West Suffolk Council



Decisions Plan

Key Decisions and other executive decisions to be considered

Date: 1 February 2020 to 31 May 2020 Publication Date: 10 January 2020

The following plan shows both the key decisions and other decisions/matters taken in private, that the Cabinet, Portfolio Holders, Joint Committees or Officers under delegated authority, are intending to take up to 31 May 2020. This table is updated on a monthly rolling basis and provides at least 28 clear days' notice of the consideration of any key decisions and of the taking of any items in private.

Executive decisions are taken at public meetings of the Cabinet and by other bodies / individuals provided with executive decision-making powers. Some decisions and items may be taken in private during the parts of the meeting at which the public may be excluded, when it is likely that confidential or exempt information may be disclosed. This is indicated on the relevant meeting agenda and in the 'Reason for taking the item in private' column relevant to each item detailed on the plan.

Members of the public may wish to:

- make enquiries in respect of any of the intended decisions listed below;
- receive copies of any of the documents in the public domain listed below;
- receive copies of any other documents in the public domain relevant to those matters listed below which may be submitted to the decision taker; or
- make representations in relation to why meetings to consider the listed items intended for consideration in private should be open to the public.

In all instances, contact should be made with the named Officer in the first instance, either on the telephone number listed against their name, or via email using the format firstname.surname@westsuffolk.gov.uk or via West Suffolk Council, West Suffolk House, Western Way, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, IP33 3YU or College Heath Road, Mildenhall, Bury St Edmunds IP28 7EY.

Expected Decision Date	Subject and Purpose of Decision	Reason for taking item in private (see Note 1 for relevant exempt paragraphs)	Decision (D), Key Decision (KD) or Rec (R) to Council on date	Decision Taker (see Note 3 for membership)	Portfolio Holder Contact Details	Lead Officer Contact Details	Wards Affected	Documents to be submitted
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PH Decision (Deferred from 14/01/20 – new decision date to be determined)	Bury and Beyond Destination Marketing Organisation (DMO) The Portfolio Holder for Growth will be asked to consider a funding allocation of £25,000 per year for two years to the DMO. The allocation of the second year funding would be subject to receipt of satisfactory outcomes from the first year of funding.	Not applicable	PH (D)	Portfolio Holder for Growth	Susan Glossop Growth 01284 728377	Julie Baird Assistant Director (Growth) 01284 757613 Andrea Mayley Service Manager (Economic Development and Business Growth) 01284 757343	All Wards	Report to Cabinet or Portfolio Holder for Growth.
11/02/20 (NEW) (re- issued)	Queensbury Lodge: Urgent Works Notice The Cabinet will be asked to approve the issuing of an Urgent Works Notice in relation to Queensbury Lodge, Newmarket.	Exempt Appendix: Paragraph 3	(D)	Cabinet	Susan Glossop Growth 01284 728377	Julie Baird Assistant Director (Growth) 01284 757613	New- market West	Report to Cabinet.
11/02/20 (NEW)	West Suffolk Car Parking Review The Cabinet will be asked to consider the recommendations of the Overview and Scrutiny (O&S) Committee following its review of car	Not applicable	(KD) (some proposals may involve budgetary implications, which would	Cabinet	Peter Stevens Operations 01787 280284	Mark Walsh Assistant Director (Operations) 01284 757300 Darren Dixon Service Manager (Property)	All Wards	Recommend- ations to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to Cabinet.

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	parking in West Suffolk. The O&S Committee had appointed its own West Suffolk Parking Review Group to undertake the review on behalf of the Cabinet.		be recommended to Council as part of the budget setting process)			01284 757678		
11/02/20 (NEW)	Sunnica Energy Farm – Consultation Process The Cabinet will be asked to consider the process in respect of Sunnica's proposal for a new solar energy farm, part of which was proposed to be located in the West Suffolk district. The process involves several stages; the initial stage would be for the Council to respond to Sunnica's Statement of Community Consultation. The Cabinet will consider the proposed decision-making route for responding to this first stage of consultation.	Not applicable	(D)	Cabinet	Andy Drummond Regulatory 07710 027343	David Collinson Assistant Director (Planning and Regulatory) 01284 757306	All Wards	Report to Cabinet.
11/02/20	Delivering a Sustainable Budget 2020/2021 Further to its consideration	Not applicable	(D) Consideration	Cabinet	Sarah Broughton Resources and Performance	Rachael Mann Assistant Director (Resources and	All Wards	Report of the Performance and Audit

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	on previous occasions, the Cabinet will be asked to consider recommendations of the Performance and Audit Scrutiny Committee for recommending to Council on proposals for achieving a sustainable budget in 2020/2021.		by Council will take place as part of the budget setting paper on 25/02/20		07929 305787	Performance) 01638 719245		Scrutiny Committee to Cabinet.
11/02/20	Budget and Council Tax Setting 2020/2021 and Medium Term Financial Strategy The Cabinet will be asked to consider the proposals for the 2020/2021 budget (and beyond) and Medium Term Financial Strategy for West Suffolk Council, prior to its approval by Council. This report includes the Minimum Revenues Provision (MRP) Policy and Prudential Indicators.	Not applicable	(R) – Council 25/02/20	Cabinet/ Council	Sarah Broughton Resources and Performance 07929 305787	Rachael Mann Assistant Director (Resources and Performance) 01638 719245	All Wards	Report to Cabinet with recommend- ations to Council.
11/02/20	Annual Treasury Management and Investment Strategy 2020/2021 and	Not applicable	(R) – Council 25/02/20	Cabinet/ Council	Sarah Broughton Resources and Performance 07929 305787	Rachael Mann Assistant Director (Resources and Performance)	All Wards	Report to Cabinet with recommend- ations to

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	Treasury Management Code of Practice The Cabinet will be asked to recommend to Council, approval of the Treasury Management and Investment Strategy 2020/2021 and Treasury Management Code of Practice for West Suffolk Council, which must be undertaken before the start of each financial year.					01638 719245		Council.
11/02/20	Revenues Collection Performance and Write Offs The Cabinet will be asked to consider writing-off outstanding debts, as detailed in the exempt appendices.	Exempt Appendices: Paragraphs 1 and 2	(KD)	Cabinet	Sarah Broughton Resources and Performance 07929 305787	Rachael Mann Assistant Director (Resources and Performance) 01638 719245	All Wards	Report to Cabinet with exempt appendices.
11/02/20	Investing in our Commercial Asset Portfolio The Cabinet will be asked to recommend to Council, the acquisition of property	Exempt Paragraph 3	(KD)	Cabinet	Susan Glossop Growth 01284 728377 Sara Mildmay- White Housing	Julie Baird Assistant Director (Growth) 01284 757613 Davina Howes Assistant Director	All Wards	Exempt Report to Cabinet.

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	for adding to its commercial asset portfolio.				01359 270580	(Families and Communities) 01284 757070 Colin Wright Service Manager (Place Delivery and Strategic Property) 01284 757385		
24/03/20 (Deferred from 26/11/19)	West Suffolk Local Plan Draft Issues and Options documents— Approval sought for Consultation The Cabinet will be asked to recommend to Council, approval of draft Issues and Options documents which will assist in the development of the draft West Suffolk Local Plan. Following approval, consultation on the draft documents is expected to commence in spring 2020.	Not applicable	(R) – Council 31/03/20	Cabinet/ Council	David Roach Local Plan Development and Delivery 07889 510003	Julie Baird Assistant Director (Growth) 01284 757613 Marie Smith (Service Manager) Strategic Planning 01638 719260	All Wards	Report to Cabinet with recommend- ations to Council.
24/03/20	Treasury Management	Not applicable	(R) – Council	Cabinet /	Sarah Broughton	Rachael Mann	All Wards	Recommend-

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	Report 2019/2020 – Investment Activity (1 April to 31 December 2019) The Cabinets will be asked to consider the recommendations of the Performance and Audit Scrutiny Committee and recommend to Council, the approval of the Treasury Management Report 2019-2020 which also summarises the investment activity for the period 1 April to 31 December 2019.		31/03/20	Council	Resources and Performance 07929 305787	Assistant Director (Resources and Performance) 01638 719245		ations of the Performance and Audit Scrutiny Committee to Cabinet and Council.
24/03/20	West Suffolk Pay Policy Statement 2020/2021 The Cabinets will Council approval of the Pay Policy Statement for 2020/2021, together with the Gender Pay Gap Report contained within it.	Not applicable	(R) Council – 31/03/20	Cabinet / Council	Carol Bull Governance 07767 472419	Wendy Canham Service Manager (Human Resources and Organisational Development) 01284 757006	All Wards	Report to Cabinet with recommend- ations to Council.
(Deferred from	Newmarket Cinema Following approval of the outline business case in	Possible Exempt Appendices: Paragraph 3	(R) – Council To be confirmed	Cabinet / Council	Susan Glossop Growth 01284 728377	Jill Korwin Director 01284 757252	All Wards	Recommend- ations to Cabinet and

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26/11/19) New date to be confirmed	March 2019, the Cabinet will be asked to consider recommending to Council, approval of the full Business Case for the proposed Newmarket Cinema and Restaurant Development.							Council with the possibility of Exempt Appendices.

NOTE 1: DEFINITIONS OF EXEMPT INFORMATION: RELEVANT PARAGRAPHS

In accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)

The public may be excluded from all or part of the meeting during the consideration of items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information defined in Schedule 12(A) of the Act, as follows:

PART 1 DESCRIPTIONS OF EXEMPT INFORMATION: ENGLAND

- 1. Information relating to any individual.
- 2. Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.
- 3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).
- 4. Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under, the authority.
- 5. Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.
- 6. Information which reveals that the authority proposes -
 - (a) to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or
 - (b) to make an order or direction under any enactment.
- 7. Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime.

In accordance with Section 100A(3) (a) and (b) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)

Confidential information is also not for public access, but the difference between this and exempt information is that a Government department, legal opinion or the court has prohibited its disclosure in the public domain. Should confidential information require consideration in private, this will be detailed in this Decisions Plan.

NOTE 2: KEY DECISION DEFINITION

A key decision is an executive decision that either:

- (a) Results in new expenditure, or a reduced income or savings of more than £100k in any one year that has not otherwise been included in the Council's revenue or capital budgets.
- (b) Comprises or includes the making, approval or publication of a draft or final scheme, which is not a routine business decision, that may require, either directly or in the event of objections, the approval of a Minister of the Crown.
- (c) Results in the formation of a new company, limited liability partnership or joint venture.
- (d) Has a potentially detrimental impact on communities outside of West Suffolk District.
- (e) Is a decision that is significant in terms of its effect on communities living or working in a definable local community in the District, or on one or more wards, in that it will:
 - (i) Have a long-term, lasting impact on that community; or
 - (ii) Restrict the ability of individual businesses or residents in that area to undertake particular activities; or
 - (iii) Removes the provision of a service or facility for that community; or
 - (iv) Increases the charges payable by members of the community to provide a service or facility by more than 5%; or
 - (v) Have the potential to create significant local controversy or reputational damage to the Council
- (f) A matter that the decision maker considers to be a key decision.
- (g) Any matters that fall under the scope of e) above must be subject to consultation with the local Member(s) in Wards that are likely to be impacted by the decision prior to the decision being made.

NOTE 3: MEMBERSHIP OF BODIES MAKING KEY DECISIONS

(a) Membership of West Suffolk Council's Cabinet and their Portfolios

Cabinet Member	Portfolio
John Griffiths	Leader of the Council
Sara Mildmay-White	Deputy Leader of the Council/
	Housing
Sarah Broughton	Portfolio Holder for Resources and
Sarah Broughton	Performance
Carol Bull	Portfolio Holder for Governance
Andy Drummond	Portfolio Holder for Regulatory
Robert Everitt	Portfolio Holder for Families and Communities
Susan Glossop	Portfolio Holder for Growth
Jo Rayner	Portfolio Holder for Leisure, Culture and
	Community Hubs
David Roach	Portfolio Holder for Local Plan Development
	and Delivery
Peter Stevens	Portfolio Holder for Operations

(b) <u>Membership of the Anglia Revenues Partnership Joint Committee (Breckland Council, East Cambridgeshire District Council, East Suffolk Council, Fenland District Council and West Suffolk Council</u>

Full Breckland Cabinet Member	Full East Cambridgeshire District Council Cabinet Member	Full East Suffolk Council Cabinet Member	Full Fenland District Council Cabinet Member	Full West Suffolk Council Cabinet Member
Philip Cowen	David Ambrose-Smith	Steve Gallant	Jan French	Sarah Broughton
Substitute Breckland Cabinet Members	Substitute East Cambridgeshire District Council Cabinet Members	Substitute East Suffolk Council Cabinet Members	Substitute Fenland District Council Cabinet Members	Substitute West Suffolk Council Cabinet Members
Sam Chapman-Allen	David Brown	To be confirmed	David Connor	Sara Mildmay-White
Paul Claussen	Joshua Schumann	To be confirmed	Kim French	To be confirmed

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