

Scrutiny for Policies, Children and Families Committee

Friday 17 May 2019
10.00 am Library Meeting Room, Taunton Library



SUPPLEMENT TO THE AGENDA

To: The Members of the Scrutiny for Policies, Children and Families Committee

We are now able to enclose the following information which was unavailable when the agenda was published:

Item 5	Scrutiny Work Programme (Pages 3 - 20) To discuss any items for the forthcoming work programme. To assist the discussion, the following documents are attached: a) – The Cabinet’s latest published forward plan; b) – Current Work Programme for the Committee; c) – Outcome Tracker.
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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://somerset.moderngov.co.uk/mgListPlans.aspx?RPId=134&RD=0&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 are shown in the plan as being proposed to be taken within a ten day period, 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://www.somerset.gov.uk/CabinetForwardPlan>
- You can arrange to inspect it at County Hall (in Taunton).
- Alternatively, copies can be obtained from Scott Wooldridge or Julia Jones in the Community Governance Team by telephoning (01823) 359027 or 357628.

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 and details of planned key decisions to be taken by Cabinet Members or Officers can be found on the County Council's website at:

<http://www1.somerset.gov.uk/council/boards.asp?boardnum=3>

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26 March 2019	Cabinet Member for Education and Council Transformation 29 Apr 2019 To consider the report	Issue: Use of the DfE Special Provision Capital Fund Allocation	Use of DfE Special Provision Capital Fund Allocation		Phil Curd, Service Manager: Specialist Provision and School Transport Tel: 01823 355165
20 November 2018	Director of Children's Services 7 May 2019 Decision to award contract(s) to the successful supplier(s) following a competitive procurement exercise	Issue: Framework for the delivery of Food Produce to SCC properties	Award of Contract for Food Produce Decision report v2		Simon Clifford, Customers & Communities Director Tel: 01823359166
10 December 2018	Cabinet 13 May 2019 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.	Issue: The Somerset Children and Young Peoples Plan 2019-2022			Philippa Granthier, Assistant Director - Commissioning and Performance, Children's Services Commissioning Tel: 01823 359054
19 March 2019	Cabinet Not before 13th May 2019 To consider the report	Issue: County Council Business Plan 2019+			Jan Stafford, Strategic Manager - Customers & Communities Tel: 01823355010

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3 April 2019	Cabinet 13 May 2019 To consider report	Issue: Future Support Arrangements for Young Carers			Julian Wooster, Director of Children's Services Tel: 01823 359544
26 March 2019	Cabinet Member for Education and Council Transformation, Cabinet Member for Children and Families 13 May 2019 To consider this report	Issue: Delivery of Specialist Projects	Delivery of Specialist Provision Projects Report		Phil Curd, Service Manager: Specialist Provision and School Transport Tel: 01823 355165
12 February 2019	Cabinet Member for Resources 20 May 2019 Authority to conclude negotiations for the disposal of two surplus farms and lands including those disposals to be conducted via a public auction as appropriate	Issue: Disposal of Two County Farms - Spring / Summer 2019			Charlie Field, Estates Manager, Corporate Property Tel: 01823355325

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21 November 2018	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care Not before 20th May 2019 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 contractual arrangements that were put in place following the unsuccessful	Issue: Decision to conclude the establishment of an Open Framework Agreement for Reablement Providers in Somerset			Tim Baverstock, Strategic Commissioning Manager - Strategic Commissioning
20 November 2018	Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Planning and Community Infrastructure, Economic and Community Infrastructure Commissioning Director 20 May 2019 To approve revisions to the Connecting Devon and Somerset phase 2 deployment contracts	Issue: Decision to approve revisions to the Connecting Devon and Somerset phase 2 deployment contracts			Nathaniel Lucas, Senior Economic Development Officer Tel: 01823359210

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13 November 2018	Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport 20 May 2019 To extend the existing contract until June 2022 with appropriate break clauses	Issue: Decision to extend the contract for Parking Enforcement and Related Services			Steve Deakin, Parking Services Manager, Parking Services, Community and Traded Services Tel: 01823355137
5 February 2019	Cabinet Member for Education and Council Transformation Not before 20th May 2019 To agree funding as required	Issue: Bridgwater College Academy Expansion - Funding			Elizabeth Smith, Service Manager – Schools Commissioning Tel: 01823 356260

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3 January 2019	Interim Finance Director Not before 20th May 2019 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)	Issue: Acceptance of European Regional Development Funding for the Heart of the South West Inward Investment Project	Heart of the South West Inward Investment Project		Paul Hickson, Strategic Manager - Economy and Planning Tel: 07977 400838
26 March 2019	Cabinet Member for Public Health and Wellbeing Not before 20th May 2019 To consider this report	Issue: Award of the Translation and Interpretation Contracts			Tom Rutland Tel: 01823 359221

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7 May 2019	Public Health Director Not before 20th May 2019 To agree to award contracts for translation and interpretation in relation to SCC, Schools, Early Years and Polish Link Workers.	Issue: Translation and Interpretation Contract Award			Tom Rutland Tel: 01823 359221
15 April 2019	Public Health Director Not before 20th May 2019 To agree to award contracts for translation and interpretation in relation to SCC, School, Early Years and Polish Link Workers	Issue: Translation and Interpretation Contract Award			Tom Rutland Tel: 01823 359221
29 April 2019	Interim Finance Director, Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Planning and Community Infrastructure Not before 20th May 2019 To agree to accpet ERDF grant funding for the construction of the Brutin Enterprise Centre and to sign the subsequent terms and conditions of funding agreements	Issue: To accept ERDF grant funding for the Bruton Enterprise Centre and sign the subsequent terms and conditions of finding agreements	Decision allocating funding for the accelerator programme		Katriona Lovelock, Economic Development Officer Tel: 01823 359873

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29 April 2019	Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Planning and Community Infrastructure Not before 20th May 2019 To agree to appoint a supplier for the delivery of the Bruton Enterprise Centre	Issue: Decision to appoint a contractor from a framework for the delivery of the Bruton Enterprise Centre			Katriona Lovelock, Economic Development Officer Tel: 01823 359873
7 May 2019	Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Planning and Community Infrastructure 24 Jun 2019 To agree to accept the ERDF grant funding	Issue: Decision to accept ERDF grant funding for the Bruton Enterprise Centre and sign the subsequent terms and conditions of funding agreements			Katriona Lovelock, Economic Development Officer Tel: 01823 359873
7 May 2019	Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Planning and Community Infrastructure, Interim Finance Director 24 May 2019 To agree to appoint a supplier from a framework for the delivery of the Bruton Enterprise Centre	Issue: Decision to appoint a contractor from a framework for the delivery of the Bruton Enterprise			Katriona Lovelock, Economic Development Officer Tel: 01823 359873

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12 March 2018	Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport Not before 27th May 2019 To commence the process to secure a contractor to deliver the scheme to improve the traffic signals at Rowbarton junction in Taunton	Issue: Procurement for the construction of traffic signals improvements at the Rowbarton junction in Taunton			Sunita Mills, Service Commissioning Manager Tel: 01823 359763
3 April 2019	Director of Commissioning and Lead Commissioner for Economic Community Infrastructure, Cabinet Member for Education and Council Transformation 27 May 2019 Spaxton Primary, Crowcombe Primary, Stogumber Primary, Sogursey Primary, Heathfield Secondary, Milford Primary	Issue: Creation of New Academies			Elizabeth Smith, Service Manager – Schools Commissioning Tel: 01823 356260
5 February 2019	Cabinet Member for Public Health and Wellbeing Not before 27th May 2019 To agree the adoption of the statement	Issue: Adoption of the Somerset Air Quality Statement			Stewart Brock, Public Health Specialist, Public Health Tel: 01823357235

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26 March 2019	Director for Economic and Community Infrastructure Commissioning, Interim Finance Director Not before 27th May 2019 Approves acceptance of Heart of the South West Growth Deal 3 funding £2,542,755 for the development of phase 3 of the Somerset Energy Innovation Centre and approve the decision to proceed with the construction of SEIC 3	Issue: Somerset Energy Innovation Centre (Phase 3) - acceptance of Growth Deal 3 Funding			Julie Wooler, Economic Development & Strategic Tourism Officer
3 April 2019	Director of Corporate Affairs Not before 27th May 2019 To approve the award of a three-year contract.	Issue: The award of a contract for the provision of replacement end of life mobile devices & connections			Andy Kennell Tel: 01823359268

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30 April 2018	Director of Commissioning and Lead Commissioner for Economic Community Infrastructure Not before 3rd Jun 2019 To undertake the procurement of a Business Support Service (Growth Hub) on behalf of the HotSW LEP	Issue: Procurement of the HotSW Growth Hub Service			Melanie Roberts, Service Manager - Economic Policy Tel: 01823359209
7 May 2019	ECI Operations Director Not before 3rd Jun 2019 To agree to Capital expenditure of £590,330 for the purchase of 9 minibuses and 5 4x4 People Carriers in line with Somerset County Councils Fleet Replacement policy	Issue: Supply of new passenger transport vehicles for Transporting Somerset in-house Fleet for 2018/19 and 2019/20 requirements			John Perrett, Service Manager, Transporting Somerset ECI Tel: 01823 356968

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5 April 2019	Cabinet 10 Jun 2019 To seek a supplementary 2019/20 capital approval for Transporting Somerset, which would need to be ratified by Full Council on 15th May following consideration by Cabinet	Issue: Approval for in-year Capital Funding for Transporting Somerset	Confidential Appendix		John Perrett, Service Manager, Transporting Somerset ECI Tel: 01823 356968
9 April 2019	Cabinet 10 Jun 2019 The policies and principles by which the Local Authority (LA) plans early years and school places have been reviewed and updated.	Issue: Policies and Principles of School and Early Years Place Planning			Elizabeth Smith, Service Manager – Schools Commissioning Tel: 01823 356260
29 April 2019	Cabinet 10 Jun 2019 To consider the report	Issue: 2019/19 Q4 Transformation Update			Louise Day, Strategic Manager - Business Change Tel: 01823359069
9 April 2019	Cabinet 10 Jun 2019 To consider this report	Issue: 2018/19 Budget Outturn Report			Elizabeth Watkin, Service Manager - Chief Accountant Tel: 01823359573
9 April 2019	Cabinet 10 Jun 2019 To consider this report	Issue: Revenue Budget Monitoring			Elizabeth Watkin, Service Manager - Chief Accountant Tel: 01823359573

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24 April 2019	Cabinet 8 Jul 2019 To receive an update on the Council's financial position and the proposals for the development of the MTFP 2020/21	Issue: Development of the Medium Term Financial Plan 2020/21			Amy Shepherd, Corporate Performance Officer Tel: 01823 359225

Scrutiny for Policies Children and Families Committee Work Programme

Committee meetings		Lead Member & Officer
14 June		
Self-Harm Update		Pip Tucker/Trudi Grant
Initial MTFP budget update		Julian Wooster
CYP Mental Health Local Transformation Plan		James Slater
Update of Family Support Service – transition of PH nurses		Alison Bell
13 September		
Chair of the Early Help Commissioning Board		Angela Gascoigne – Health?
Children’s Social Care Statutory Customer Feedback report		Julian Wooster
Q1-Q2 MTFP analysis		Julian Wooster
Autism Strategy		tbc
18 October		
West Somerset Opportunity Area update		Julia Ridge
Syrian Vulnerable Persons Resettlement Scheme Update		Orla Dunn
CYPP Update 2019-2022 – Year 1 Quarter 1		Fiona Phur
15 November		
Annual Somerset Safeguarding Children Board		Sally Halls
13 December		
CYPP Update 2019-2022 – Year 1 Quarter 2		Fiona Phur
24 January 2020		
13 March		

(What impact does that have on Children in Somerset?)

Scrutiny for Policies Children and Families Committee Work Programme

24 April		
15 May		
12 June		

Note: Members of the Scrutiny Committee and all other Members of Somerset County Council are invited to contribute items for inclusion in the work programme. Please contact Democratic Services (01823) 359500 & democraticservices@somerset.gov.uk who will assist you in submitting your item.

Possible future items:

A Joint meeting with Adults & Health Scrutiny Committee: CAHMS service;
 Immunisations;
 Oral health;
 Transitions Plans for LD service users (18-25) going in to Adult Services;
 The impact on Children and Families of the next stage of migration/roll out of Universal Credit.

(What impact does that have on Children in Somerset?)

Scrutiny for Policies Children & Families Committee Outcome Tracker

Agenda items	Action owner	Agreed Outcome	RAG Status
22 July 2016			
Unaccompanied Asylum-Seeking Children (UASC)	Scrutiny Manager	There was a suggestion that the Council consider approaching the local Muslim Community to work with and offer advice on this area and that such a representative might also be invited to become a co-opted Member of the Committee.	Pending – this is being progressed with the Equalities Officer
22 March 2019			
Public Question Time	Clerk	3 members of the public submitted questions and it was agreed to provide them with written responses.	Completed + published on the website
CYPP 2016-2019	Fiona Phur	The Chair thanked the Lead Officer and noted that the final report of the CYPP 2016-2019, covering Quarter 4 of Year 3, would be presented to the May meeting.	Completed – report to May meeting
CYPP 2019-2022	Fiona Phur	It was requested if the link to the West Somerset Area website could be shared. It was requested if the link to the final version of the CYPP, when ready, be circulated to all members of the Council.	Completed
Family Support Service	Alison Bell	The Chair thanked Officers for the update and the Committee requested that an update report be provided for June/July to monitor transition of the PH nurses in to the service and he requested that any issues or pinch points be highlighted in the meantime.	Pending – report to June meeting
Higher Needs Funding Provision	Claire Winter	It was requested that the weblink to the Schools Forum website be circulated to Members and the report was accepted.	Completed
26 April 2019			
Regional Adoption Agency	Suzanne Lyus	The update was accepted, and the Chair suggested, and it was agreed that an update report be provided in 6 months.	Pending
Young Carers Future Service provision update	Julian Wooster	The Committee was frustrated by both a lack of detail in the report, to provide further explanation about the proposals, and the answers to questions asked during consideration of the report. The Committee agreed unanimous recommendations to be presented to Cabinet.	Completed

Scrutiny for Policies Children & Families Committee Outcome Tracker

The new CYPP 2019-2022 had been produced following a multi-agency process, overseen by Somerset Children's Trust. The CYPP had 4 priorities: Supported Families; Healthy Lives; A Great Education; Positive Outcomes.

Completed	Action complete and will be removed from tracker for next meeting.
Pending	Action on-going or plans in place to address.
Incomplete	No action currently in place with a minimum of 3 months since action agreed.