Somerset County Council Forward Plan of proposed Key Decisions

The County Council is required to set out details of planned key decisions at least 28 calendar days before they are due to be taken. This forward plan sets out key decisions to be taken at Cabinet meetings as well as individual key decisions to be taken by either the Leader, a Cabinet Member or an Officer. The very latest details can always be found on our website at:

http://democracy.somerset.gov.uk/mgListPlans.aspx?RPId=134&RD=0&FD=1&bcr=1

Regulation 8 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 defines a key decision as an executive decision which is likely:

(a) to result in the relevant local authority incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the relevant local authority's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or

(b) to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the relevant local authority.

The Council has decided that the relevant threshold at or above which the decision is significant will be £500,000 for capital / revenue expenditure or savings. Money delegated to schools as part of the Scheme of Financial Management of Schools exercise is exempt from these thresholds once it is delegated to the school.

Cabinet meetings are held in public at County Hall unless Cabinet resolve for all or part of the meeting to be held in private in order to consider exempt information/confidential business. The Forward Plan will show where this is intended. Agendas and reports for Cabinet meetings are also published on the Council's website at least five clear working days before the meeting date.

Individual key decisions that are shown in the plan as being proposed to be taken "not before" a date will be taken within a month of that date, with the requirement that a report setting out the proposed decision will be published on the Council's website at least five working days before the date of decision. Any representations received will be considered by the decision maker at the decision meeting.

In addition to key decisions, the forward plan shown below lists other business that is scheduled to be considered at a Cabinet meeting during the period of the Plan, which will also include reports for information. The monthly printed plan is updated on an ad hoc basis during each month. *Where possible the County Council will attempt to keep to the dates shown in the Plan. It is quite likely, however, that some items will need to be rescheduled and new items added as new circumstances come to light.* Please ensure therefore that you refer to the most up to date plan.

For general enquiries about the Forward Plan:

- You can view it on the County Council web site at http://democracy.somerset.gov.uk/mgListPlans.aspx?RPId=134&RD=0&FD=1&bcr=1
- You can arrange to inspect it at County Hall (in Taunton).
- Alternatively, copies can be obtained from Scott Wooldridge or Michael Bryant in the Democratic Services Team by telephoning (01823) 357628 or 359500.

To view the Forward Plan on the website you will need a copy of Adobe Acrobat Reader available free from www.adobe.com Please note that it could take up to 2 minutes to download this PDF document depending on your Internet connection speed.

To make representations about proposed decisions:

Please contact the officer identified against the relevant decision in the Forward Plan to find out more information or about how your representations can be made and considered by the decision maker.

The Agenda and Papers for Cabinet meetings can be found on the County Council's website at: <u>http://democracy.somerset.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?Cld=134&Year=0</u>

FP Refs	Decision Date/Maker	Details of the proposed decision	Documents and background papers to be available to decision maker	Does the decision contain any exempt information requiring it to be considered in private?	Contact Officer for any representations to be made ahead of the proposed decision
FP/19/01/07 First published: 22 January 2019	20 Feb 2019 Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care	Issue: Adult Social Care Fees and Charges 2019-20 Decision: Cabinet Member to agree the Adult Social Care Fees and Charges for 2019-20 including provider fee levels	Adult Social Care Fees and Charges 2019-20 Appendix A		Tim Baverstock, Strategic Commissioning Manager - Strategic Commissioning
FP/18/12/08 First published: 18 December 2018	Not before 25th Feb 2019 Cabinet Member for Children and Families	Issue: Decision to extend contracts for Pathway to Independence (P2i) service for young people in Somerset Decision:	P2i Contract Extension Key Decision Feb19 150219		Rowina Clift-Shanley, Senior Programme Manager , Business Change
FP/18/10/03 First published: 23 October 2018	Not before 11th Mar 2019 Cabinet Member for Education and Council Transformation	Issue: A change to the protocol for schools converting to a sponsored academy retaining any surplus revenue balances, and the charging for academy conversions by the authority Decision: To consider the report			Ken Rushton, Service Manager - School Finance Tel: 01823356911

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FP/18/11/11 First published: 21 November 2018	Not before 11th Mar 2019 Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care	Issue: Decision to conclude the establishment of an Open Framework Agreement for Reablement Providers in Somerset Decision: To award an open framework that will ensure continued and new supply of reablement care across the county,mirroring the current arrangement for homecare. This follows interim contractural arrangements that were put in place following the unsuccessful			Tim Baverstock, Strategic Commissioning Manager - Strategic Commissioning
FP/19/01/02 First published: 3 January 2019	Not before 11th Mar 2019 Interim Finance Director	Issue: Acceptance of European Regional Development Funding for the Heart of the South West Inward Investment Project Decision: Approval for Somerset County Council (SCC), in its capacity as the accountable body for the Heart of the South West Local Enterprise Partnership, to accept £1,181,308 of European Regional Development Funding (ERDF) for the Heart of the South West Inward Investment Project and to enter into an associated funding agreement with the Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG)			Paul Hickson, Strategic Manager - Economy and Planning Tel: 07977 400838

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FP/18/12/09 First published: 20 December 2018	Not before 11th Mar 2019 Cabinet Member for Resources	Issue: Disposal of part of of the Six Acres Day Centre site, Taunton Decision: Disposal of part of the Six Acres Day Centre site, Taunton			Charlie Field, Estates Manager, Corporate Property Tel: 01823355325
FP/18/11/10 First published: 20 November 2018	11 Mar 2019 Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Planning and Community Infrastructure, Economic and Community Infrastruture Commissioning Director	Issue: Decision to approve revisions to the Connecting Devon and Somerset phase 2 deployment contracts Decision: To approve revisions to the Connecting Devon and Somerset phase 2 deployment contracts			Nathaniel Lucas, Senior Economic Development Officer Tel: 01823359210
To apporve the appointment of a preferred contractor to proceed with a 7 classroom expansion for September 2020 First published: 12 February 2019	Not before 11th Mar 2019 Cabinet Member for Education and Council Transformation	Issue: Proposed Expansion of Willowdown Primary Academy, Bridgwater from 210 to 420 places Decision:			Elizabeth Smith, Service Manager – Schools Commissioning Tel: 01823 356260
FP/18/11/01 First published: 13 November 2018	11 Mar 2019 Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport	Issue: Decision to extend the contract for Parking Enforcement and Related Services Decision: To extend the existing contract until June 2022 with apprpirate break clauses			Steve Deakin, Parking Services Manager, Parking Services, Community and Traded Services Tel: 01823355137

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FP/19/01/12 First published: 5 February 2019	Not before 11th Mar 2019 Cabinet Member for Public Health and Wellbeing	Issue: Adoption of the Somerset Air Quality Statement Decision: To agree the adoption of the statement			Stewart Brock, Public Health Specialist, Public Health Tel: 01823357235
FP/10/01/11 First published: 5 February 2019	Not before 11th Mar 2019 Cabinet Member for Education and Council Transformation	Issue: Bridgwater College Academy Expansion - Funding Decision: To agree funding as required			Elizabeth Smith, Service Manager – Schools Commissioning Tel: 01823 356260
FP/18/06/08 First published: 19 June 2018	Not before 11th Mar 2019 Director of Commissioning and Lead Commissioner for Economic Community Infrastructure	Issue: To approve the appointment of a supplier to deliver the Wiveliscombe Enterprise Centre and Wells Technology Enterprise Centre Decision: To approve the appointment of a supplier	Key Decision Wells and Wiveliscombe		Nathaniel Lucas, Senior Economic Development Officer Tel: 01823359210
FP/18/11/09 First published: 20 November 2018	Not before 11th Mar 2019 Director of Children's Services	Issue: Framework for the delivery of Food Produce to SCC properties Decision: Decision to award contract(s) to the successful supplier(s) following a competitive procurement exercise			Simon Clifford, Customers & Communities Director Tel: 01823359166

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FP/19/01/09 First published: 29 January 2019	11 Feb 2019 Director of Adult Social Services	Issue: Award of contracts for care and support services within Extra Care Housing (ECH) Schemes in Somerset Decision: Decision to approve award of contract for care nand support services to Extra Care Housing Schemes in Somerset			Steve Veevers, Strategic Commissioning Manager Tel: 01823359155
FP/19/01/06 First published: 22 January 2019	11 Mar 2019 Cabinet	Issue: Proposal for merger of existing Children's Safeguarding Board Executive Arrangements with the Children's Trust Board Decision: Cabinet is asked to agree the merger of the two executive bodies to fulfil the new arrangements to safeguard children under the revised legislation (Working Together to Safeguard Children 2018) from October 2018			Caroline Dowson, SSCB Business Manager
FP/19/01/13 First published: 5 February 2019	11 Mar 2019 Cabinet	Issue: Social Value Policy Statement Refresh Decision: To agree a refreshed Social Value Poliy Statement to guide the social value priorities if the council			Vikki Hearn, Strategic Manager - Commissioning Development
FP/19/02/04 First published: 21 February 2019	11 Mar 2019 Cabinet	Issue: Month 10 Revenue Budget Monitoring Decision: To consider this report			Interim Finance Director

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FP/18/07/05 First published: 17 July 2018	11 Mar 2019 Cabinet	Issue: Equality Objectives 2019 - 2023 and Equality Commitment Decision: Asking Cabinet to agree a new set of Equality Objectives for 2019 - 2023 and the new Equality Commitment			Tom Rutland Tel: 01823 359221
FP/19/01/10 First published: 29 January 2019	11 Mar 2019 Cabinet	Issue: Somerset Rivers Authority (SRA) Enhanced Programme of Flood Risk Management Works and the SRA Memorandum and Understanding of Constitution Decision: As SCC is the accountable body for the SRA the Cabinet is asked to approve the allocation of funds raised through an additional notional amount of Council Tax, for use by the SRA in 2019-20. The Cabinet is also asked to agree forward funding of SRA works in advance of recouping costs from a Heart of the SW Local Enterprise Partnership Growth Deal allocation. Also review the 2019/20 MOU and approve for signing by the Cabinet Member for Resources and Economic Development			David Mitchell, Technical Lead: Projects and Studies, Transport Policy Tel: 01823356789
FP/18/12/04 First published: 10 December 2018	11 Mar 2019 Cabinet	Issue: Award of Contract Bridgwater Special School Decision: To consider the report			Phil Curd, Service Manager: Specialist Provision and School Transport Tel: 01823 355165

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FP/19/02/06 First published:	26 Mar 2019 Cabinet Member for Children and Families	Issue: The School Building Condition Programme Decision: The Cabinet Member authorises appropirate officers under delegation to commission and deliver the School Building Condition programme within the allocation of capital funds for 2019/20 as approved by full Council on the 21 February 2019			Paula Hewitt, Director of Commissioning for Economic amd Community Infrastructure Tel: 01823 359011
FP/19/02/06 First published:	26 Mar 2019 Cabinet Member for Education and Council Transformation, Director of Commissioning and Lead Commissioner for Economic Community Infrastructure	Issue: Creation of a new Academy in Somerset Decision: Chilton Trinity			Elizabeth Smith, Service Manager – Schools Commissioning Tel: 01823 356260
FP/18/12/01 First published: 4 December 2018	Not before 13th Mar 2019 Cabinet Member for Education and Council Transformation, Director of Commissioning and Lead Commissioner for Economic Community Infrastructure	Issue: Creation of New Academies in Somerset Decision: Brent Knoll Church of England Primary School; Charlton Horethorne Church of England Primary School; North Cadbury C of E Primary School; Pawlett Primary School			Elizabeth Smith, Service Manager – Schools Commissioning Tel: 01823 356260

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FP/18/03/04 First published: 12 March 2018	Not before 13th Mar 2019 Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport	Issue: Procurement for the construction of traffic signals improvements at the Rowbarton junction in Taunton Decision: To commence the process to secure a contractor to deliver the scheme to improve the traffic signals at Rowbarton juntion in Taunton			Sunita Mills, Service Commissioning Manager Tel: 01823 359763
FP/18/02/08 First published: 13 February 2018	Not before 18th Mar 2019 Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport	Issue: Taunton Transport Strategy Decision: To agree to adopt the joint (with TDBC) Taunton Transport Strategy			Lucy Bath Tel: 01823 359465
FP/19/02/03 First published: 19 February 2019	Not before 21st Mar 2019 Cabinet Member for Children and Families	Issue: Early Years Block - Early Years Single Funding Formula (EYSFF) 2019/20 Decision: The base rate for EYSFFfor 2019/20 for 3 and 4 year olds as £3.96 per child hour. The hourly rate for funded 2 year olds to remain the same as 18/19 at £504 per child per hour			Alison Jeffery
FP/19/02/01 First published: 12 February 2019	1 Apr 2019 Cabinet Member for Resources	Issue: Disposal of Two County Farms - Spring / Summer 2019 Decision: Authority to conclude negogiations for the disposal of two surplus farms and lands including those disposals to be conducted via a public auction as appropirate			Charlie Field, Estates Manager, Corporate Property Tel: 01823355325

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FP/18/12/05 First published: 10 December 2018	1 May 2019 Cabinet	Issue: The Somerset Children and Young Peoples Plan 2019-2022 Decision: The Children and Young Peoples Plan 2019-2022 is a multi- agency partnership vision for all children, young people and thier families to be happy, healthy and well- prepared for adulthood.			Philippa Granthier, Assistant Director - Commissioning and Performance, Children's Services Commissioning Tel: 01823 359054
FP/18/04/06 First published: 30 April 2018	Not before 3rd Jun 2019 Director of Commissioning and Lead Commissioner for Economic Community Infrastructure	Issue: Procurement of the HotSW Growth Hub Service Decision: To undertake the procurement of a Business Support Service (Growth Hub) on behalf of the HotSW LEP			Melanie Roberts, Service Manager - Economic Policy Tel: 01823359209