

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
Economy & growth Committee	09/09/25	Crewe Town Centre Regeneration Programme	To update committee on the Crewe Town Centre Regeneration Programme and to seek approvals for any recommendation actions.	Executive Director Place	Yes, in part	Yes	TBC	TBC
Economy & Growth Committee	09/09/25	Garden Village Handforth Delivery	To seek approval for officers to proceed to commit funds to enable detailed design and delivery of early phase initial infrastructure works, and to appraise committee of potential necessary refinements to the delivery strategy for later phased works.	Executive Director Place	No	TBC	Yes	Yes
Children & Families Committee	15/09/25	Basford East, Shavington – New primary school.	To progress with the new school at Basford East	Executive Director Children's Services	Yes, in part	TBC	TBC	TBC
Children & Families Committee	15/09/25	Outcome of consultation on Domestic Abuse Strategy and plan to secure required provision	To update Committee on the outcome of the consultation on the draft Domestic Abuse Strategy (see also papers for June 2025 Committee) and how key recommendations will be implemented from Autumn 2025 onwards	Executive Director Children's Services	TBC	Yes	Yes	TBC
Children & Families Committee	15/09/25	Final proposed model for 16-25 accommodation with support	This report build on the approved June 2025 Committee paper to set out a fully developed model to meet the Council's sufficiency duty to provide homes with support for 16-17 year old Cared for Children, Care Leavers aged 18-25,	Executive Director Children's Services	No	Yes	Yes	TBC

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			and Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking young people aged 16-25. This will include details of engagement with the provider market, young people, professionals and other stakeholders.					
Economy & growth Committee	11/11/25	Farms Review	To brief Members on the review and future options for CEC Farms	Executive Director Place	TBC	No	TBC	No
Economy & growth Committee	11/11/25	Knutsford BID Ballot	<p>A formal notification has been submitted to the Council, setting out the intention of Groundwork Cheshire, Lancashire & Merseyside, acting on behalf of the Knutsford Business Improvement District Steering Group requesting that Cheshire East Council put a proposal for a Knutsford Business Improvement District (BID) to a postal ballot.</p> <p>As the Council is responsible for the payment of business rates for thirteen premises within the proposed BID area, it is entitled to thirteen votes in the BID ballot. This report considers whether the Council should vote in the ballot and if so, how it should vote.</p> <p>Additionally, this report seeks to confirm arrangements for Council representation on, and supporting, any BID Board established in the event the BID is successful at ballot.</p>	Executive Director Place	TBC	Yes	No	No
Highways & Transport Committee	20/11/25	Delay to Department for Transport decision on Middlewich Eastern Bypass	To consider the Council's options as a result of the delay to the Department for Transport's (DfT) programmed funding decision on the Middlewich Eastern Bypass.	Executive Director Place	No	No	No	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	Interim Executive Director of Resources, Section 151 Officer	No	No	No	Yes