

Forward Plan of Significant Decisions 1 May 2023 to 31 August 2023

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

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15 Jun 2023	Corporate Policy Committee	Targeted Review of Members' Allowances	To recommend to Council member allowances for the new Council.	Director of Governance and Compliance (Monitoring Officer)	Discussions with Group Leaders in January-February 2023.	No	Yes	Open	No
6 Jul 2023	Corporate Policy Committee	Integrated Health Care Partnership	TBC	Executive Director Adults, Health and Integration	TBC	TBC	TBC	Open	TBC

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6 Jul 2023	Corporate Policy Committee	Office Estate Rationalisation Project	Report seeking authority to commence consultation with staff that may be impacted through reducing the number of buildings in the Corporate Estate.	Director of Finance and Customer Services (s151 Officer)	To include formal consultation with staff and Trade Unions. Timeline TBC	Yes	Yes	Open	No
6 Jul 2023	Corporate Policy Committee	Developing a New Corporate Plan	To approve a process and timeline for the development of a new Corporate Plan.	Chief Executive	Yes	Yes	No	Open	No
6 Jul 2023	Corporate Policy Committee	The Medium Term Financial Strategy	To approve a process and timeline for the development of the Medium Term Financial Strategy.	Director of Finance and Customer Services (s151 Officer)	Details to be confirmed	Yes	Yes	Open	No
10 Jul 2023	Children and Families Committee	School Catering Review Outcomes	To consider the recommended outcomes from the review of school catering.	Director of Education and 14-19 Skills	No	Yes	Yes	Fair	
11 Jul 2023	Economy and Growth Committee	Cheshire East Common Allocations Policy Review	To seek approval to carry out a full review of the existing Cheshire East Common Allocations Policy, which sets out how social housing across Cheshire East will be allocated.	Director of Growth and Enterprise		Yes	Yes	Fair	No
11 Jul 2023	Economy and Growth Committee	Housing Development Framework - Update	To provide an update on the Housing Development Framework and seek further approval to procure outside of the framework should the Council be unsuccessful in securing a successful bid through the mini competition process.	Director of Growth and Enterprise		No	Yes	Green	Appendix be confidential 3

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11 Jul 2023	Economy and Growth Committee	Recommissioning of Housing Related Support Contracts	To seek approval to commence with the recommissioning of Housing Related Support Contracts following a review of our existing commissioned services and to delegate authority to award the contracts following tendering. The current contracts are due to end in March 2024.	Director of Growth and Enterprise		Yes	Yes	Green	No
11 Jul 2023	Economy and Growth Committee	Royal Arcade Phase 2, Crewe	To consider proposals on the delivery of Phase 2 of the Royal Arcade scheme in Crewe town centre.	Director of Growth and Enterprise		No	No	Fair; Green; Open	Yes/3, 5 and 7A
20 Jul 2023	Highways and Transport Committee	Street Lighting Energy Savings: Consultation Proposals and Options Update	Update Committee and seek approval to consult on a range of options proposed to deliver energy saving measures set-out in MTFS.	Director of Highways and Infrastructure	Y	Y	Y	Open	N/A
27 Jul 2023	Environment and Communities Committee	Libraries Service Review	To update Members on progress and outcomes from the public consultation and approve the details of the implementation plan for the review, in line with the Council MTFS decision.	Director of Environment and Neighbourhood Services	Yes	Yes	Yes	Open	

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27 Jul 2023	Environment and Communities Committee	Local Plan Next Steps	To consider the implications of the government's national planning reforms on the Council's new Local Plan programme, and to decide whether the Plan will be taken forward under the current legislative and national policy framework or be prepared as a new style plan under the revised legislative and national policy framework.	Director of Environment and Neighbourhood Services	No	No	Yes	Fair	
27 Jul 2023	Environment and Communities Committee	Review of Waste Collection - Green Waste	To approve the details of implementation of the paid subscription scheme for green waste collections.	Director of Environment and Neighbourhood Services	No	Yes	Yes	Open	
18 Sep 2023	Children and Families Committee	Complex Needs Commissioning	This report seeks approval to establish a shared marketplace for the future procurement of care and support services across both health and social care for individuals with complex needs, including those individuals in transition to adulthood who have a learning disability and or mental health support needs.	Director of Commissioning	No	Yes	No	Fair	No

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18 Sep 2023	Children and Families Committee	Dedicated Schools Grant Management Plan 2023/24 to 2027/28	To request approval of the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) Management Plan for the period 2023/24 to 2027/28 by Children and Families Committee. The plan has been subject to an annual update based on latest information, as requested by members.	Director of Education and 14-19 Skills	No	Yes	Yes	Fair	No
21 Sep 2023	Highways and Transport Committee	Flowerpot Junction Improvement Scheme	Authorise to make Compulsory Purchase Orders and Side Road Orders for the delivery of the Flowerpot Junction Improvement Scheme and to approve the forward funding of the additional developer contributions in accordance with the capital programme.	Director of Highways and Infrastructure	Y	Y	Y	Green	Y (in part)
21 Sep 2023	Highways and Transport Committee	Middlewich Eastern Bypass Full Business Case Approval	To approve the full business for the scheme for submission to DfT	Director of Highways and Infrastructure	N/A	N	N	Green	N
25 Sep 2023	Adults and Health Committee	Complex Needs Commissioning	To seek approval to establish a shared marketplace for the future procurement of care and support services across both health and social care for individuals with complex needs, including those individuals in transition to adulthood who have a learning disability and or mental health support needs	Director of Commissioning	No	Y	N	Fair	N

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25 Sep 2023	Adults and Health Committee	Supported Employment Strategy and implementation plan	To approve the Supported Employment Strategy and implementation plan.	Director of Commissioning	Y	Required	Y		N
28 Sep 2023	Environment and Communities Committee	Green Spaces Maintenance Review Update	To update Members on progress with the review, seek approval subject to consultation of a policy document setting out typologies of site grounds maintenance by different site types and also present a proposed recommendation relating to those sites currently maintained but not in the Council's ownership and/or which it holds a legal responsibility to do so.	Director of Environment and Neighbourhood Services	No	Yes	Yes	Green	
5 Oct 2023	Corporate Policy Committee	Procurement of Contract to Secure Temporary/Agency Staff	To approve the procurement of a contract to replace the current Comensura contract.	Executive Director Corporate Services	TBC	TBC	TBC	Open	TBC
23 Nov 2023	Highways and Transport Committee	A500 Full Business Case Approval	To approve the full business for the scheme for submission to DfT.	Director of Highways and Infrastructure	N/A	N	N	Green	N/A
23 Nov 2023	Highways and Transport Committee	Pedestrian Crossings (Uncontrolled and Controlled) Policy	To seek approval to adopt an updated Pedestrian Crossings (uncontrolled and controlled) Policy to allow implementation from 2023/24 onwards.	Director of Highways and Infrastructure	Y	N	Y	Open	N/A

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18 Jan 2024	Corporate Policy Committee	Pay Policy Statement 2024/25	To seek approval of the Pay Policy Statement 2024/25. The changes from the 2023/24 PPS will be highlighted in the report and a copy of the revised PPS will be enclosed once drafted.	Executive Director Corporate Services	Yes	No	No	Open	No
25 Jan 2024	Highways and Transport Committee	Parking Review Implementation Plan	To seek a decision to implement outcomes of the boroughwide review of Cheshire East Council car parks, in accordance with measures defined in the adopted Medium Term Financial Strategy and taking account of the outcomes of public consultation on proposals relating to both on-street and off-street parking provision.	Director of Highways and Infrastructure	Y	Y	Y	Green	N/A
25 Jan 2024	Highways and Transport Committee	Tree Planting and Verge Maintenance (Nature Based Approach) Policy	To seek approval to adopt a Tree Planting and Verge Maintenance Policy to allow its implementation from 2023/24 onwards.	Director of Highways and Infrastructure	Y	N	Y		N/A

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8 Feb 2024	Corporate Policy Committee	Medium Term Financial Strategy 2024/25-2027/28	To recommend the Medium Term Financial Strategy for 2024-2028 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.	Director of Finance and Customer Services (s151 Officer)	No	No	Yes	Open	No
TBC	Environment and Communities Committee	Strategic Leisure Review Update	To provide an update to Committee on progress with the review and proposed approach in advance of a formal public consultation in late 2023 / early 2024.	Director of Environment and Neighbourhood Services	No	Yes	Yes	Open	
TBC	Environment and Communities Committee	Alley Gating Public Spaces Protection Order	To receive and approve an extension and variation to the existing Order.	Director of Environment and Neighbourhood Services	Yes	Yes	No	Fair	
TBC	Environment and Communities Committee	Dog Fouling and Dog Control Public Spaces Protection Order	To receive and approve an extension to the existing Order.	Director of Environment and Neighbourhood Services	Yes	Yes	No	Fair	
TBC	Finance Sub-Committee	Review of ASDV Governance	To recommend revised governance structures in the running of the council's wholly-owned companies.	Director of Governance and Compliance (Monitoring Officer)	No	No	Yes	Open	No