

## Agenda Item 7

Committee: **Scrutiny Committee for Education**

Date: **13 March 2002**

Title of Report: **Forward Plan of Key Decisions to be Considered by the Cabinet**

By: **Director of Legal and Community Services**

Purpose of Report: **To inform the Committee of the key decisions to be addressed by the Cabinet between 1 March 2002 and 30 June 2002**

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### **Recommendations**

- 1. To note the report and the Forward Plan for Education**
  - 2. To consider whether there are any issues highlighted by the Plan about which the Committee would wish to have more information.**
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### **1. INTRODUCTION**

1.1 In accordance with its new constitution, the Cabinet must prepare a forward plan of the key decisions, which it is to take during the period covered by the Plan. The Plan has to be produced at the beginning of each month.

1.2 The publication of the Plan enables Scrutiny Committees to consider what key decisions are going to be made by the Cabinet. The Scrutiny Committee can then decide whether it wishes to make any comments about any particular matter. The Cabinet will also wish to seek the views of the relevant Scrutiny Committee if there are important issues of policy which are being considered.

### **2. FORWARD PLAN FOR EDUCATION**

The Appendix sets out the forward plan including for Education (1 March 2002 to 30 June 2002)

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EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

FORWARD PLAN – CABINET – 1 MARCH TO 30 JUNE 2002

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| February 2002            | Lead Cabinet Member for Community Planning and E-Govt | ITEX Extension  | To consider possible extension of existing contract   | ICT Strategy Group<br>Lead Member for Corporate Resources                               |                          | Peter O'Neill<br>481197                            |
| 26 February 2002         | Cabinet   | Integrated Transport Team                             | To consider proposals in relation to a single transport provision team  | Education, Social Services and Health and Transport and Environment Scrutiny Committees |                          | John Windebank<br>481226                           |
|                          | Cabinet   | Budget Monitoring                                     | To consider report on budget monitoring   |   |                          | Trevor Brierley<br>481820                          |
|                          | Cabinet   | Performing Arts Centre                                | To consider disposal of properties in Fisher Street and Watergate Lane, currently occupied by the East Sussex Music Service, to jointly fund with Sussex Downs College a Performing Arts Centre |   |                          | Phillip Scott<br>472275                            |
|                          | Cabinet   | Special Education Provision in the west of the County | To agree that statutory notices are issued in respect of the proposed changes   |   |                          | Peter Weston<br>481160                             |
|                          | Cabinet   | Children's Fund                                       | To approve proposals for the Children's Fund which involve the commitment or redirection of resources   | Local Stakeholders<br>Service Users<br>Young People                                     |                          | Alison Jeffery<br>482163<br>Helen Davies<br>481274 |
|                          | Cabinet   | Sure Start  | To consider proposals   |   |                          | Andy Gay   |

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|                          |                           |  | that the County Council should be the accountable body for the Sure Start Scheme  |  |  | 01424 201893<br>Bob Sherwood<br>481252 |
|                          | Cabinet                   | Structure Plan Review  | To approve the undertaking of a review (and extension to 2016) of the County Structure Plan in the light of new Regional Planning Guidance. Cabinet will be asked to decide on the programme, scope of review, public consultation and arrangements for joint working with Brighton & Hove City Council | Brighton & Hove City Council                                 | Regional Planning Guidance for the South East<br><br>East Sussex and Brighton & Hove Structure Plan 1991-2011<br><br>Planning Policy Guidance 12 – Development Notes | Paul Treadgold<br>481804               |
|                          | Cabinet                   | Government Green Paper on the Planning System (Planning Obligations, CPO, Major Infrastructure Projects) | To consider response to Government who will be seeking views on proposed changes to the Town and Country planning system via a consultative Green Paper   |  | Government Green Paper   | Alistair Robson<br>482107              |
|                          | Cabinet                   | Staff Travel Plan  | To agree the principles of a Staff Travel Plan to be developed with Lewes District Council  | Trade Unions<br>Transport and Environment Scrutiny Committee |  | Steve Ankers<br>481722                 |
|                          | Cabinet                   | Charging Arrangements  | To consider charges for provision of licenses for objects placed on the highway   | Transport and Environment Scrutiny Committee                 |  | Tony Pike<br>482130                    |
| 22 February 2002         | Lead Member for Education | Governance of Barcombe CE Primary School (Part 2)  | To determine whether to restore delegated powers to the school Governing Body   |  |  | Denise Stokoe<br>481316                |

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| 26 March 2002            | Cabinet               | Public Library Standards  | To consider proposals for meeting the Standards for bookfund and acquisition   |  |                          | Dina Thorpe<br>481534     |
|                          | Cabinet               | Cultural Strategy   | To approve the Cultural Strategy   | Scrutiny Committee for Community Services  |                          | Hilary Lane<br>481871     |
|                          | Cabinet               | Trading Standards Service Plan 2002/03                              | To consider Service Plan   |  |                          | Dave Marshall<br>1825     |
|                          | Cabinet               | Crime and Disorder Reduction Strategies                             | To consider the Strategies from the five districts   |  |                          | Angela Haines<br>482114   |
|                          | Cabinet               | Strategic Economic Development, Europe Office and Bidding Team      | To consider proposals for an integrated policy   |  |                          | Tony Bray<br>481268       |
|                          | Cabinet               | Budget Monitoring   | To consider report on budget monitoring  |  |                          | Trevor Brierley<br>481820 |
|                          | Cabinet               | Admissions to Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools in 2003/04 | To determine arrangements for schools' admissions  | Schools Appropriate Admissions Authorities |                          | Geoff Evans<br>481789     |
|                          | Cabinet               | Highway Drainage Policy – management of culverts                    | To agree Policy  | Transport & Environment Scrutiny Committee |                          | Chris Walker<br>482209    |
|                          | Cabinet               | Fostering Strategy  | To approve the Strategy and payment rates  | Corporate Parenting Panel                  |                          | Helen Davies<br>481274    |
|                          | Cabinet               | Learning Disability Residential Care – Pooled Budget                | To consider proposals regarding the transfer of commissioning responsibility for learning disability residential services from Health to Social Services | Key Learning Disability Stakeholders       |                          | Keith Hinkley<br>481288   |
|                          | Cabinet               | Firwood House, Eastbourne   | To agree to integrated intermediate care services in Eastbourne  | All key stakeholders                       |                          | Keith Hinkley<br>481288   |
|                          | Cabinet               | The Alders  | To consider the future of  | Local member                               | Cabinet report ,4        | Keith Hinkley             |

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|                          |                           | (Hookstead) Crowborough, Learning Disability Residential Service              | the service  |                                     | September 2001           | 481288<br>Debbie Endersby<br>481126                |
|                          | Cabinet                   | Youth Justice Plan  | To agree the Plan for recommendation to County Council   |                                     |                          | Helen Davies<br>481274<br>John Tovey<br>482527     |
|                          | Cabinet                   | Children & Young People's Strategic Plan                                      | To approve the Plan  |                                     |                          | Helen Davies<br>481274                             |
|                          | Cabinet                   | Property Services – Best Value review   | To consider any response the Cabinet wishes to make regarding the best value review report being submitted to the County Council |                                     |                          | Larry Mansbridge<br>482575<br>Mike King<br>482404  |
|                          | Cabinet                   | ICT Infrastructure and services outsourced to ICL and CSL – Best Value review | To consider any response the Cabinet wishes to make regarding the best value review report being submitted to the County Council |                                     |                          | Larry Mansbridge<br>482575<br>Sean Nolan<br>481406 |
| 7 March 2002             | Lead Member for Education | Schools' applications for loans   | To consider schools' applications for loans  |                                     |                          | Greg Roberts<br>481807                             |
| 7 March 2002             | Lead Member for Education | Funding formula for schools   | To consider whether to implement the proposed new funding formula for special schools  | Governing Bodies of Special schools |                          | Michael Nix<br>481807                              |
| 7 March 2002             | Lead Member for Education | Financial support for post 16 students  | To approve continuing support for post 16 students and policy for maintenance allowances and travel                              |                                     |                          | Geoff Evans<br>481789                              |
| 7 March 2002             | Lead                      | Disposal of Tutorial  | To agree to the disposal   |                                     |                          | Andrew Seaton                                      |

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|                          | Member for Education                | Unit, Bexhill   | of the site.   |  |  | 481723                   |
| 7 March 2002             | Lead Member for Education           | Disposal of land at Herne Junior School, Crowborough            | To agree to the disposal of the site.  |  |  | Andrew Seaton<br>481723  |
| 7 March 2002             | Lead Member for Education           | New special school funding formula                              | To approve a new funding formula for special schools   |  |  | Michael Nix<br>481446    |
| 4 March 2002             | Lead Member for Transport and Env't | Petitions: Blackness Road, Crowborough<br>The Stream, Catsfield | To consider requests for traffic calming – to be assessed as part of the annual review                             | Local Members                                | Traffic Calming Assessment Procedure   | Colin Clarke<br>482363   |
| 4 March 2002             | Lead Member for Transport & Env't   | Lewes Parking Strategy  | To approve strategy for consultation   | Local Members                                | Draft strategy   | Peter Hayward<br>482136  |
| 4 March 2002             | Lead Member for Transport and Env't | Environmental Management Targets                                | To consider Environmental Management Targets for 2002/03   |  |  | Andy Arnold<br>481606    |
| 4 March 2002             | Lead Member for Transport & Env't   | Environmental Action Plan                                       | To consider programme of environmental work  |  |  | Simon Hickmott<br>482660 |
| 4 March 2002             | Lead Member for Transport & Env't   | Highway Maintenance Code of Practice                            | To consider the implications of the Code of Practice for Maintenance Management on current policies and procedures | Transport and Environment Scrutiny Committee | Delivering Best Value in Highway Maintenance – Code of Practice for Maintenance Management | Tony Pike<br>482130      |
| 4 March 2002             | Lead Member for Transport and Env't | Traffic Calming: Priority Assessment of Requests                | To approve a list of sites for detailed investigation for traffic calming measures                                 | Local members                                |  | Colin Clarke<br>482363   |
| 4 March 2002             | Lead Member for                     | Local Area Transport Strategy – Uckfield                        | To approve strategy  | Borough/District Councils                    |  | Peter Hayward<br>482136  |

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|                          | Transport & Env't                          |   |  | Local Interest Groups<br>Local Member          |                                      |                         |
| 4 March 2002             | Lead Member for Transport & Env't          | Local Nature Reserve Agreement and Renewals       | To negotiate and sign Agreements and Declarations  |  |                                      | Alex Tait<br>481621     |
| 4 March 2002             | Lead Member for Transport and Env't        | Review of Vehicle Weight Limits in Ashdown Forest | To consider the need to modify vehicle weight restrictions and responses to initial consultation | The High Weald Transport and Environment Forum |                                      | Peter Hayward<br>482136 |
| 22 March 2002            | Lead Member for Social Services & Health   | Children's Residential Units                      | To approve the Children's Residential Units Statement of Purpose                                 |  |                                      | Helen Davies<br>481274  |
| 22 March 2002            | Lead Member for Social Services & Health   | Social Services strategic Plan                    | To consider Plan   |  |                                      | Bob Sherwood<br>481288  |
| 22 March 2002            | Lead Member for Social Services and Health | Mental Health Grant Allocation                    | To consider allocation for 2002/03   | Health   |                                      | Steve Metcalf<br>481478 |
| March 2002               | Lead Member for Corporate Resources        | List of approved Consultants                      | To approve the list of approved property consultants   |  |                                      | Mike Prince<br>481598   |
| 23 April 2002            | Cabinet                                    | Best Value Performance Plan 2001/02 - Monitoring  | To consider progress towards the achievement of targets in the BVPP                              | Scrutiny Committees                            |                                      | Pete Rowley<br>481932   |
|                          | Cabinet                                    | Domestic Violence                                 | To consider issues arising from the final report to the Community Services Scrutiny Committee    |  | Scrutiny review of Domestic Violence | Dave Marshall<br>481825 |



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|                          | Cabinet               | Physical Disabilities and Sensory Impairment Services  | To consider final report on Action Plan following scrutiny review  |                     | Scrutiny review report  | Mark Stainton<br>481166                               |
|                          | Cabinet               | Social Services Relationship with other agencies   | To consider final report on Action Plan following scrutiny review  |                     | Scrutiny review report  | Bob Sherwood<br>481252                                |
|                          | Cabinet               | Adoption Services  | To consider final report on Action Plan following Best Value review  |                     | Best Value review report  | Helen Davies<br>481274                                |
|                          | Cabinet               | Home Care  | To consider final report on Action Plan following Best Value review  |                     | Best Value Review of Home Care Social Services Committee report 10/10/00<br>Cabinet report 31/07/01 | Keith Hinkley<br>481288<br>David Millen<br>481393     |
|                          | Cabinet               | Services for Disabled Children   | To consider final report on Action Plan following Best Value Review  |                     | Best Value review report  | Helen Davies<br>481274                                |
|                          | Cabinet               | Library Service, Arts and Cultural Strategy, Arts and Museum Service, Bibliographic Services – Best Value Review | To consider any response the Cabinet wishes to make regarding the best value review report being submitted to the County Council |                     |   | Larry Mansbridge<br>482575<br>Dina Thorpe<br>481534   |
|                          | Cabinet               | Community Safety – Best Value review   | To consider any response the Cabinet wishes to make regarding the best value review report being submitted to the County Council |                     | Best Value review report on community safety  | Larry Mansbridge<br>482575<br>Dave Marshall<br>481825 |
|                          | Cabinet               | Family Support – Best Value review   | To consider any response the Cabinet wishes to make regarding the best value review report being submitted to the County         |                     | Best value review report on family support  | Roger Howarth<br>481327                               |

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|                          |                                    |   | Council   |  |   |                           |
|                          | Cabinet                            | Eligibility Criteria for Community Care   | To consider eligibility criteria for community care.  | Voluntary sector<br>Independent sector<br>Users<br>Carers<br>Health  | Cabinet report 4 September 2001-11-23 Social Services report 10 October 2000<br>Fair Access to Care Services: dept. of Health July 2001<br>Health Service/Local Authority Circular HSC 2001/015 and LAC (2001) 18 – June 2001 | Gerry Murphy<br>481612    |
|                          | Cabinet                            | New Approach to Development Contributions | To approve work with Borough and District Councils on developing new guidance on the approach to seeking contributions towards necessary infrastructure and services arising from development proposals | Borough and District Councils will be involved in the development of the guidance if the Cabinet agrees to the proposals |   | Alistair Robson<br>481633 |
|                          | Cabinet                            | Environment and Landscape Management      | To consider any response the Cabinet wishes to make regarding the Best Value review report being submitted to the County Council  |  |   | Phil Packham<br>482202    |
| April 2002               | Lead Member for Community Services | River Ouse and Uck Catchment Strategy     | To consider response to Environment Agency on options identified for the flood defence of Lewes and Uckfield  | Local members  |   | Chris Walker<br>482209    |
| 8 April 2002             | Lead                               | Draft Wealden District                    | To consider whether the   |  | Draft Wealden Local   | Graham Arr-Jones          |

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|                          | Member for Transport and Env't      | Local Plan                                      | First Deposit Draft Wealden Plan conforms with the County Structure Plan  |                     | Plan (as intended for first deposit)<br>East Sussex and Brighton & Hove Structure Plan 1991-2011<br>Relevant Planning Policy Guidance Notes<br>Cabinet report, 24 May 2000 | 481615                     |
| 8 April 2002             | Lead Member for Transport & Env't   | Kent Structure Plan Review                      | To consider response to proposed policy directions  |                     | Kent Structure Plan review – Policy Directions<br>East Sussex and Brighton & Hove Structure Plan 1991-2011<br>Regional Planning Guidance for the South East                | Mike Langthorne<br>481618  |
| 8 April 2002             | Lead Member for Transport and Env't | Surrey Revised Deposit Draft Structure Plan     | To consider whether the proposals conform with the County Structure Plan and national/regional planning policy guidance |                     | Surrey revised Deposit Draft Structure Plan<br>East Sussex and Brighton & Hove Structure Plan 1991 – 2011<br>Regional Planning Guidance for the South East                 | Mike Langthorne<br>481618  |
| 8 April 2002             | Lead Member for Transport and Env't | Tunbridge Wells Second Deposit Draft Local Plan | To consider any further representations the County Council wishes to make   |                     | Tunbridge Wells Second Deposit Draft Local Plan<br>East Sussex and Brighton and Hove   | Graham Arr-Jones<br>481615 |

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|                   |                                     |   |   |   | Structure Plan 1991 - 2011                        |                             |
| 8 April 2002      | Lead Member for Transport and Env't | Cycling Strategy  | To approve draft strategy for consultation  |   | Local Transport Plan                              | Peter Hayward<br>482136     |
| 8 April 2002      | Lead Member for Transport and Env't | Rail Strategy   | To approve the County Council's draft rail strategy for consultation                                    | Transport and Environment Scrutiny Committee                      | Draft Strategy<br>Local Transport Plan            | Peter Hayward<br>482136     |
| 17 April 2002     | Lead Member for Education           | New opportunities for Physical Education and Sport Programme                        | To approve a bid for grant under the programme  | Schools Borough and District Councils<br>Sport England            | New Opportunities Fund: Building for Tomorrow     | Rob Graham<br>481347        |
| 17 April 2002     | Lead Member for Education           | Education Asset Management Plan: New Deal for Schools programme 2002/03 and 2003/04 | To approve a programme of expenditure of New Deal for Schools Condition Grant and Modernisation funding | Asset Management Plan Review Group                                | Asset Management Plan and Statement of Priorities | Peter Morris<br>481355      |
| April 2002        | Lead Member for Corporate Resources | Procurement Unit  | To consider biannual report on the work of the Unit   |   |   | Jonathan Campbell<br>481847 |
| 28 May 2002       | Cabinet                             | Treasury Management – Stewardship   | To consider the treasury management performance in 2001/02  |   |   | Les Langston<br>481851      |
|                   | Cabinet                             | Public Service Agreement for east Sussex  | To approve Public Service Agreement for negotiation   |   |   | Richard Hemsley<br>481546   |
|                   | Cabinet                             | School Improvement Service  | To consider appointment of preferred supplier   |   |   | Matt Dunkley<br>481717      |
|                   | Cabinet                             | Mount Denys, Hastings   | To consider future of current services  | Residents and relatives<br>Health<br>Trade Unions<br>Local member | Cabinet report, 16 October 2001                   | John Windebank<br>481226    |

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|                          | Cabinet                             | Joint Review of Social Services                                    | To consider Joint Review report   |                     | Position Statement<br>Joint Review report | Judi Dettmar<br>482544<br>Bob Sherwood<br>481252 |
| 13 May 2002              | Lead Member for Transport and Env't | South East and east of England Regional Air services (SERAS) Study | To agree the Council's response to consultations on the SERAS Study proposals |                     |   | Graham Arr-Jones<br>481615                       |
| 13 May 2002              | Lead Member for Transport and Env't | Walking Strategy   | To approve strategy for consultation  |                     | Local Transport Plan                      | Peter Hayward<br>482136                          |
| 10 June 2002             | Lead Member for Transport and Env't | Local Area Transport Strategy for Rye                              | To approve strategy   | Local Members       | Draft Transport Strategy                  | Peter Hayward<br>482136                          |
|                          |                                     |  |   |                     |   |  |