

FORWARD PLAN - 31 JANUARY 2015

This Plan sets out the key decisions which the Executive expect to take over the period indicated above. The Plan is rolled forward every month. Key decisions are 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 £500,000.”

Reports relevant to key decisions, and any listed background documents, may be viewed at any of the Councils 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 the decision for 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 Council Offices.

This Forward Plan also provides notice that the Cabinet may decide to take a decision in private. In accordance with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012, 28 days notice must be given of any decisions to be made in private by the Cabinet, with provision for the public to make representations as to why they should be made in public. In these 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 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 that 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 then please email

Paul Mountford, Democratic Services Officer paul.mountford@cheshitreeeast.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 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 provides for urgent key decisions to be made. Any decision made in this way will be published for these in the same way.

Forward Plan to 31 January 2015

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 14/15-5 Alderley Park Investment Fund	To authorise the officers to take all necessary actions to undertake the proposed investment as recommended by the Independent Options Appraisal.	Cabinet	16 Sep 2014			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 14/15-22 Key Worker Accommodation	<p>To consider an approach to facilitating the inclusion of key workers in housing policy, setting out an interim and formal approach through the planning process. The decision will be to authorise:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. an interim approach, including the definition of a key worker; 2. officers to carry out the primary research to establish the need for key worker housing provision; 3. the need for key worker housing provision, once established, to be incorporated into the development of the Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document. 	Cabinet	16 Sep 2014		Karen Carsberg	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 14/15-11 Homeless Strategy 2014-17	<p>To authorise the officers to begin a six week consultation phase with the public and professionals, internally, externally and in all sectors (including voluntary and third sector), on the proposed Homeless Strategy, commencing at the end of July 2014. The consultation will be authorised by the Portfolio Holder for Housing and Jobs on 28th July 2014.</p> <p>Subject to the outcome of the consultation, Cabinet on 14th October 2014 will be asked to approve the Homeless Strategy for adoption.</p>	Cabinet	11 Nov 2014			No
CE 14/15-14 Macclesfield Town Centre Housing Strategy	To decide whether to approve and adopt the strategy in light of the public consultation outcome, and to authorise the officers to implement all associated actions and initiatives.	Cabinet	11 Nov 2014	There will be a public consultation exercise in July, the outcome of which will be reported to Cabinet.	Karen Carsberg	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
CE14/15-18 Cheshire Homechoice - Allocation Policy Review	<p>To approve the final version of the Cheshire Homechoice Policy for adoption and authorise officers to take all necessary steps to implement the revised Housing Allocation Policy.</p> <p>Cheshire Homechoice is the Choice Based Lettings Partnership between Cheshire East Council and Registered Providers who allocate Social Housing in Cheshire East.</p>	Cabinet	9 Dec 2014		Karen Carsberg	