

Forward Plan of Significant Decisions 2025-2026

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 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, significant decisions must be made by a Committee, Full Council or delegated to an officer by a Committee or Full Council, 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	Lead Officer	Exempt Item	Consultation	Equality Impact Assessment	Part of Budget and Policy Framework
Children & Families Committee	10/11/25	Holiday Activity and Food Programme 2026 to 2029	Approval of the Holiday and Activity Food Programme (HAF) to enter into an open procurement procedure to spend the total amount of the HAF grant as allocated by the Department for Education (DfE) each financial year.	Executive Director Children's Services	No	Yes	Yes	TBC
Corporate Policy Committee	27/11/25	Budget Approval and acceptance of DfT Grant for the Middlewich Eastern Bypass	To approve the budget and acceptance of DfT Grant for the Middlewich Eastern Bypass.	Executive Director of Resources, Section 151 Officer	TBC	No	TBC	No
Economy & growth Committee	13/01/26	Farms Review	To brief Members on the review and future options for CEC Farms	Executive Director Place	TBC	No	TBC	No
Children & Families Committee	19/01/26	Crisis and Resilience Fund 2026 - 2029 - Delivery Plan	Approval of the Crisis and Resilience Fund Delivery proposal for 2026/27, 2027/28 and 2028/29.	Executive Director Children's Services	No	No	Yes	Yes
Children & Families Committee	19/01/26	Expanding Specialist School Provision within Cheshire East - Westfields	To present committee with an options paper regarding the expansion of Specialist School Provision within Cheshire East - Westfields	Executive Director Children's Services	TBC	TBC	No	TBC

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Highways & Transport Committee	22/01/26	Decision to Let a Construction Contract for the Middlewich Eastern Bypass	To consider the options for funding and the letting of a construction contract for the Middlewich Eastern Bypass	Executive Director Place	No	No	No	Yes
Finance Sub Committee	30/01/26	Disposal of Earl Road, Handforth	The purpose of this report is to duly and properly consider the offers received following the completion of marketing operations in relation to the Land at Earl Road, Handforth, his report seeks a decision to proceed with the freehold disposal of the property to a Named Party.	Executive Director of Resources, Section 151 Officer	Yes in part	No	TBC	Yes
Corporate Policy Committee	05/02/26	Medium term Financial Strategy 2026/27 - 2029/30 (Corporate Policy Committee)	To recommend the Medium-Term Financial Strategy for 2026 to 2030 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 Strategy	Executive Director of Resources, Section 151 Officer	No	No	No	Yes
Corporate Policy Committee	05/02/26	Demand Responsive Transport (DRT) Modernisation	This report provides an update on the work to redesign and modernise the Council's demand responsive transport (DRT) services, in accordance with Highways & Transport Committee approvals (September 2024 and June 2025).	Executive Director Place	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC
Economy & Growth Committee	10/03/26	Review of the Cheshire East Common Allocations Policy	To seek approval to consult on proposed changes to the Cheshire East Common Allocations Policy, which is the policy which sets out how social housing located within Cheshire East will be allocated.	Executive Director Place	No	Yes	Yes	No
Adults & Health Committee	23/03/26	Procurement of an Integrated Sexual Health Service	Decision to reprocure a new sexual health service based on the model described in the report	Executive Director, Adults, Health and Integration	No	Yes	Yes	No