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: http://democracy.somerset.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?Cld=134&Year=0

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/17/08/01 First published: 9 August 2017	17 Jul 2018 Cabinet Member for Resources and Economic Development	Issue: Disposal of Surplus Land at Castle Cary Decision: Authority to conclude negotiations for the disposal of surplus (former) farm land (13 acres, land only) at Castle Cary. Authority to conclude negotiations for the disposal of surplus (former) farm land (13 acres, land only) at Castle Cary.	Disposal of Surplus Land Castle Cary - sale of surplus land Castle Cary Field HP ref 29.03.2012 Key Decision - Castle Cary Land Sale	Part exempt	Charlie Field, Estates Manager, Corporate Property Tel: 01823355325
FP/18/06/04 First published: 12 June 2018	9 Jul 2018 Cabinet	Issue: Formulation of a Sub-National Transport Body for the South West Peninsula Decision: To agree to become a member of a shadow sub-national transport body for the South West peninsula.			Mike O'Dowd-Jones, Strategic Commissioning Manager – Highways and Transport Tel: 01823 356238
FP/18/06/01 First published: 7 June 2018	9 Jul 2018 Cabinet	Issue: Corporate Peer Challenge Update Decision: To receive an update on management actions			Simon Clifford, Customers & Communities Director Tel: 01823359166
FP/18/03/03 First published: 11 May 2018	9 Jul 2018 Cabinet	Issue: Treasury Management End of Year Report 2017-18 Decision: That the Cabinet endorse the Treasury Management End of Year Report for 2016-17 and recommmends its approval by Full Council on 18 July 2018			Alan Sanford, Principal Investment Officer Tel: 01823 359585

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FP/18/02/09 First published: 13 February 2018	9 Jul 2018 Cabinet	Issue: Road Safety Strategy Decision: Adoption of the Road Safety Strategy			Lucy Bath Tel: 01823 359465
FP/18/04/07 First published: 30 April 2018	9 Jul 2018 Cabinet	Issue: Children and Young Peoples Plan 2016-19 - Report on progress of year 2 Decision: Report on progress of year 2 (1 April 2017 - 31 March 2018)			Director of Children's Services
FP/18/05/08 First published: 11 May 2018	9 Jul 2018 Cabinet	Issue: Revenue Budget Monitoring Report - Month 2 2018/19 Decision: To consider the report			Elizabeth Watkin, Service Manager - Chief Accountant Tel: 01823359573
FP/18/05/02 First published: 9 May 2018	9 Jul 2018 Cabinet	Issue: Decision to award contract for the provision of Somerset Specialist All Age Drug and Alcohol Treatment Service Decision: Cabinet to approve the award of contrac			Amanda Payne, Co-ordinator Somerset Drug and Alcohol Partnership, Public Healt Tel: 01823357641

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FP/08/06/03 First published: 12 June 2018	Not before 16th Jul 2018 Cabinet Member for Children and Families	Issue: Emergency Residential Stepdown Pilot Decision: To approve an 18 month pilot programme to procure emergency children's residential provision, exploring different models of delivering the service to see what works best			Louise Palmer, Strategic Commissioner
FP/18/04/05 First published: 16 April 2018	16 Jul 2018 Cabinet Member for Public Health and Wellbeing, Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport	Issue: Consultation on draft Somerset Air Quality Statement Decision: To go out to public consultation on the draft Somerset Air Quality Statement	Air Quality Cabinet Cabinet Member Key Decsion July 2018 _		Stewart Brock, Public Health Specialist, Public Health Tel: 01823357235
FP/18/06/05 First published: 19 June 2018	19 Jul 2018 Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care	Issue: Award Contracts for Tennyson Court ECH Scheme and Eliot Court Supported Living Schele Decision: The report requests approval to award two contracts for the new integrated care and support service			Steve Veevers, Strategic Commissioning Manager Tel: 01823359155
FP/18/03/06 First published: 13 March 2018	Not before 23rd Jul 2018 Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Planning and Community Infrastructure, Cabinet Member for Corporate and Community Services	Issue: Community Leisure Services Post 2019 Decision: Agree that SCC does not extend or renew the current contract for community leisure provision. Sites will be made available for disposal to the schools were possible.			Barry James, Strategic Commissioning Manager – Community Infrastructure Tel: 01823 356659

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FP/18/06/07 First published: 19 June 2018	23 Jul 2018 Cabinet Member for Children and Families	Issue: Emergency Residential Stepdown Pilot Decision: That the Cabinet Member of Children and Families approves an 18 month pilot programme to procure emergency children's residential provision			Louise Palmer, Strategic Commissioner
FP/18/02/08 First published: 13 February 2018	Not before 30th Jul 2018 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/18/04/06 First published: 30 April 2018	Not before 30th Jul 2018 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
NON-KEY DECISION First published: 28 December 2017	Not before 30th Jul 2018 Commercial & Business Services Director	Issue: Strategy for the Management of the County Farms Estate Decision: To approve the publication of the strategy for the management of the County Farms Estate in accordance with existing policies, taking into account the recommendations from Scrutiny Committee Policies & Place			Claire Lovett, Head of Property Tel: 07977412583

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FP/17/12/02 First published: 14 December 2017	Not before 30th Jul 2018 Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport	Issue: Contract for Provision of Bus Lane Enforcement Infrastructure Decision: To award the contract for the enforcement of bus lane enforcement infrastructure		Part exempt	Bev Norman, Service Manager - Traffic Management, Traffic & Transport Development Tel: 01823358089
FP/18/02/01 First published: 6 February 2018	Not before 30th Jul 2018 Director of Commissioning and Lead Commissioner for Economic Community Infrastructure, Director of Finance, Legal and Governance	Issue: Connecting Devon and Somerset (CDS) Superfast Extension Programme (SEP) Phase 2: decision to accept further grant funding and introduce additional funding into the contract for Lot 4 Decision: To accept additional grant funding from DCMS to invest in broadband intrastrucutre in Lot 4. To introduce the additional funding into the contract for Lot 4 to deliver more broadband infrastructure in that area			Katriona Lovelock, Economic Development Officer Tel: 01823 359873
FP/18/03/04 First published: 12 March 2018	Not before 30th Jul 2018 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

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FP/17/09/04 First published: 11 September 2017	Not before 30th Jul 2018 Director of Finance, Legal and Governance, Director of Commissioning and Lead Commissioner for Economic Community Infrastructure	Issue: iAero (Yeovil) Aerospace Centre (2,500 sq m) Acceptance of ERDF Funding Decision: The acceptance of the offer of ERDF funding (£3.5 million), for the iAero (Yeovi) Aerospace Centre			Lynda Madge, Commissioning Manager – Economy & Planning Tel: 01823 356766
FP/18/01/03 First published: 5 January 2018	Not before 30th Jul 2018 Cabinet Member for Children and Families	Issue: Heathfield School, Taunton - Award of Contract for the Proposed ASD Base Decision: To seek approval to award the contract for the delivery of the propose dnew base		Part exempt	Carol Bond, Project Manager, Property Programme Team Tel: 01823 355962
FP/18/04/04 First published: 16 April 2018	Not before 30th Jul 2018 Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care	Issue: Re-Provision of existing Learning Disability Service in Mendip Decision: To agree award decison for re-provision of a Learning Disability service in Mendip			Steve Veevers, Strategic Commissioning Manager Tel: 01823359155
FP/18/06/08 First published: 19 June 2018	Not before 30th Jul 2018 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			Nathaniel Lucas, Senior Economic Development Officer Tel: 01823359210

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FP/18/06/06 First published: 19 June 2018	30 Jul 2018 Director of Finance, Legal and Governance, ECI Commissioning Director	Issue: Approve the decision to proceed with the delivery of iAero (Yeovil) Centre Decision: Approve the decision to appoint the preferred major works construction contractor and to proceed with the construction of the Centre at the Council's risk			Julie Wooler, Economic Development & Strategic Tourism Officer
FP/18/06/02 First published: 12 June 2018	30 Jul 2018 Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care	Issue: Award of contract for the provision of Learning Disability Services in the Mendip area Decision: Confirm the decsision to award to a specificed provider for the contract for services previousley run by Aster Care,			Steve Veevers, Strategic Commissioning Manager Tel: 01823359155
FP/18/07/02 First published: 3 July 2018	3 Aug 2018 Cabinet Member for Children and Families, Cabinet Member for Education and Council Transformation, Economic and Community Infrastruture Commissioning Director	Issue: Creation of New Academies in Somerset Decision: King Arthur's Community School, Blackbrook School, Ruishton C of E Primary School, West Monkton C of E Primary School, Selworthy Special School			Elizabeth Smith, Service Manager – Schools Commissioning Tel: 01823 356260

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FP/18/07/03 First published: 10 July 2018	10 Aug 2018 Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Planning and Community Infrastructure	Issue: Somerset Pollinator Action Plan Decision: Agreement to the objectives set out in the Somerset Pollinator Action Plan and for the plan to become SCC policy			Simon Breeze Tel: 07832 130370
FP/18/04/08 First published: 30 April 2018	Not before 3rd Sep 2018 Commercial & Business Services Director, Cabinet Member for Children and Families	Issue: Creation of two New Academies in Somerset Decision: King Alfred School and Leigh-Upon-Mendip First School			Elizabeth Smith, Service Manager – Schools Commissioning Tel: 01823 356260
FP/18/05/01 First published: 9 May 2018	12 Sep 2018 Cabinet	Issue: Adoption of the 'Well-managed highway infrastructure' Code of Practice by Somerset County Council Decision: To agree SCC adopts the new CoP and its 'risk based' approach for the management of the highway network.			Neil Guild, Highways Asset Improvement Officer
FP/18/05/09 First published: 11 May 2018	19 Sep 2018 Cabinet	Issue: 2019/20 Medium Term Financial Plan - Development and Approach Decision: To consider the report			Elizabeth Watkin, Service Manager - Chief Accountant Tel: 01823359573

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FP/17/11/05 First published: 16 November 2017	19 Sep 2018 Cabinet	Issue: Customer Feedback Annual Reports 2017/18 Decision: Consider the annual customer feedback report and Ombudsman report for 2017/18			Rebecca Martin Tel: 01823 356257
FP/08/07/01 First published: 3 July 2018	17 Oct 2018 Cabinet	Issue: Libraries Service Redesign 2018 Decision Decision: To agree the basis of library service provision to different communities around Somerset, following on from and having regard to the public consultation exercise undertaken earlier in the year			Oliver Woodhams, Strategic Manager, Community and Traded Services Tel: 07977400667