

The Cabinet Forward Plan - January 2024 - April 2024 (Publication date – 21 DECEMBER 2023)

Explanatory Note:

This Forward Plan contains future items to be considered by the Cabinet and Council. It is published 28 days before the next meeting of the Committee. The plan includes items for the meeting including key decisions. Each item shows if it is 'open' to the public or to be considered in a private part of the meeting.

Definition of Key Decisions

Key decisions are defined in Dorset Council's Constitution as decisions of the Cabinet which are likely to -

- (a) to result in the relevant local authority incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the relevant local authority's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates (*Thresholds £500k*); or
- (b) to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the relevant local authority."

In determining the meaning of "significant" for these purposes the Council will have regard to any guidance issued by the Secretary of State in accordance with section 9Q of the Local Government Act 2000 Act. Officers will consult with lead members to determine significance and sensitivity.

Cabinet Portfolio Holders 2023/24

Spencer Flower Leader / Governance, Performance and Communications
Gary Suttle Deputy Leader and Finance, Commercial and Capital Strategy

Ray Bryan Highways, Travel and Environment

Jill Haynes Corporate Development and Transformation

Laura Beddow Culture and Communities

Simon Gibson Economic Growth and Levelling Up

Andrew Parry Assets and Property

Byron Quayle Jane SomperPeople – Children, Education, Skills, and Early Help
People - Adult Social Care, Health, and Housing

David Walsh Planning

Subject / Decision	Decision Maker	Date the Decision is Due	Other Committee(s) consulted and Date of meeting(s)	Portfolio Holder	Officer Contact
January 2024					
Quarter 3 Financial Monitoring Report 2023/24 Key Decision - No Public Access - Open To consider the Quarter 3 Financial Monitoring Report 2023/24.	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 30 Jan 2024		Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Finance, Commercial and Capital Strategy	Sean Cremer, Corporate Director for Finance and Commercial sean.cremer@dorsetcouncil .gov.uk Executive Director, Corporate Development - Section 151 Officer (Aidan Dunn)
Budget strategy and medium-term financial plan (MTFP) Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Open To consider a report of the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Commercial and Capital Assets.	Decision Maker Dorset Council	Decision Date 13 Feb 2024	Cabinet 20 Jan 2024 Place and Resources Scrutiny Committee 17 Jan 2024 People and Health Scrutiny Committee 12 Jan 2024	Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Finance, Commercial and Capital Strategy	Sean Cremer, Corporate Director for Finance and Commercial sean.cremer@dorsetcouncil .gov.uk Executive Director, Corporate Development - Section 151 Officer (Aidan Dunn)
Voluntary and Community Sector Strategy Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Open The new Voluntary and Community Sector Strategy aims to set out how Dorset Council will enable a thriving, sustainable and dynamic voluntary, and community sector to flourish and help improve the lives of individuals and communities in Dorset over coming years.	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 30 Jan 2024		Portfolio Holder for Culture and Communities	Laura Cornette, Business Partner - Communities and Partnerships Laura.cornette@dorsetcoun cil.gov.uk Executive Director, Corporate Development - Section 151 Officer (Aidan Dunn)

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Community Asset Transfer Policy Key Decision - No Public Access - Open Update of Community Asset Transfer Policy	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 30 Jan 2024	Place and Resources Overview Committee 23 Jan 2024	Portfolio Holder for Assets and Property	Carly Galloway, Senior Projects, Contracts & Funding Manager carly.galloway @dorsetcoun cil.gov.uk, Tim Hulme, Head of Assets and Property tim.hulme @dorsetcouncil.g ov.uk Executive Director, Place (John Sellgren)
Determination of Dorset Council's Admissions Arrangements 2025-2026 Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Open Annual duty for the Council to determine a suite of policies in relation to the Admissions Arrangements for Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools. These policies have to be determined by the 26 February in the year prior to their implementation.	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 30 Jan 2024		Portfolio Holder for People - Children, Education, Skills and Early Help	Ed Denham, School Admissions Manager ed.denham@dorsetcouncil. gov.uk, Amanda Davis, Corporate Director for Education and Learning amanda.davis@dorsetcoun cil.gov.uk Executive Director, People - Children (Theresa Leavy)

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Pan-Dorset Safeguarding Children Partnership PDSCP Annual Report Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Open The PDSCP Annual Report provides an overview of multi-agency safeguarding practice over the year. It outlines key work within the partnership and priorities for forthcoming years. The RDSCP has a duty to produce an annual report under government guidance (working Together 2018).	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 30 Jan 2024		Portfolio Holder for People - Children, Education, Skills and Early Help	Laurence Doe, PDSCP Business Manager laurence.doe@dorsetcounci l.gov.uk Executive Director, People - Children (Theresa Leavy)
A Devolution Deal for Dorset Expression of Interest Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Open To seek approval to formulate an expression of interest with partner councils to make an application To seek approval to formulate an expression of interest with partner councils to make an application to Government for a devolution deal.to Government for a devolution deal.	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 30 Jan 2024		Portfolio Holder for Economic Growth and Levelling Up	Steven Ford, Corporate Director for Transformation, Innovation, Digital, and Environment steven.ford@dorsetcouncil. gov.uk Executive Director, Place (John Sellgren)

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Dorset Harbours Five Year Business Plan Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Open To consider the Dorset Harbours Five Year Business Plan.	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 30 Jan 2024	Harbours Advisory Committee 22 Nov 2023	Portfolio Holder for Highways, Travel and Environment	Ed Carter, Weymouth Harbour Master ed.carter@dorsetcouncil.go v.uk Executive Director, Place (John Sellgren)
Care Dorset Holdings Ltd Annual Performance Report 2023 Key Decision - No Public Access - Open To consider the performance report produced by Care Dorset Holdings Ltd.	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 30 Jan 2024	Shareholder Committee for Care Dorset Holdings Ltd 6 Dec 2023	Portfolio Holder for People - Adult Social Care, Health and Housing	Vivienne Broadhurst, Executive Director - People Adults Vivienne.broadhurst@dorse tcouncil.gov.uk Executive Director, People - Adults
Dorset Centre of Excellence Annual Performance Report November 2023 Key Decision - No Public Access - Open To consider the performance report produced by Dorset Centre of Excellence.	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 30 Jan 2024	The Shareholder Committee for the Dorset Centre of Excellence (DCOE) 20 Nov 2023	Portfolio Holder for People - Children, Education, Skills and Early Help	Theresa Leavy, Executive Director of People - Children theresa.leavy@dorsetcounc il.gov.uk Executive Director, People - Children (Theresa Leavy)

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Weymouth Regeneration - Levelling Up Fund Progress & Next Steps Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Part exempt To update Cabinet on progress since the November 2023 report and seeks approval for the step necessary to progress the relevant sites.	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 30 Jan 2024		Portfolio Holder for Economic Growth and Levelling Up	Julian Wain, Strategic Property Advisor Julian.wain@dorsetcouncil. gov.uk Executive Director, Place (John Sellgren)
Land at Whitepit farm, Shillingstone Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Fully exempt A report seeking approval to the sale of Whitepit Farm, Shillingstone	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 30 Jan 2024		Portfolio Holder for Assets and Property	Jon Morgan, Development Manager jon.morgan@dorsetcouncil. gov.uk Executive Director, Place (John Sellgren)

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Procurement Forward Plan Report - Over £500k (2023-2025) Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Open The Council defines a key decision, in terms of procurement activity, as those with financial consequence of £500k or more. This report will provide notice of the planned/known procurement activities that Cabinet will need to make a key decision on	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 12 Mar 2024	Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Finance, Commercial and Capital Strategy	Dawn Adams, Service Manager for Commercial and Procurement dawn.adams@dorsetcounci l.gov.uk Chief Executive (Matt Prosser)
for 2024/25.				

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Equality, Diversity & Inclusion (EDI) Strategy Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Open To seek approval of the refreshed EDI Strategy for Dorset Council.	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 12 Mar 2024		Portfolio Holder for Corporate Development and Transformation	Jennifer Lowis, Head of Strategic Communications and Engagement jennifer.lowis @dorsetcounci l.gov.uk, James Palfreman- Kay, Equality, Diveristy & Inclusion Officer james.palfreman- kay @dorsetcouncil.gov.uk Executive Director, Corporate Development - Section 151 Officer (Aidan Dunn)
Grid Capacity Task & Finish Group Key Decision - No Public Access - Open The final report of Place and Resources Scrutiny Committee's grid capacity task and finish group, which was established to review the strategically significant issue of Dorset's constrained grid capacity. The report will summarise its findings and recommendations for the future.	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 12 Mar 2024	Place and Resources Scrutiny Committee 26 Feb 2024	Portfolio Holder for Highways, Travel and Environment	Antony Littlechild, Sustainability Team Manager antony.littlechild@dorsetcou ncil.gov.uk, Carl Warom, Climate and Ecological Policy and Project Manager carl.warom@dorsetcouncil. gov.uk Executive Director, Place (John Sellgren)
BCP Local Plan consultation response Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Open Proposed for change set out in an invest to save business case.	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 12 Mar 2024		Portfolio Holder for Planning	Terry Sneller, Strategic Planning Manager terry.sneller@dorsetcouncil. gov.uk Executive Director, Place (John Sellgren)

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Family Hub network development Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Open This report outlines proposals for the development of Dorset's Family Hub Network Model in line with requirements of the DfE's grant funded Transformation Programme, local need and strategic priorities.	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 12 Mar 2024	People and Health Overview Committee 6 Feb 2024	Portfolio Holder for People - Children, Education, Skills and Early Help	Elizabeth Saunders, Interim Corporate Director of Commissioning elizabeth.saunders@dorset council.gov.uk Executive Director, People - Children (Theresa Leavy)
Business Case - commercialisation of digital innovation Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Open A business case looking at the costs and benefits of a special purpose vehicle to support the council's digital innovation ambitions.	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 12 Mar 2024	Place and Resources Overview Committee	Portfolio Holder for Corporate Development and Transformation, Councillor Simon Gibson, Councillor Andrew Parry	Nick Webster, Head of Growth and Economic Regeneration nicholas.webster@dorsetco uncil.gov.uk, Colin Wood, Programme Manager - 5G and Mobile colin.wood@dorsetcouncil.g ov.uk Executive Director, Place (John Sellgren)
Allocation of S106 Funding for community facilities at Mampitts Green, Shaftesbury Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Open To determine the award of s106 developer contribution funding for the delivery of community facilities at Mampitts Green, Shaftesbury	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 12 Mar 2024		Portfolio Holder for Planning	Andrew Galpin, Infrastructure & Delivery Planning Manager andrew.galpin@dorsetcoun cil.gov.uk, Mike Garrity, Head of Planning mike.garrity@dorsetcouncil. gov.uk Executive Director, Place (John Sellgren)

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Community Infrastructure Levy - Exception Circumstances Policy for the Purbeck area Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Open To agree and adopt the draft order.	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 12 Mar 2024		Portfolio Holder for Planning	Andrew Galpin, Infrastructure & Delivery Planning Manager andrew.galpin@dorsetcoun cil.gov.uk Executive Director, Place (John Sellgren)

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Quarter 4 Financial Monitoring 2023/24 Key Decision - No Public Access - Open	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 16 Apr 2024	Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Finance, Commercial and Capital Strategy	Sean Cremer, Corporate Director for Finance and Commercial sean.cremer@dorsetcouncil .gov.uk
To consider the Quarter 4 Financial Monitoring Report 2024/25.				Executive Director, Corporate Development - Section 151 Officer (Aidan Dunn)

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Private/Exempt Items for Decision

Each item in the plan above marked as 'private' will refer to one of the following paragraphs.

- 1. Information relating to any 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 the 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 professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.
- 6. Information which reveals that the shadow council 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.