

EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL'S FORWARD PLAN

The Leader of the County Council is required to publish a forward plan setting out matters which the Leader believes will be the subject of a key decision by the Cabinet, individual Cabinet member or officer in the period covered by the Plan (the subsequent four months). The Council's Constitution states that a key decision is one that involves

- (a) expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the expenditure of the County Council's budget, namely above £500,000 per annum; or
- (b) is significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more electoral divisions.

As a matter of good practice, the Council's Forward Plan includes other items in addition to key decisions that are to be considered by the Cabinet/individual members. This additional information is provided to inform local residents of all matters to be considered, with the exception of issues which are dealt with under the urgency provisions. Only key decisions to be taken by officers are included.

For each decision included on the Plan the following information is provided:

- the name of the individual or body that is to make the decision and the date of the meeting or relevant time period for an officer decision
- the title of the report and decision to be considered
- groups that will be consulted prior to the decision being taken
- a list of documents that will be considered when making the decision
- the name and telephone number of the contact officer for each item.

The Plan is updated and published every month on the Council's website two weeks before the start of the period to be covered.

Meetings of the Cabinet/individual members are open to the public (with the exception of discussion regarding reports which contain exempt/confidential information). Copies of agenda and reports for meetings are available on the website in advance of meetings. Key decisions taken by officers will not be taken at a meeting – documents listed can be made available on request to the contact officer, with the exception of those which contain exempt/confidential information.

For further details on the time of meetings and general information about the Plan please contact Stuart McKeown at County Hall, St Anne's Crescent, Lewes, BN7 1UE, or telephone 01273 481583 or send an e-mail to stuart.mckeown@eastsussex.gov.uk. For further detailed information regarding specific issues to be considered by the Cabinet, individual Member or officer please contact the named contact officer for the item concerned.

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For copies of reports or other documents please contact the officer listed on the Plan or phone 01273 335274.

FORWARD PLAN – EXECUTIVE DECISIONS (including Key Decisions) – 1 May 2024 TO 31 August 2024

Additional notices in relation to Key Decisions and/or private decisions are available on the [Council's website](#).

Cabinet membership:

Councillor Keith Glazier - Lead Member for Strategic Management and Economic Development

Councillor Nick Bennett – Lead Member for Resources and Climate Change

Vacancy – Lead Member for Economy

Councillor Claire Dowling – Lead Member for Transport and Environment

Councillor Carl Maynard – Lead Member for Adult Social Care and Health

Councillor Bob Bowdler – Lead Member for Children and Families

Councillor Bob Standley – Lead Member for Education and Inclusion, Special Educational Needs and Disability

Date for Decision	Decision Taker	Decision/Key Issue	Decision to be taken wholly or partly in private (P) or Key Decision (KD)	Consultation	List of Documents to be submitted to decision maker	Contact Officer
3 May 2024	Lead Member for Strategic Management and Economic Development	Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act ('RIPA') and Investigative Powers Act ('IPA') update Set the policy for the year ahead as required by the Policy in relation to the use of covert investigative techniques.			Report, other documents may also be submitted	Robert Freeman 01273 336715
3 May 2024	Lead Member for Strategic Management and Economic Development	Record of Delegation of Executive Functions To consider delegations in relation to executive functions including the Cabinet responsibilities and functions set out in the Constitution, the Officer Scheme of			Report, other documents may also be submitted	Stuart McKeown 01273 481583

		Delegation and the annual report by the Leader to be submitted to the County Council on 7 May 2024.				
9 May 2024	Lead Member for Education and Inclusion, Special Educational Needs and Disability	Post-16 Transport Policy Statement 2024-2025 The Lead Member is recommended to approve the Post-16 Transport Policy Statement for the 2024-25 academic year following the required consultation.	KD		Report, other documents may also be submitted	Ian Crudge 0300 3309472
21 May 2024	Lead Member for Resources and Climate Change	117 South Coast Road, Peacehaven - Disposal of Freehold This is a residential dwelling that is surplus to operational requirements. Lead Member approval is being sought to formally declare the property to be surplus, and to approve the disposal of the asset. The Lead Member report will seek for the Chief Operating Officer to be granted authority to agree detailed terms with the preferred purchaser at a later date.			Report, other documents may also be submitted	Rebecca Lewis 07955 312 371
22 May 2024	Lead Member for Transport and Environment	Registration - Statutory Fee Changes The General Register Office are making changes to their statutory fees relating to the Registration Service. The Registration Service sets some discretionary fees of its own, which are approved by Full Council in February of each year. The remainder of the fees levied are set nationally by General Register Office and these change from time to time.			Report, other documents may also be submitted	Steve Quayle

22 May 2024	Lead Member for Transport and Environment	High Weald Management Plan 2024-2029 The Lead Member will be recommended to adopt the latest review of the High Weald Management Plan, which covers the period 2024 to 2029. This will enable the County Council to meet its statutory duty of preparing and publishing a Management Plan for the High Weald Protected Landscape.	KD		Report, other documents may also be submitted	Virginia Pullan 01273 482639
22 May 2024	Lead Member for Transport and Environment	Petition: Make 20mph a default on our residential streets (Hastings and St Leonards) To consider the petition asking that the County Council make 20mph a default on residential streets (Hastings and St Leonards).	KD		Report, other documents may also be submitted	Kelly Burr 01273 482824
23 May 2024	Lead Member for Adult Social Care and Health	Permitted Extension - Supported Accommodation Approved Provider Framework East Sussex County Council (ESCC) have a joint procurement framework & application process for organisations to become a contracted approved provider. This process ensures ESCC establish overarching quality and support requirements in the support being delivered. This also sets out specialist requirements for specific care groups. The care group are Working Age 18-65 and include Learning Disability, Physical Disability and Mental Health. The	KD		Report, other documents may also be submitted	Kenny Mackay 01323 463946

		<p>contracted period was for 5 (plus optional 2 years).</p> <p>It is requested that permission is granted for a further 2 years.</p>				
23 May 2024	Lead Member for Education and Inclusion, Special Educational Needs and Disability	Burfield Academy and Phoenix Academy To consider the local authority's response to Step Academy Trust's consultation on a proposal to amalgamate Burfield Academy and Phoenix Academy.	KD		Report, other documents may also be submitted	Gary Langford 01273 481758
30 May 2024	Lead Member for Strategic Management and Economic Development	East Sussex Energy, Infrastructure and Development Limited: Proposed changes to the Articles of Association The Council is a member of this company, and the company are proposing to change their articles of association. Any such change requires the consent of the Council as a company member. The Council has been liaising with the company regarding concerns with the proposed changes, but to date has not been able to resolve its concerns. The leader is requested to consider the changes and make a decision on whether or not to approve them.	P		Report, other documents may also be submitted	Bekki Freeman 01273 481630
10 Jun 2024	Lead Member for Transport and Environment	Proposed update to the East Sussex Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP) Approve the proposed update to the East Sussex BSIP, prior to submission to the Department of Transport by the 12 June 2024 deadline. It is a requirement of the DfT that Local Authorities update their BSIP to	KD		Report, other documents may also be submitted	Craig Lamberton 01273 337 525

		allow the release of year 3 funding.				
10 Jun 2024	Lead Member for Transport and Environment	Petition: For East Sussex County Council to agree to proceed without further delay to proceed with our simple and affordable 20mph safety scheme, which requires just the change of signage To consider the petition asking that the County Council change the existing 30mph speed limit in Burwash High Street to a 20mph speed limit.			Report, other documents may also be submitted	Kelly Burr 01273 482824
10 Jun 2024	Lead Member for Transport and Environment	School Streets - results of the consultation and next steps To note the feedback from the co-design work with the school community on the three school streets schemes at All Saints CE Primary, Bexhill, Southover CE Primary, Lewes and Langney Primary, Eastbourne and the results of the public consultation undertaken between 22 April – 17 May 2024 and to approve the next steps for the three School Streets schemes.			Report, other documents may also be submitted	Lisa Simmonds 0345 608 0190
25 Jun 2024	Cabinet	East Sussex, Brighton & Hove and the South Downs NPA Waste and Minerals Plan Review To recommend to Full Council that the reviewed Waste and Minerals Plan is adopted, following the Planning Inspectorate issuing their report that finds the plan sound and legally compliant.	KD		Report, other documents may also be submitted	Ed Sheath 01273 481632

25 Jun 2024	Cabinet	<p>Council Monitoring: Quarter 4 2023/24 - Year end</p> <p>To consider the Council Monitoring report for the fourth quarter of 2023/24 as part of the Council's Reconciling Policy, Performance and Resources process.</p>	KD		Report, other documents may also be submitted	Victoria Beard 07894 708914
25 Jun 2024	Cabinet	<p>Reconciling Policy, Performance and Resources (RPPR) - State of the County</p> <p>To consider the State of the County report and begin the Reconciling Policy, Performance and Resources process for 2025/26 and beyond.</p>	KD		Report, other documents may also be submitted	Victoria Beard 07894 708914
25 Jun 2024	Cabinet	<p>Procurement of a chargepoint operator to deliver, operate and manage on-street electric vehicle chargepoints</p> <p>The County Council has received funding from the Office for Zero Emission Vehicles totalling £4.441m to develop a chargepoint network that will prioritise the needs of residents that cannot park and charge off street.</p> <p>The funding has been issued on the understanding that the Council will seek additional investment from the private sector to extend the scale of the network. The Council are therefore requested to decide on the procurement of a chargepoint operator that will invest in and deliver the proposed chargepoint network, and manage this contract (estimated value £150m) for a contracted period, whilst meeting the funding objectives.</p>	KD		Report, other documents may also be submitted	Ian Glover 01273 336389

25 Jun 2024	Lead Member for Resources and Climate Change	98 South Coast Road, Peacehaven - Disposal of Freehold This is a residential dwelling that is surplus to operational requirements. Lead Member approval is being sought to formally declare the property to be surplus, and to approve the disposal of the asset. The Lead Member report will seek for the Chief Operating Officer to be granted authority to agree detailed terms with the preferred purchaser at a later date.			Report, other documents may also be submitted	Rebecca Lewis 07955 312 371
25 Jun 2024	Lead Member for Resources and Climate Change	Renting of storage facility for Eastbourne public works at 41 Brampton Road Planned public infrastructure street works to Eastbourne centre require storage facilities for materials prior to their installation. East Sussex County Council has rented an area of secure open storage space at Brampton Road Eastbourne for the past year. The lease is due to expire and the decision requested is to renew the lease for an additional year.			Report, other documents may also be submitted	Rebecca Lewis 07955 312 371
25 Jun 2024	Lead Member for Resources and Climate Change	Land known as Site 6, Easter Island Place, Eastbourne Decision regarding the Council's recommended property strategy.	P KD		Report, other documents may also be submitted	Rebecca Lewis 07955 312 371
25 Jun 2024	Lead Member for Resources and Climate Change	To approve the granting of a new Lease to the Trustees of the West Hills & District Community Centre The current Lease dated 12 March 2008 expires 11 March 2023 and it is proposed	P KD		Report, other documents may also be submitted	Joanne Johnston, Zoe Tweed 01273 336621, 07701 021868

		that ESCC grant the Trustees a new Lease for a period of 25 years which will allow the Trustees to be able to seek grant funding.				
25 Jun 2024	Lead Member for Resources and Climate Change	County Hall campus - asset review As part of the Council's Asset Management Plan 2020-2025, the Council has been undertaking a review of its office accommodation. It's Hastings and Eastbourne offices review and implementation are now complete. An independent review of the County's largest asset at County Hall, including Westfield House is completed and the findings of this will be set out for the Lead Member to decide on the way forward.	P KD		Report, other documents may also be submitted	Nigel Brown 07394 410630
June 2024	Director of Communities, Economy and Transport	SuDS in Schools: procurement of services and materials to fit Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) to seven schools in the Eastbourne/Southern Wealden area Request to procure the appointment of a Contractor to carry out the works of Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) in selected schools in Eastbourne and Southern Wealden, which have a higher risk of flooding.	KD		Report, other documents may also be submitted	Nick Claxton 01273 481407
4 Jul 2024	Lead Member for Education and Inclusion, Special Educational Needs and Disability	West Rise Community Infant School and West Rise Junior School To update the Lead Member on the outcome of a consultation on the proposed amalgamation of West Rise Community Infant School and West Rise Junior School			Report, other documents may also be submitted	Gary Langford 01273 481758

		and to seek approval for next steps.				
16 Jul 2024	Cabinet	Internal Audit Annual Report and Opinion 2023/24 To note the Internal Audit Service's Opinion on the Council's control environment			Report, other documents may also be submitted	Nigel Chilcott 01273 481992
16 Jul 2024	Cabinet	Ashdown Forest Trust Fund 2023/24 To inform Cabinet of the movements on the Trust Fund during 2023/24 and the closing position as at 31 March 2024.			Report, other documents may also be submitted	Jill Fisher 01273 482542