

Cheltenham Borough Council Cabinet

Meeting date: Tuesday, 17 March 2026

Meeting time: 6.00 pm

Meeting venue: Council Chamber - Municipal Offices

Membership:

Councillors Victoria Atherstone, Paul Baker, Flo Clucas, Mike Collins, Rowena Hay, Peter Jeffries, Alisha Lewis, Izaac Tailford and Richard Pineger

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SECTION 1 : PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1 Apologies

2 Declarations of interest

3 Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 24 February 2026 will be considered at the next meeting.

4 Public and Member Questions and Petitions

Questions must be received no later than 12 noon on the seventh working day before the date of the meeting

SECTION 2 :THE COUNCIL

There are no matters referred to the Cabinet by the Council on this occasion

SECTION 3 : OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

There are no matters referred to the Cabinet by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on this occasion

SECTION 4 : OTHER COMMITTEES

There are no matters referred to the Cabinet by other Committees on this occasion

SECTION 5 : REPORTS FROM CABINET MEMBERS AND/OR OFFICERS

5 Homeseeker Policy Review (Pages 5 - 28)

Report of Cabinet Member for Housing and Customer Services, Councillor Flo Clucas

6 Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Policy (Pages 29 - 76)

Report of the Leader, Councillor Rowena Hay

7 Housing Payments - Crisis and Resilience Fund Policy (Pages 77 - 102)

Report of Cabinet Member for Finance and Assets, Councillor Peter Jeffries

8 Discretionary Business Rate Relief (Pages 103 - 132)

Report of Cabinet Member for Finance and Assets, Councillor Peter Jeffries

9 Biodiversity Report (Pages 133 - 174)

Report of Cabinet Member for Planning and Building Control, Councillor Mike Collins

10 Notification of decisions made by the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Joint Committee (Pages 175 - 188)

Report of the Leader, Councillor Rowena Hay

SECTION 6 : BRIEFING SESSION

11 Briefing from Cabinet Members

SECTION 7 : DECISIONS OF CABINET MEMBERS

Member decisions taken since the last Cabinet meeting

SECTION 8 : ANY OTHER ITEM(S) THAT THE LEADER DETERMINES TO BE URGENT AND REQUIRES A DECISION