

FORWARD PLAN FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 31ST OCTOBER 2015

This Plan sets out the key decisions which the Executive expects to take over the period indicated above. The Plan is rolled forward every month. A key decision is defined in the Council's Constitution as:

“an executive decision which is likely –

- (a) to result in the 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 one or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the local authority.

For the purpose of the above, savings or expenditure are “significant” if they are equal to or greater than £1M.”

Reports relevant to key decisions, and any listed background documents, may be viewed at any of the Council's Offices/Information Centres 5 days before the decision is to be made. Copies of, or extracts from, these documents may be obtained on the payment of a reasonable fee from the following address:

Democratic Services Team
Cheshire East Council
c/o Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach Cheshire CW11 1HZ
Telephone: 01270 686472

However, it is not possible to make available for viewing or to supply copies of reports or documents the publication of which is restricted due to confidentiality of the information contained.

A record of each key decision is published within 6 days of it having been made. This is open for public inspection on the Council's Website, at Council Information Centres and at Council Offices.

This Forward Plan also provides notice that the Cabinet, or a Portfolio Holder, may decide to take a decision in private, that is, with the public and press excluded from the meeting. In accordance with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012, 28 clear days' notice must be given of any decision to be taken in private by the Cabinet or a Portfolio Holder, with provision for the public to make representations as to why the decision should be taken in public. In such cases, Members of the Council and the public may make representations in writing to the Democratic Services Team Manager using the contact details below. A further notice of intention to hold the meeting in private must then be published 5 clear days before the

meeting, setting out any representations received about why the meeting should be held in public, together with a response from the Leader and the Cabinet.

The list of decisions in this Forward Plan indicates whether a decision is to be taken in private, with the reason category for the decision being taken in private being drawn from the list overleaf:

1. Information relating to an individual
2. Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual
3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including to authority holding that information)
4. Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under the authority
5. Information in respect of which a claim to legal and professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings
6. Information which reveals that the authority proposes (a) to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or (b) to make an order or direction under any enactment
7. Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime

If you would like to make representations about any decision to be conducted in private at a meeting, please email:

Paul Mountford, Democratic Services Officer paul.mountford@cheshireeast.gov.uk

Such representations must be received at least 10 clear working days before the date of the Cabinet or Portfolio Holder meeting concerned.

Where it has not been possible to meet the 28 clear day rule for publication of notice of a key decision or intention to meet in private, the relevant notices will be published as soon as possible in accordance with the requirements of the Constitution.

The law and the Council's Constitution provide for urgent key decisions to be made. Any decision made in this way will be published in the same way.

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Key Decision and Private Non-Key Decision	Decisions to be Taken	Decision Maker	Expected Date of Decision	Proposed Consultation	How to make representation to the decision made	Private/ Confidential and paragraph number
CE 14/15-33 Strategic Asset Management Plan	To accept the new Strategic Asset Management Plan and authorise the officers to take all necessary actions to implement it.	Cabinet	21 Jul 2015		Julian Cobley	No
CE 15/16-3 Local Plan Strategy - Council Response to Inspector's Letter	To approve the Council's response to the Inspector's letter dated 12 th November 2014 detailing his interim views on the legal compliance and soundness of the submitted Local Plan Strategy. This will include details on potential changes to the Local Plan Strategy; the new evidence gathered during the suspension period and other related documents.	Cabinet	July 2015			No

Key Decision	Decisions to be Taken	Decision Maker	Expected Date of Decision	Proposed Consultation	How to make representation to the decision made	Private/ Confidential and paragraph number
CE 15/16-4 Authorisation Request to Proceed with Three Year Commission for Whole Family Domestic Abuse Services	To seek approval of a procurement process to secure comprehensive services for the prevention of and early response to medium risk domestic abuse as it impacts individuals, families and communities of Cheshire East and the authorisation of officers to taken all necessary actions to implement the proposal.	Cabinet	21 Jul 2015			No
CE 15/16-5 Cheshire Skills and Growth	To consider alternative delivery models for services that seek to stimulate skills and growth.	Cabinet	21 Jul 2015			No
CE 14/15-38 Cheshire East Housing Strategy 2016-2021	Initially to authorise officers to release a draft version of the Strategy for public consultation. Subject to the consultation response, ratify the Strategy and authorise officers to implement all initiatives and actions contained therein.	Cabinet	11 Aug 2015		Karen Carsberg	No

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CE 14/15-42 Cheshire East Indoor Facility and Playing Pitch Strategies	To adopt both the Indoor Facility and the Playing Pitch Strategies in support of the Council's Local Plan.	Cabinet	8 Sep 2015		Mark Wheelton	No
CE 15/16-6 Sydney Road Bridge Replacement Scheme	Sydney Road Bridge crosses the West Coast Main Line (Crewe to Manchester line). The existing bridge is a narrow signal controlled single carriageway structure. The scheme seeks to increase capacity at this pinch point by replacing the existing structure with a wider structure capable of allowing two-way traffic. The report will outline the work required to move the scheme forward through the statutory process and to authorise officers to take all necessary actions to implement the proposal.	Cabinet	8 Sep 2015			No

Key Decision	Decisions to be Taken	Decision Maker	Expected Date of Decision	Proposed Consultation	How to make representation to the decision made	Private/ Confidential and paragraph number
CE 15/16-7 Congleton Link Road - Procurement Strategy	The Congleton Link Road focuses on development and growth within Congleton, securing employment opportunities, attracting investment and easing long standing traffic congestion and associated environmental issues in the town. The report will outline the work undertaken to identify the procurement process to appoint a contractor in order to construct the scheme. The report will also seek authority for the officers to undertake all necessary actions to implement the proposal.	Cabinet	8 Sep 2015		Paul Griffiths	No

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CE 15/16/8 Poynton Relief Road - Procurement Strategy	The Poynton Relief Road forms an important part of the Council's strategy of enabling job creation, delivering housing growth and addressing long standing traffic congestion and environmental issues in the town, as well as delivering an important part of the wider SEMMMS Strategy. The report will outline the work undertaken to identify the procurement process to appoint a contractor in order to construct the scheme. The report will also seek authority for the officers to undertake all necessary actions to implement the proposal.	Cabinet	13 Oct 2015		Paul Griffiths	No
CE 15/16-9 Medium Term Financial Strategy 2016-19	To approve the Medium Term Financial Strategy for 2016-19, incorporating the Council's priorities, Budget, Policy Proposals and Capital Programme.	Council	25 Feb 2016		Alex Thompson	No