

## **KEY DECISION FORWARD PLAN**

### **Purpose**

The purpose of this document is to give sufficient notice to people affected by key decisions to exercise their rights to see papers and make an input into the decision making process.

### **Key Decisions**

At Suffolk County Council, most key decisions are made by the Cabinet. Setting the budget is a decision of the County Council. Some key decisions may be made under specifically delegated authority as defined in the Council's Constitution: <http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/your-council/councillors/suffolk-county-council-constitution/>

Regulation 8 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations Part III [*Statutory Instruments 2000 No 3272*] states:

- 8 (1) In these regulations a “key decision” means 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 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.

### **Threshold**

Suffolk County Council has adopted a threshold of £500,000 for key decisions.

This plan includes decisions which the decision maker has decided are key decisions in that they

- (a) involve significant expenditure or savings; or
- (b) have a significant effect on communities

even though they are either below the adopted threshold or impact on people in one electoral division only.

## DECISION MAKERS:

### Cabinet Members and Designations:

Councillor Colin Noble	Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Economic Development
*Councillor Jane Storey	Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Broadband and Rural Issues and Localities
*Councillor James Finch	Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport
*Councillor Tony Goldson	Cabinet Member for Health
*Councillor Matthew Hicks	Cabinet Member for Environment and Public Protection
*Councillor Rebecca Hopfensperger	Cabinet Member for Adult Care
*Councillor Christopher Hudson	Cabinet Member for Ipswich
*Councillor Gordon Jones	Cabinet Member for Children's Services, Education and Skills
*Councillor Richard Smith MVO	Cabinet Member for Finance and Heritage

\*Cabinet member designations will cease at the County Council elections on 4 May 2017

**County Council:** For the full list of County Councillors please use the link below:

<http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/your-council/councillors/find-your-councillor-by-name/>

**Delegated Authority:** Where a key decision is to be made under delegated authority the name and title of that individual will be provided under that item.

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- The information provided for each key decision below includes a list of the documents which will be submitted to the decision maker for consideration in relation to the matter in respect of the key decision to be made. Subject to any restriction on their disclosure, copies of, or extracts from, any document listed will be available on Suffolk County Council's website or be available for inspection at Endeavour House, 8 Russell Road, Ipswich, IP1 2BX at least five clear days before the meeting (please contact Democratic Services on 01473 265119 email: [DemocraticServices@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:DemocraticServices@suffolk.gov.uk) for further information).
  - Further documents relevant to those matters may be submitted to the decision maker. If you wish to submit further documentation relevant to a decision being made or you require details of those documents (if any) as they become available please contact Democratic Services (contact details above).
  - The list below also includes items that are not key decisions (if any) which will be considered by the Cabinet.

**INDICATIVE FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS: 20 February to 13 June 2017**

This section provides an indicative list of key decisions that the Cabinet, County Council or a delegated officer is likely to make between the dates indicated above. Suffolk County Council aims to keep to the dates shown below however as new circumstances come to light, it may be necessary to reschedule some items and add or remove others.

The list below also includes items that are not key decisions (if any) which may be considered by the Cabinet.

<u>Date Key Decision to be made</u>	<u>Key decision ?</u> <u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Short description</u>	<u>Documents to be submitted to the Decision Maker</u>	<u>Decision Maker</u> <u>[Cabinet, Council or delegated officer]</u>	<u>Cabinet Member</u>	<u>Contact</u>
There are no key decisions scheduled for March 2017, or for April 2017 and May 2017 due to the election period.							
13 June 2017	Yes	Red Lodge Primary School: Sponsor Recommendation	This report summarises the outcome of the national competition to attract and assess potential sponsors of the new primary school in Red Lodge. The report asks Cabinet to recommend its preferred sponsor to the Secretary of State for Education.	Report by the Corporate Director for Children and Adults	Cabinet	Relevant Cabinet Member for Children's Services Education and Skills	Joy Stodart, Project Lead, School Organisation 01284 758829
13 June 2017	Yes	Regional Adoption Agency	The Department for Education has said that all LAs must be part of Regional Adoption Agencies (RAAs) by April 18. The RAA will recruit, match and provide adoption support for all adopters and adopted children in the RAA catchment. Suffolk will need to transfer resource to the RAA to enable this.	Report by the Corporate Director for Children and Adults	Cabinet	Relevant Cabinet Member for Children's Services Education and Skills	Allan Cadzow, Service Director for Children and Young People 01473 260938

13 June 2017	Yes	2016-17 Outturn for Revenue and Capital Spending	To summarise the Council's final Revenue and Capital financial position. It includes an explanation of under and over spendings compared to the budget. The report will also show the Council's reserves, virements and the Council's Treasury Management activities.	Report by the Director for Resource Management	Cabinet	Relevant Cabinet Member for Finance	Tracey Woods, Chief Accountant Financial Control 01473 265369
13 June 2017	No	Aldham Mill Hill – CPO of Land	To authorise the making of a compulsory purchase order in respect of the land pursuant to section 226(1)(b) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, and its subsequent transfer to Persimmon Homes Limited.	Report by the Director for Resource Management	Cabinet	Relevant Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport	Steve Merry
13 June 2017	No	Social Value and Sustainable Procurement Policy	The Social Value Act 2012 places an obligation on the Council to have regard to economic, social and environmental well-being in connection with public services contracts. Having a specific policy on Social Value and Sustainable Procurement will allow the Council to conduct relevant procurement in compliance with the requirements of the Act	Report and draft policy by the Director for Resource Management	Cabinet	Relevant Cabinet Member for Finance	Richard Hall – Head of Procurement Policy and Enablement 01473 264464

At the time of publication there were no key decisions scheduled for the meeting due to be held on 11 July 2017

The Cabinet does not meet in August

At the time of publication there were no key decisions scheduled for the meeting due to be held on 12 September 2017