

## Forward Plan of Significant Decisions 2024-2025

This Plan sets out the significant decisions which the Council expects to take over the period indicated above. The Plan is rolled forward every month. A significant decision is defined in the Council’s Constitution as: A decision which is likely to result in the Council incurring non-routine expenditure which is, or the making of non-routine savings which are, significant having regard to the Council’s budget for the service or function to which the decision relates, and/or is likely to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising one or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the Council. For these purposes, savings and expenditure are “significant” if they are equal to or greater than £1 million, unless the context requires otherwise. For clarification, no decision previously approved by the Finance Sub- Committee, and no treasury management decision, shall constitute a Significant Decision

Committee	Committee Date	Title	Purpose of Report	Corporate Plan Priority	Lead Officer	Exempt Item	Consultation	Equality Impact Assessment	Part of Budget and Policy Framework
Finance Sub Committee	07/11/24	Review of Alliance Environmental Services - Update	To update Members on initial due diligence work undertaken in reviewing Alliance Environmental Services (a subsidiary of ANSA), as per the approved recommendation at the meeting of 25th June, and set out a series of recommendations to move forward.	Open	Executive Director of Place	Yes	No	No	Yes
Children & Families Committee	11/11/24	Academisation of St Johns, Sandbach (Directive Order)	Provide necessary assurances to enable the Committee to	Open	Interim Executive director of Children’s Services	TBC	No	Yes	No

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			consider their support for the transfer (as this is a Directive Order).						
Children & Families Committee	11/11/24	Academisation of Lower Park Primary School	Provide necessary assurances to enable the Committee to consider their support for the conversion.	Open	Interim Executive director of Children's Services	TBC	No	Yes	No
Children & Families Committee	11/11/24	Proposed expansion of Springfield School onto a satellite site in Middlewich, and Proposed expansion of Springfield Wilmslow.	To report on the outcomes of a public consultation as to whether Springfield School, Crewe should be expanded onto a satellite site in Middlewich.  To report the outcomes of a public consultation as to whether Springfield Wilmslow campus should expand by 20 places for 4-16 year olds	Open	Interim Executive director of Children's Services	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Environment & Communities Committee	27/11/24	Libraries Strategy - Implementation	To seek approval to implement the final details of the Libraries Strategy.	Open	Executive Director of Place	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Environment & Communities Committee	27/11/24	Approval of Carbon Neutral 2045 Action Plan	To seek approval to adopt the action plan associated with the delivery of the Carbon Neutral 2045 borough target.	Open	Executive Director of Place	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Environment & Communities Committee	27/11/24	Waste Collections - residual waste	To seek approval to recommendations relating to the potential implementation of changes to residual waste collections, including feedback from a planned public consultation exercise (provisional report subject to Govt legislation announcement)	Open	Executive Director of Place	Yes	Yes	Yes	TBC
Adults & Health Committee	18/11/24	Care Provider Consortium	This report seeks approval to commission services for individuals with Complex Needs through a Cheshire East Care Provider Collaborative (CPC).	Open	Executive Director Adults, Health & Integration	TBC	Yes	TBC	TBC
Adults & Health Committee	18/11/24	Core Systems ACPH Procurement Decision	Re-procurement of core systems for Adult and Children services (case management,	Open	Executive Director Adults, Health & Integration	No	Yes	No	No

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			<p>financial payments, online services). There is a service requirement to continue with the existing case management, financial systems, and online provision for Adult and Children services as the current system contracts expire at the end of March 2025. An exercise has started to re-procure a new contract. As the procurement is in excess of £2M (4-year term), approval is sought to continue to contract signing. Funding is already in place for this ongoing essential system requirement.</p>						
Cheshire and Warrington Joint Committee	29/11/24	Connect to Work Programme (Universal Support)	To consider a report which outlines a programme of work which will support economic development	Open	Director of Economy and Housing	No	TBC	Yes	No

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			across Cheshire and Warrington.						
Economy and Growth Committee	14/01/25	Farms Review	To brief Members on the review and future options for CEC Farms	Green	Executive Director of Place	TBC	No	TBC	No
Adults and Health Committee	20/01/25	Substance Misuse Recommission	To ask permission for the service to be recommissioned	Fair	Executive Director of Adults, Health & Integration	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Highways & Transport Committee	23/01/25	Tree Planting and Verge Maintenance (Nature Based Approach) Policy	To seek approval for highways to adopt a tree planting and verge maintenance policy to allow its implementation from 2024/25 onwards.	Open;#Green	Director of Highways and Infrastructure	No	Yes	No	Yes
Corporate Policy Committee	06/02/25	Medium Term Financial Strategy 2025/26-2028/29 (Corporate Policy Committee)	To recommend the Medium-Term Financial Strategy for 2025 to 2029 to Council for approval. The report will incorporate the Council's Priorities, Budget, Policy Proposals and Capital Programme. The report will also include the Capital, Treasury Management, Investment and Reserves Strategies.	Open	Director of Finance & Customer Services	No	No	No	Yes

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Children & Families Committee	10/02/25	Schools Funding Formula and Early Years Funding Formula 2025/26	To provide committee with an update on the Dedicated School Grant (DSG) for 2024/25. To request approval for the allocation of each sub block making up the DSG. To request approval of the schools funding formula and early years funding formula following recommendations from the Schools Forum. To request approval to provide delegated authority to the Executive Director of Children's Services to use the funds in accordance with the relevant guidance and proposed funding formula methods.	Open	Executive director of Children's Services	No	Yes	No	No
Environment & Communities Committee	27/03/25	Cemeteries Investment Programme	To seek committee approval to the proposed investment programme for the Cheshire East Council operated cemeteries	Open	Executive Director of Place	No	No	Yes	Yes