



St Edmundsbury
BOROUGH COUNCIL

St Edmundsbury Borough Council

CAB/SE/18/013

Decisions Plan

Key Decisions and other executive decisions to be considered

Date: 27 February 2018 to 31 May 2018

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The following plan shows both the key decisions and other decisions/matters taken in private, that the Cabinet, Joint Committees or Officers under delegated authority, are intending to take up to 31 May 2018. 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. This Plan also includes Cabinet decisions expected beyond 31 May 2018.

Executive decisions are taken at public meetings of the Cabinet and by other bodies 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 St Edmundsbury Borough Council, West Suffolk House, Western Way, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, IP33 3YU.

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 (see Note 2 for Key Decision definitions)	Decision Taker (see Note 3 for membership)	Portfolio Holder Contact Details	Lead Officer Contact Details	Wards Affected	Documents to be submitted
27/02/18 (NEW) <i>(Joint meeting with FHDC's Cabinet)</i>	Draft Order to Create a West Suffolk Council The Cabinet will be requested to approve the draft Order that will create West Suffolk Council, as required by s.15(4) of the Cities and Local Government Act 2016.	Not applicable	(KD)	Cabinet (who may delegate)	Councillor John Griffiths Leader of the Council 07958 700434 Councillor Carol Bull Future Governance 01953 681513	Ian Gallin Chief Executive 01284 757001	All	Report to Cabinet, including copy of draft Order to create West Suffolk Council. Background papers will be the decision of Council in September 2017 to become a single council.
27/02/18 (NEW) <i>(Joint meeting with FHDC's Cabinet)</i>	Gender Pay Gap The Cabinet will receive information prior to its publication, as required by legislation, which contains the organisation's Gender Pay Gap data.	Not applicable	None – for noting only	For noting by Cabinet	Councillor Ian Houlder Resources and Performance 01284 810074	Karen Points Assistant Director (HR, Legal and Democratic Services) 01284 757015	All	Report to Cabinet.
27/03/18 (Deferred from 27/06/17)	Leisure Investment Fund: Consideration of business case for investment in Haverhill Leisure Centre	Exempt Appendix: Paragraph 3	(KD)	Cabinet	Joanna Rayner Leisure and Culture 07872 456836	Jill Korwin Director 01284 757252	All Wards	Report to Cabinet with exempt appendix

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	The Cabinet will be asked to consider a detailed proposal for investment in the Council owned leisure facilities at Haverhill to deliver a revenue saving to the Council and enhanced user experience.							
27/03/18 (Deferred from 06/02/18)	Suffolk Business Park: Loan to Churchmanor The Cabinet will be asked to consider and recommend to Council, a proposal received from Churchmanor Estates Company for infrastructure for Suffolk Business Park. The proposal is for a £2.5 million revolving infrastructure loan facility.	Possible Exempt Appendix: Paragraph 3	(R) – Council 24/04/18	Cabinet/ Council	Alaric Pugh Planning and Growth 07930 460899	Julie Baird Assistant Director (Growth) 01284 757613 Andrea Mayley Service Manager (Economic Development and Growth) 01284 757343	All Wards	Report to Cabinet with possible exempt appendix and recommendations to Council.
27/03/18 (Deferred from 28/03/17)	Western Way Development Programme The Cabinet will receive a programme update paper, including	Possible Exempt Appendices: Paragraph 3	(R) – Council 24/04/18	Cabinet/ Council	Alaric Pugh Planning and Growth 07930 460899	Rachael Mann Assistant Director (Resources and Performance) 01638 719295	All Wards	Report to Cabinet with recommendations to Council and possibility of

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	recommendations to Council, in relation to the Western Way Development Programme. A separate proposal (which integrates with this paper) regarding the potential investment in renewable energy schemes may also be considered at this time.					Lisa Grove Service Manager (Customer Services) 01638 719320 Peter Gudde Service Manager (Environmental Health) 01284 757042 (renewable energy scheme element)		Exempt Appendices.
27/03/18 (Deferred from 06/02/18)	17-18 Cornhill, Bury St Edmunds (former Post Office building) The Cabinet will be asked to consider a business case for a preferred option for the future use of 17-18 Cornhill, Bury St Edmunds	Exempt Appendices: Paragraph 3	(R) – Council 24/04/18	Cabinet/ Council	Alaric Pugh Planning and Growth 07930 460899	Julie Baird Assistant Director (Growth) 01284 757613 Sabrina Pfuetzenreuter-Cross Principal Growth Officer 01284 757113	All Wards	Report to Cabinet with exempt appendices and recommendations to Council

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27/03/18 (Deferred from 01/11/16)	West Suffolk Information Strategy The Cabinet will be asked to consider the recommendations of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee in respect of seeking approval of a West Suffolk Information Strategy (incorporating an ICT Strategy), which has been jointly produced with Forest Heath District Council.	Not applicable	(D)	Cabinet	Ian Houlder Resources and Performance 01284 810074	Rachael Mann Assistant Director (Resources and Performance) 01638 719245 Kevin Taylor Service Manager (ICT) 01284 757230	All Wards	Recommendations of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to Cabinet.
27/03/18 (Deferred from 14/11/17)	West Suffolk Councils' Lettings Policy The Cabinet will be asked to consider and approve the revised West Suffolk councils' Lettings Policy (based on the joint policy agreed by the Cambridge Housing Sub-Regional Partnership). This will also be considered by Forest Heath District Council's Cabinet. The draft Strategy will have previously been	Not applicable	(D)	Cabinet	Sara Mildmay-White Housing 01359 270580	Davina Howes Assistant Director (Families and Communities) 01284 757070	All Wards	Report and draft Lettings Policy to Cabinet.

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	considered by the FHDC and SEBC Overview and Scrutiny Committees.							
27/03/18 (Deferred from 27/02/18)	<p>West Suffolk Civil Sanctions Policy Under the Housing and Planning Act 2016, local authorities have been given new powers to impose civil sanctions as an alternative to prosecution for certain housing offences. The Cabinet will be asked to consider and approve a new civil sanctions policy following an engagement exercise in order to implement these new powers. The Cabinet will also be asked to recommend to Council approval of new delegations to officers so that they can use the new powers. This policy has been jointly produced with Forest Heath District Council.</p>	Not applicable	<p>(D) in part, for approval of new policy.</p> <p>Recommendations to Council (24/04/18) for providing new delegated powers to officers.</p>	Cabinet/ Council	<p>Alaric Pugh Planning and Growth 07930 460899</p> <p>Sara Mildmay-White Housing 01359 270580</p>	<p>David Collinson Assistant Director (Planning) 01284 757306</p> <p>Andrew Newman Service Manager (Housing Standards) 01638 719276</p>	All Wards	Report to Cabinet, with recommendations to Council, where applicable.

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27/03/18	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	Ian Houlder Resources and Performance 01284 810074	Rachael Mann Assistant Director (Resources and Performance) 01638 719245	All Wards	Report to Cabinet with exempt appendices.
27/03/18 (NEW)	Jacqueline Close Development Brief The Cabinet will be asked to recommend to Council, adoption of a Development Brief for Land at Jacqueline Close, Bury St Edmunds.	Not applicable	(R) – Council 24/04/18	Cabinet/ Council	Alaric Pugh Planning and Growth 07930 460899	David Collinson Assistant Director (Planning) 01284 757306	Abbeygate	Report to Cabinet with recommendations to Council.
22/05/18	St Andrew's Car Park Development Site The Cabinet will be asked to consider and recommend to Council, proposals for a vision for St Andrews Street North and its vicinity, which includes the provision of additional parking.	Possible Exempt Appendices: Paragraph 3	(R) – Council June 2018	Cabinet/ Council	Peter Stevens Operations 01787 280284	Mark Walsh Assistant Director (Operations) 01284 757300 Darren Dixon Service Manager (Property) 01284 757413	All Wards	Report to Cabinet with possible exempt appendices and recommendations to Council.

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22/05/18 (Deferred from 06/02/18) <i>(Joint meeting with FHDC's Cabinet)</i>	Street Vending and Trading Policy The Cabinet will be asked to consider a revised street vending and trading policy. Consultation will take place with the Licensing and Regulatory Committee on the proposed content of the policy.	Not applicable	(D)	Cabinet	Alaric Pugh Planning and Growth 07930 460899	Peter Gudde Service Manager (Environmental Health) 01284 757042	All Wards	Report to Cabinet with revised policy.
22/05/18 (NEW) <i>(Joint meeting with FHDC's Cabinet)</i>	Housing Ten Unit Threshold The Cabinet will be asked to approve reverting back to applying approved affordable housing policies CS5 (St Edmundsbury Borough Council) and CS9 (Forest Heath District Council) (as applicable) in relation to developments of less than ten units and not applying the written Ministerial Statement which removes the requirement to provide any affordable housing on developments of less than	Not applicable	(D)	Cabinet	Sara Mildmay-White Housing 01359 270580	Julie Baird Assistant Director (Growth) 01284 757613 Simon Phelan Service Manager (Strategic Housing) 01638 719440	All Wards	Report to Cabinet.

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	ten units.							
22/05/18 (NEW) <i>(Joint meeting with FHDC's Cabinet)</i>	Custom and Self Build Interim Policy Statement The Cabinet will be asked to agree an Interim Policy Statement which will be used to assess whether or not an application for self/custom build should be granted planning permission and how the West Suffolk Councils (Forest Heath and St Edmundsbury) plan to meet the self/custom build demand in West Suffolk.	Not applicable	(D)	Cabinet	Sara Mildmay-White Housing 01359 270580	Julie Baird Assistant Director (Growth) 01284 757613 Simon Phelan Service Manager (Strategic Housing) 01638 719440	All Wards	Report to Cabinet, including interim Policy Statement.
June 2018 <i>(Joint meeting with FHDC's Cabinet)</i>	Review of West Suffolk's Housing Strategy West Suffolk's Housing Strategy 2014 is due to be reviewed in 2018. Through the review of the Housing Strategy, the	Not applicable	(R) – Council July 2018	Cabinet/ Council	Sara Mildmay-White Housing 01359 270580	Davina Howes Assistant Director (Families and Communities) 01284 757070 David Collinson Assistant Director	All Wards	Report to Cabinet with draft Strategy, overview of existing Housing Strategy

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	<p>opportunity to reflect priorities, actions and projects set out in the recently adopted West Suffolk Strategic Framework 2018-2020 will be taken. Furthermore, there are a number of additional duties and fundamental changes to housing legislation that will be reflected in the Housing Strategy.</p> <p>The draft Strategy will have previously been considered by the FHDC and SEBC Overview and Scrutiny Committees.</p>					<p>(Planning) 01284 757306</p> <p>Julie Baird Assistant Director (Growth) 01284 757613</p>		<p>review and results of consultation.</p>
<p>June 2018</p> <p>(Deferred from 27/03/18)</p> <p>(Joint meeting with FHDC's Cabinet)</p>	<p>Review of West Suffolk's Homelessness Strategy</p> <p>The Homelessness Act 2002 requires all councils to review and produce a new homelessness strategy at least every five years. A review of the existing strategy is due in</p>	<p>Not applicable</p>	<p>(D)</p>	<p>Cabinet</p>	<p>Sara Mildmay-White Housing 01359 270580</p>	<p>Davina Howes Assistant Director (Families and Communities) 01284 757070</p>	<p>All Wards</p>	<p>Report to Cabinet with draft policy, overview of the existing Homelessness Strategy review and results of the consultation.</p>

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	<p>2018.</p> <p>In addition to this, the Homelessness Reduction Act 2017 comes into force in April 2018 and there are a number of fundamental changes to legislation and additional duties that will need to be reflected in a new Homelessness Strategy for West Suffolk, which the Cabinet will be asked to consider and adopt.</p> <p>The draft Strategy will have previously been considered by the FHDC and SEBC Overview and Scrutiny Committees.</p>							
<p>June 2018</p> <p>(NEW)</p> <p><i>(Joint meeting with FHDC's Cabinet)</i></p>	<p>West Suffolk Joint Tenancy Strategy</p> <p>The Localism Act (2011) introduced a duty for Local Authorities to produce a Tenancy Strategy. The Strategy outlines both the West Suffolk Councils' (Forest Heath and St</p>	<p>Not applicable</p>	<p>(D)</p>	<p>Cabinet</p>	<p>Sara Mildmay-White Housing 01359 270580</p>	<p>Julie Baird Assistant Director (Growth) 01284 757613</p> <p>Simon Phelan Service Manager (Strategic Housing)</p>	<p>All Wards</p>	<p>Report to Cabinet, including Tenancy Strategy</p>

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	Edmundsbury) and Registered Providers' approach to issues which affect tenants living in West Suffolk, including the management and allocation of affordable housing.					01638 719440		
June 2018 (NEW) <i>(Joint meeting with FHDC's Cabinet)</i>	West Suffolk Joint Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document The Affordable Housing supplementary planning document (SPD) provides additional guidance to Core Strategy Policies CS5 (St Edmundsbury Borough Council) and CS9 (Forest Heath District Council) 'Affordable Housing' to ensure that applicants and developers have a clear understanding of affordable housing requirements when considering submission of a planning application. The Cabinet will be asked	Not applicable	(R) – Council July 2018	Cabinet/ Council	Sara Mildmay-White Housing 01359 270580	Julie Baird Assistant Director (Growth) 01284 757613 Simon Phelan Service Manager (Strategic Housing) 01638 719440	All Wards	Report to Cabinet, including Supplementary Planning Document

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	to recommend to Council approval of this SPD.							
June 2018 (NEW) <i>(Joint meeting with FHDC's Cabinet)</i>	West Suffolk Annual Report 2017/2018 Following scrutiny by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, the Cabinet will be asked to consider the West Suffolk Annual Report 2017/2018, which has been jointly produced with Forest Heath District Council.	Not applicable	(D)	Cabinet	John Griffiths Leader of the Council 07958700434	Davina Howes Assistant Director (Families and Communities) 01284 757070	All Wards	Report to Cabinet.

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) A key decision means an executive decision which, pending any further guidance from the Secretary of State, is likely to:
 - (i) be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area in the Borough/District; or
 - (ii) result in any new expenditure, income or savings of more than £50,000 in relation to the Council's revenue budget or capital programme;
 - (iii) comprise or include the making, approval or publication of a draft or final scheme which may require, either directly or in the event of objections, the approval of a Minister of the Crown.
- (b) A decision taker may only make a key decision in accordance with the requirements of the Executive procedure rules set out in Part 4 of this Constitution.

NOTE 3: MEMBERSHIP OF BODIES MAKING KEY DECISIONS

(a) Membership of the Cabinet and their Portfolios:

Cabinet Member	Portfolio
Councillor John Griffiths Councillor Sara Mildmay-White	Leader of the Council Deputy Leader of the Council/ Housing
Councillor Carol Bull Councillor Robert Everitt Councillor Ian Houlder	Portfolio Holder for Future Governance Portfolio Holder for Families and Communities Portfolio Holder for Resources and Performance
Councillor Alaric Pugh Councillor Joanna Rayner Councillor Peter Stevens	Portfolio Holder for Planning and Growth Portfolio Holder for Leisure and Culture Portfolio Holder for Operations

(b) **Membership of the Anglia Revenues Partnership Joint Committee (Breckland Council, East Cambridgeshire District Council, Fenland District Council, Forest Heath District Council, Suffolk Coastal District Council, St Edmundsbury Borough Council and Waveney District Council)**

Full Breckland Cabinet Member	Full East Cambridgeshire District Council Cabinet Member	Full Fenland District Council Cabinet Member	Full Forest Heath District Council Cabinet Member	Full Suffolk Coastal District Council Cabinet Member	Full St Edmundsbury Borough Council Cabinet Member	Full Waveney District Council Cabinet Member
Cllr Paul Claussen	Cllr David Ambrose-Smith	Cllr Chris Seaton	Cllr Stephen Edwards	Cllr Richard Kerry	Cllr Ian Houlder	Cllr Bruce Provan
Substitute Breckland Cabinet Members	Substitute East Cambridgeshire District Council Cabinet Members	Substitute Fenland District Council Cabinet Members	Substitute Forest Heath District Council Cabinet Members	Substitute Suffolk Coastal District Council Cabinet Members	Substitute St Edmundsbury Borough Council Cabinet Members	Substitute Waveney District Council Cabinet Members
Cllr Sam Chapman-Allen	Cllr Lis Every	Cllr John Clark	Cllr James Waters	Cllr Stuart Lawson	Cllr Sara Mildmay-White	Cllr Mark Bee
Cllr William Nunn	Cllr Julia Huffer	Cllr Will Sutton	Cllr David Bowman	Cllr Ray Herring	Cllr Robert Everitt	Cllr Chris Punt

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Date: 26 January 2018