMANCE MONITORING 3rd quarter	Internal:	Performance Monitoring	Not applicable
24.2.04	and end of year projections	Departments	process	
	Performance Monitoring (DCS)	Performance Monitoring Contact Officers		
	Budget Monitoring (DF)			
	Capital Programme Management (DLES)			
	Performance Monitoring Graphs			
Assembly:	The Council's Budget 2004/05 to 2006/07 :	Internal:	Circulation and meetings	All Wards
3.3.04	Framework (DF)	internal.	Circulation and meetings	All Walus
(13.2.04)	, ,	The Management Team		
	Assembly will be asked to approve; Revenue estimates for 2003/04 and Revenue estimates for 2004/05; Capital Programme; level of Council Tax and Budget Strategy for			

None.

Each year the Council has to consider the level of Council Tax, taking into account

budget strategy for future years.

spending levels and resources available. Also to decide on a Capital Programme and a

Assembly:	Petition: Stanhope Road Traffic Issues	Internal:	Meetings (as required by	Heath;
3.3.04	(DLES)		Article Two (paragraph 16)	Valence;
		Lead Member: Cllr	of the Constitution).	
	The Petition is asking the Council to provide	McKenzie		
	speed restrictions.	Valence and Heath Ward		
		Members: Cllrs Mrs Bruce,		
	The Executive will be asked to agree the	Mrs Cridland, Fairbrass,		
	recommendations following the investigations	Kallar, B Osborn and C		
	made by Officers and discussions held in	Osborn.		
	accordance with Article Two (paragraph 16)			
	of the Constitution.	Finance LESD		
	None.	External:		
		Lead Petitioner		
Assembly:	Petition - Regarding Councils Decision on	External	Meetings (as required by	Not applicable
3.3.04	Community Halls (DLES)	Lead Petitioner_	Article Two (paragraph 16)	
		-	of the Constitution.)	
	To report, in accordance with the	Internal	,	
	Constitution, to the Assembly on the receipt		Meetings (as required by	
	of a petition in relation to the future	Members:	Article Two (paragraph 16)	
	management of community halls . The	Lead Members Cllrs Wade	of the Constitution and	
	petition is asking the Council to reconsider it's	Leader Cllr Fairbrass	Circulation of draft report.	
	decision on the future management of the			
	halls	Officers:		
		LESD		
	The Assembly will be asked to agree the	Finance		
	recommendations following discussions held	Head of Regeneration		
	in accordance with Article Two (paragraph			
	16) of the Constitution.	Director of Corporate		
		Strategy		
	None.			

Executive: 9.3.04	Passenger Transport Service (DLES)	Internal:	Circulation of draft report	Not applicable
(20.2.04)	The Executive will be asked to concur with the inter-departmental reorganisation and	DSS		
	transfer of staff.	DEAL		
	This is a joint report between DEAL and DLES.	Workforce and Trade Unions		
	None.			
Executive: 9.3.04	Disposal Programme (DLES)	Internal:	Circulation of draft report	All Wards
	To report the current position regarding the planned disposal programme and the effect on the Capital Programme.	The Management Team and appropriate Chief Officers and Heads of Services in land holding		
	None.	departments.		
Executive: 9.3.04	Term Contract for Catering Equipment Servicing and Repairs (DLES)	Internal DLES	Circulation of draft reports	Not applicable
	Term contract for Catering Equipment Servicing and Repairs (DLES)	DEAL DSS		
	The Executive will be asked to approve a new five year term contract.	Finance LESD Corporate Procurement Officer		
	None.			

Executive:	Climate Change Strategy (DLES)	Internal:	The strategy document	All Wards
9.3.04	The Executive will be asked to agree the draft Climate Change Strategy, which deals with the reduction of Greenhouse gases by 2010 in line with Central Government Policy, for London Borough of Barking and Dagenham.  None.	Overall consultation on principle design and layouts.  DHH - Health and Consumer Services  DLES - Technical and Operational Services  All other departments represented via the Environmental Sustainability Steering Group	sets out the framework for consultation within the local community, council departments and specialist interest groups.	
		External:		
		ADSM (Engineering Sustainability Consultancy) working with the Council on the development of the draft strategy.		

Executive: 9.3.04	Estate Management and Parade Analysis (DLES)  Report back to Executive in accordance with Assembly Minute 53, 8 January 2003 Re: Report on Petition Arising from User Clause Dispute - Stansgate Road Dagenham  The Executive will be asked to approve a change in policy for letting of the Council's shops and other commercial properties.  None.	Internal:  DLES - Finance  DHH	Circulation of draft report.	All Wards
Executive: 9.3.04	Barking Football Club Lease (DLES)  To report on the result of negotiations and the proposals for the wall and protection of the trees.  The Executive will be asked to agree the alternative proposals and new lease terms.  None.	Internal:  DLES - Property Services DLES - Finance  CS - Democratic Services	Internal	Mayesbrook
Executive: 9.3.04	City Farm (DLES)  The Executive will be asked to potential long-term financial commitment and risks for the Council, for which finance has not been set aside and therefore the decision is reserved to the Executive.  None.	Internal: CS - Legal Services DLES - Finance	Circulation of Draft Report	Thames

Executive:	Education Development Plan : Framework	Internal:	Annual update and input	Not applicable
30.3.04	[Annual Item] (DEAL)		from schools via meetings.	
(12.3.04)		DEAL - Schools		
,	This will be the annual update of the 2002 - 2007 EDP for 2004 / 2005 and it outlines how	DEAL - Governors	Input from DfES via annual stock-take meeting.	
	the Council will continue its drive for school improvement	DSS		
		External:		
	None.			
		Diocese		
		Other Education Providers		
Executive: 30.3.04	Name Change for Dagenham Priory School : Community (DEAL)	Internal:	By a competition with the pupils in the school to	River
	, ,	DEAL - Dagenham Priory	suggest names.	
	Dagenham Priory Secondary School and Arts	School, in particular the		
	College is looking to change its name and to reflect its role as a community based school.	children and Governors		
	<b>,</b>	External:		
	None.			
		Local people		

Executive: 30.3.04	Joint LCSG Contract for Supply of Copier Paper (DLES)  The Executive will be asked for approval to use the joint contract for the supply of copier and other papers.  This is a joint contract operated by the London Contracts & Supplies Group (LCSG being an accredited procurement group for procurement officers from London Boroughs and similar public bodies in London). This contract was previously lead by the London Borough of Haringey who carried out the contracting with input from participating boroughs. They have not renewed the process and this will now probably be lead by LB Barking & Dagenham.  This is a framework contract for call off for frequently purchased items for stock at Central Stores as required.  None.	External: London Contracts & Supplies Group members (All London Boroughs plus London based charities, universities and publicly funded bodies)  Internal: DLES - Finance CS - Corporate Procurement Officer Head of IS & T	Contract Meetings	Not applicable
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Assembly:	Housing Associations Scrutiny Panel (DCS)	Internal:	Site visits	All Wards
<b>7.4.04</b> (22.3.04)	At its meeting of 18 December 2002, the Scrutiny Management Board (SMB) received a report from the Director of Housing and Health in response to a suggestion by Councillor Liam Smith that the policy of trickle transfer of void houses to Stort Valley Housing Association should be reviewed in light of the Government's proposed changes to the housing capital finance rules.  The SMB agreed to set up a Scrutiny Panel to consider issues relevant to the trickle transfer programme of houses to RSLs (Registered Social Landlords) and the management services provided by RSLs to their tenants and estates.  The Assembly will be asked to agree the recommendations of this Scrutiny Panel <i>None</i> .	Scrutiny Management Board The Management Team Heads of Service  External:  Residents Housing Associations	Interviews Written requests for information	

Executive: 13.4.04 (26.3.04)	Children's Centre Strategy: Community (DEAL)  The Executive will be asked to agree the proposals for the Borough's Children Centre Plan which is due to be submitted to DfES on October 15 2003.  Five children's centres need to be created by 2006 in order to meet the Government's requirements. The Aim is to bring together all the key public and voluntary services that promote the well being of young children, and to make them as accessible as possible through taking a locally based, integrated, child focused approach to service delivery.  None.	Internal: Social Services  External:  EYDCP Early Years Providers Children's Centres Strategy Group	Meetings	Not applicable
Executive: 13.4.04	Supply of Refuse Sacks and Plastic Bags (DLES)  The Executive will be asked to approve a recommendation to award the contract to the recommended supplier/suppliers for the Supply of Refuse Sacks and Plastic Bags.  Plastic sacks for issue to residents for disposal of rubbish and a different type for use within public buildings and schools for daily rubbish disposal. All materials to be purchased for stock in Central Stores on a framework agreement as required.  None.	External: Stakeholders	Circulation of draft report	Not applicable

Executive:	Alcohol Advisory Service (DLES)	Internal:	Circulation of draft report	Not applicable
20.7.04				
(2.7.04)	As required by Executive Minute 432, 29 April	DLES		
	2003, the Executive will be asked to agree:	D00		
		DSS		
	<ul> <li>Suitable alternative locations for the Alcohol Advisory Service.</li> </ul>	DEAL		
	<ul> <li>The reasons for future support of the service.</li> </ul>			
	None.			

## **APPENDIX A**

## MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

All 51 Councillors are Members of the Assembly. Councillors marked with an asterisk (\*) are also Members of the Executive.

Councillor Alexander\* Councillor Huggins Councillor Ms Baker Councillor Mrs Hunt **Councillor Barns** Councillor Jamu Councillor Best Councillor Jeyes Councillor Mrs Blake Councillor Jones Councillor Justice Councillor Mrs Bradley Councillor Kallar\* Councillor Bramley\* Councillor Mrs Bruce Councillor Little Councillor Challis Councillor McCarthy Councillor Clark Councillor McKenzie\* Councillor H. Collins Councillor Miles Councillor L. Collins Councillor O'Brien Councillor Osborn\* Councillor Mrs Convard Councillor Cook Councillor Mrs Osborn Councillor Cooper Councillor Parkin Councillor Mrs Cooper Councillor Porter\*

Councillor Mrs Cridland
Councillor Mrs Rawlinson
Councillor Curtis
Councillor Dale
Councillor Davis
Councillor Denyer
Councillor Denyer
Councillor Egirbrase\*
Councillor Mrs Rawlinson
Councillor Mrs Rush
Councillor Smith\*
Councillor Thomas
Councillor Mrs Twomey
Councillor Fairbrase\*

Councillor Fairbrass\*
Councillor Fani
Councillor Mrs Flint
Councillor Geddes\*
Councillor Gibbs

Councillor Gibbs

Councillor Wade\*
Councillor Wainwright
Councillor Waker
Councillor Gibbs