

Forward Plan December 2024 - November 2025

This Forward Plan contains details of all the key decisions that are planned to be taken by Cabinet and individual Cabinet members over the next four months together with key decisions by officers. It will be updated and published on the Council website www.cheltenham.gov.uk on a monthly basis.

Key Decision

A Key Decision means any decision in exercise of an Executive Function which:

- requires a budget expenditure or saving of £100,000 or more;
- relates to the acquisition or disposal of land or an interest in land with a value in excess of £500,000;
- is likely to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards in the Borough.

Significant Decision

A Significant Decision means any decision in exercise of a non-Executive Function which:

- requires a budget expenditure or budget saving of £100,000 or more;
- is likely to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards in the Borough.

Non-key decision

For additional information and completeness the Forward Plan also contains those items to be considered by Cabinet which are outside the definition of a key decision.

Cabinet Meetings

The Cabinet will normally meet every four weeks. Meetings start at 6pm and are open to the public (with the exception of discussion regarding reports which contain exempt/confidential, commercially sensitive or personal information). This is formal notice under the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 that part of the Cabinet meetings listed in this Forward Plan may be held in private because the agenda and reports for the meeting will contain exempt information under Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 (as amended) and that the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing it.

Documents submitted to the Cabinet or Cabinet Member(s) for decision will be a formal report, which if public and non-urgent, will be available on www.cheltenham.gov.uk at least 5 clear working days before the date the decision can be made. If you would like a copy by email please contact democratic.services@cheltenham.gov.uk. Background papers are listed where known in advance.

Documents shown are listed at Cheltenham Borough Council, Municipal Offices, Promenade, Cheltenham, GL50 9SA.

The members of the Cabinet are:

Leader of the Council

Portfolio Holders

Climate Emergency Councillor Iain Dobie Economic Development, Wellbeing and Culture Councillor Martin Horwood Finance and Assets Councillor Alisha Lewis Housing and Customer Services Councillor Flo Clucas Major Developments and Housing Delivery Councillor Peter Jeffries Planning and Building Control Councillor Mike Collins Safety and Communities Councillor Victoria Atherstone Waste, Recycling and Public Realm Councillor Izaac Tailford

Overview and Scrutiny Committee

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee aims to promote open and transparent decision-making, support democratic accountability and hold the Cabinet to account for its actions.

Contacting us.

For further detailed information or to give your views regarding specific issues to be considered by the Cabinet/Individual Cabinet Member please contact the named contact officer.

For more information on attending meetings or asking public questions please contact Democratic Services on 01242 264246 or email democratic.services@cheltenham.gov.uk

Decision Title and Summary of decision to be made	Type of Decision	Decision Maker and Date	Cabinet Member	Lead Officer
Annual Local Council Tax Support Scheme To consider the recommendation.	Non Key Decision	Cabinet 16/12/24 Council	Cabinet Member Finance and Assets	Head of Revenues and Benefits
Half-yearly Treasury Management Report To consider the report	Non Key Decision	Cabinet 16/12/24 Council	Cabinet Member Finance and Assets	Capital and Treasury Management Accountant

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Annual Report of Overview & Scrutiny Committee To consider the report	Non Key Decision	Council	16/12/24	Tabi Joy Chair of Overview and Scrutiny	Democratic Services Team Leader
Review of Polling District, Polling Places and Polling Stations To consider the recommendations	Non Key Decision	Council	16/12/24	Cabinet Member Finance and Assets	Deputy Chief Executive (Section 151 Officer)
Approval for publication of this year's Infrastructure Funding Statement and CIL Rate Summary Statement To consider the report	Non Key Decision	Cabinet	17/12/24	Cabinet Member Planning and Building Control	Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Manager
To approve CBC's Fencing Policy To consider the report and approve the policy.	Non Key Decision	Cabinet	17/12/24	Cabinet Member Housing and Customer Services	Interim Director Housing Transformation
General Fund Revenue & Capital - Interim Budget Proposals 2025-26 for consultation To consider the report	Non Key Decision	Cabinet	17/12/24	Cabinet Member Finance and Assets	Director of Finance and Assets and Deputy S151 Officer
Housing Revenue Account Revised Forecast 2024-25 and Interim Budget Proposals 2025-26 for consultation To consider the report	Non Key Decision	Cabinet	17/12/24	Cabinet Member Finance and Assets	Director of Finance and Assets and Deputy S151 Officer
Counter Fraud and Enforcement Unit Collaboration Agreement To approve the council entering into the Counter Fraud and Enforcement Unit Partnership Collaboration Agreement	Non Key Decision	Cabinet	17/12/24	Cabinet Member Finance and Assets	Head of Service, Counter Fraud and Enforcement Unit
First Homes Technical Advice Note To consider the recommendations.	Non Key Decision	Cabinet	17/12/24	Cabinet Member Housing and Customer Services	Housing Strategy and Partnerships Manager
To dispose of the Municipal Offices	Non Key Decision	Cabinet Member	01/25	Cabinet Member Finance and Assets	Deputy Chief Executive (Section 151

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To dispose of the Municipal Offices, following Cabinet and Council recommendations, July 2023.		Finance and Assets Council	21/02/25		Officer)
Award of Contract for build of 320 Swindon Road To award the building contract for 320 Swindon Road	Non Key Decision	Cabinet Member Major Developments and Housing Delivery	01/25	Cabinet Member Major Developments and Housing Delivery	Director of Finance and Assets and Deputy S151 Officer
Youth Engagement - Response to Council Motion (20 March 2023)	Non Key Decision	Cabinet	21/01/25	Cabinet Member Safety and Communities	Head of Communities, Wellbeing and Partnerships
Local Validation Checklist To approve the updated local validation checklist which will be used rigorously to ensure the local planning authority receives good quality submissions.	Non Key Decision	Cabinet	18/02/25	Cabinet Member Planning and Building Control	Head of Development Management, Enforcement and Compliance
Mobility Hub - phased build options To review the phasing options available for construction of the Mobility Hub and the cost benefits attached to a single-phase delivery.	Key Decision	Cabinet Council	18/02/25 24/03/25	Cabinet Member Major Developments and Housing Delivery	Senior Development Manager, Place & Economic Development
Delivery of Vacant Units and Town Centre Land Use Efficiency Action Plan - update To note the report	Non Key Decision	Cabinet	18/02/25	Cabinet Member Economic Development, Wellbeing and Culture	Head of Place Marketing and Inward Investment
Volunteering Policy and Processes To consider the recommendations.	Non Key Decision	Cabinet	18/02/25	Cabinet Member Safety and Communities	Head of Communities, Wellbeing and Partnerships
Dedication Agreement at Pittville Park - A435 Cheltenham to Bishops Cleeve Cycleway	Non Key Decision	Cabinet	18/02/25	Cabinet Member Finance and Assets	Estates Surveyor
Variation to Cheltenham Smoke Control Order	Key Decision	Cabinet	18/02/25	Cabinet Member Safety and Communities	Head of Public Protection and DEPLO

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To seek approval from Cabinet to vary the Cheltenham Smoke Control Order in accordance with the statutory requirements.					
Housing Revenue Account Revised Forecast 2024-25 and Final Budget Proposals 2025-26 To consider the report	Non Key Decision	Cabinet Council	18/02/25 21/02/25	Cabinet Member Finance and Assets	Director of Finance and Assets and Deputy S151 Officer
Final General Revenue & Capital Budget Proposals 2025-26 and Quarterly Budget Monitoring Report October-December 2024 To consider the recommendations	Non Key Decision	Cabinet Council	18/02/25 21/02/25	Cabinet Member Finance and Assets	Director of Finance and Assets and Deputy S151 Officer
Corporate Risk Register - update To note the updated Risk Register	Non Key Decision	Cabinet	18/02/25	Leader	Head of Corporate Service
Business Rate Reliefs To consider the report	Key Decision	Cabinet	18/02/25	Cabinet Member Finance and Assets	Head of Revenues and Benefits
Installation of electricity supply in Imperial and Montpellier Gardens To consider the recommendations.	Non Key Decision	Council	21/02/25	Cabinet Member Finance and Assets	Principal Estates Surveyor
Community Safety Partnership Strategy For Council to note the Community Safety Partnership Strategy.	Non Key Decision	Council	21/02/25	Cabinet Member Safety and Communities	
Constitution Updates, including Contract Procedure Rules To revise and update Controact Procedure Rules in line with the new Procurement Act 2023 (go-live date 24 February 2025)	Non Key Decision	Council	21/02/25	Leader	Director of Governance and Customer Services and Monitoring Officer
Council Tax Resolution To approve the council tax resolution.	Non Key Decision	Council	21/02/25	Cabinet Member Finance and Assets	Director of Finance and Assets and Deputy S151 Officer

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Council Order of Precedence - Nominations for Mayor Elect 2025/26 To note the Council's Order of Precedence	Non Key Decision	Council	21/02/25		Chief Executive
Council Diary 2025 - 2026 To approve the Council diary of meetings 2025 - 2026	Non Key Decision	Council	21/02/25	Leader	Director of Governance and Customer Services and Monitoring Officer
Gambling Act Statement of Principles To consider the recommendations.	Non Key Decision	Council	21/02/25	Cabinet Member Safety and Communities	Head of Public Protection and DEPLO
Revised Taxi Licensing Policy To approve consultation on draft policy.	Non Key Decision	Cabinet Member Safety and Communities	03/25	Cabinet Member Safety and Communities	Head of Public Protection and DEPLO
UK Shared Prosperity Funding 2025-2026 Decision required to accept the funding. Decisions required on delivery of the programme.	Non Key Decision	Cabinet	11/03/25		Head of Place Marketing and Inward Investment
Sports and Physical Activity Strategy Action Plan To consider and approve the Plan.	Non Key Decision	Cabinet	11/03/25	Cabinet Member Economic Development, Wellbeing and Culture	Head of Communities, Wellbeing and Partnerships
5-year review of the Collection Development Policy To consider the report	Key Decision	Cabinet	11/03/25	Cabinet Member Economic Development, Wellbeing and Culture	Head of Communities, Wellbeing and Partnerships
Warm Homes: Social Housing Fund Grant Bid To note the submission of a grant application for decarbonisation of the	Non Key Decision	Cabinet	11/03/25	Cabinet Member Climate Emergency	

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housing stock under the Warm Homes: Social Housing Fund (formerly SHDF Wave 3					
Cotswolds Beechwoods - Cheltenham Action Plan To consider the recommendations.	Non Key Decision	Cabinet	11/03/25	Cabinet Member Planning and Building Control	Interim Planning Policy Team Leader
To sell CBC's interest in Gloucestershire Airport Ltd. To sell the council's interest in Gloucestershire Airport Ltd.	Key Decision	Leader	Not before 24/03/25	Leader	Deputy Chief Executive (Section 151 Officer)
Ubico Business Plan Update	Non Key Decision	Cabinet	08/04/25	Cabinet Member Waste, Recycling and Public Realm	Environmental Partnerships Manager
Election of Mayor 2025-26 (Chair of Council)	Non Key Decision	Council	12/05/25		Chief Executive
Election of Deputy Mayor 2025-26 (Vice-Chair of Council)	Non Key Decision	Council	12/05/25		Chief Executive
Election of Honorary Freemen	Non Key Decision	Council	12/05/25	Leader	Chief Executive
Granting the Freedom of the Borough To grant the Freedom of the Borough	Non Key Decision	Council	12/05/25		Chief Executive
Innovation Centre - Management Agreement To consider the recommendations	Key Decision Part exempt	Cabinet Council	20/05/25 23/06/25	Cabinet Member Major Developments and Housing Delivery	Senior Development Manager, Place & Economic Development

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	3, 5 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.				
Corporate Risk Register - update To note the updated Risk Register	Non Key Decision	Cabinet	20/05/25	Leader	Head of Corporate Service
Corporate Risk Register - update To note the updated Risk Register	Non Key Decision	Cabinet	09/25	Leader	Governance, Risk and Assurance Manager
Publication of the Infrastructure Funding Statement and CIL Rate Summary Statement To approve the Infrastructure Funding Statement and CIL Rate Summary Statement	Non Key Decision	Cabinet	10/25	Cabinet Member Planning and Building Control	Director of Community & Economic Development
No Child Left Behind Annual Report To note the report.	Non Key Decision	Council	12/25	Cabinet Member Safety and Communities	Head of Communities, Wellbeing and Partnerships