



**The Cabinet Forward Plan - November 2023 to February 2024  
For the period 1 OCTOBER 2023 to 31 JANUARY 2024  
(Publication date – 9 OCTOBER 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**

<b>Spencer Flower</b>	Leader / Governance, Performance and Communications
<b>Gary Suttle</b>	Deputy Leader and Finance, Commercial and Capital Strategy
<b>Ray Bryan</b>	Highways, Travel and Environment
<b>Jill Haynes</b>	Corporate Development and Transformation
<b>Laura Beddow</b>	Culture and Communities
<b>Simon Gibson</b>	Economic Growth and Levelling Up
<b>Andrew Parry</b>	Assets and Property
<b>Byron Quayle</b>	People – Children, Education, Skills, and Early Help
<b>Jane Somper</b>	People - Adult Social Care, Health, and Housing
<b>David Walsh</b>	Planning

Subject / Decision	Decision Maker	Date the Decision is Due	Other Committee(s) consulted and Date of meeting(s)	Portfolio Holder	Officer Contact
<b>November</b>					
<p><b>Families First for Children Pathfinder</b></p> <p><b>Key Decision - Yes</b> <b>Public Access - Open</b></p> <p>To consider a report regarding the Families First for Children Pathfinder.</p>	<p><b>Decision Maker Cabinet</b></p>	<p><b>Decision Date 7 Nov 2023</b></p>	<p>People and Health Overview Committee 17 Oct 2023</p>	<p>Portfolio Holder for People - Children, Education, Skills and Early Help</p>	<p><i>Paul Dempsey, Corporate Director - Care &amp; Protection Tel: 01305 224513 paul.dempsey@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk Executive Director, People - Children (Theresa Leavy)</i></p>
<p><b>Report on the Dorset Education Board</b></p> <p><b>Key Decision - Yes</b> <b>Public Access - Open</b></p>	<p><b>Decision Maker Cabinet</b></p>	<p><b>Decision Date 7 Nov 2023</b></p>	<p>People and Health Overview Committee 17 Oct 2023</p>	<p>Portfolio Holder for People - Children, Education, Skills and Early Help</p>	<p><i>Amanda Davis, Corporate Director for Education and Learning amanda.davis@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk Executive Director, People - Children (Theresa Leavy)</i></p>
<p><b>Dog Related Public Spaces Protection Order- Renewal</b></p> <p><b>Key Decision - Yes</b> <b>Public Access - Open</b></p> <p>To agree and adopt the draft order.</p>	<p><b>Decision Maker Cabinet</b></p>	<p><b>Decision Date 7 Nov 2023</b></p>	<p>Place and Resources Overview Committee 5 Oct 2023</p>	<p>Portfolio Holder for Culture and Communities</p>	<p><i>Janet Moore, Service Manager for Environmental Protection Janet.Moore@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk Executive Director, Place (John Sellgren)</i></p>

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<p><b>Quarter 2 Financial Monitoring 2023/24</b></p> <p><b>Key Decision - No Public Access - Open</b></p> <p>To consider the Quarter 2 Financial Monitoring Report 2023/24.</p>	<p><b>Decision Maker Cabinet</b></p>	<p><b>Decision Date 7 Nov 2023</b></p>		<p>Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Finance, Commercial and Capital Strategy</p>	<p><i>Sean Cremer, Corporate Director for Finance and Commercial</i>  <i>sean.cremer@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk</i>  <i>Executive Director, Corporate Development - Section 151 Officer (Aidan Dunn)</i></p>
<p><b>Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) and Budget Strategy</b></p> <p><b>Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Open</b></p> <p>To receive a budget update for 2024/25.</p>	<p><b>Decision Maker Cabinet</b></p>	<p><b>Decision Date 7 Nov 2023</b></p>		<p>Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Finance, Commercial and Capital Strategy</p>	<p><i>Sean Cremer, Corporate Director for Finance and Commercial</i>  <i>sean.cremer@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk</i>  <i>Executive Director, Corporate Development - Section 151 Officer (Aidan Dunn)</i></p>
<p><b>Our Future Council - Business Case</b></p> <p><b>Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Open</b></p> <p>Proposals for change set out in an invest to save business case.</p>	<p><b>Decision Maker Cabinet</b></p>	<p><b>Decision Date 7 Nov 2023</b></p>		<p>Portfolio Holder for Culture and Communities</p>	<p><i>Lisa Cotton, Corporate Director for Customer and Cultural Services</i>  <i>lisa.cotton@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk</i>, <i>Nina Coakley, Head of Change</i>  <i>n.coakley@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk</i>  <i>Executive Director, Corporate Development - Section 151 Officer (Aidan Dunn), Matt Prosser</i></p>

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<p><b>Making Care Experience a Protected Characteristic - local adoption</b></p> <p><b>Key Decision</b> - Yes  <b>Public Access</b> - Open            To adopt care experience as a protected characteristic.</p>	<p><b>Decision Maker Cabinet</b></p>	<p><b>Decision Date 7 Nov 2023</b></p>	<p>Place and Resources Overview Committee            17 Oct 2023</p>	<p>Portfolio Holder for People - Children, Education, Skills and Early Help</p>	<p><i>Paul Dempsey, Corporate Director - Care &amp; Protection            Tel: 01305 224513            paul.dempsey@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk            Executive Director, People - Children (Theresa Leavy)</i></p>
<p><b>Chesil Bank Neighbourhood Plan 2022-2023</b></p> <p><b>Key Decision</b> - Yes  <b>Public Access</b> - Open            An item relating to the making (adoption) of the neighbourhood plan following independent examination and a public referendum.</p>	<p><b>Decision Maker Cabinet</b></p>	<p><b>Decision Date 7 Nov 2023</b></p>		<p>Portfolio Holder for Planning</p>	<p><i>Ed Gerry, Community Planning Manager            ed.gerry@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk            Executive Director, Place (John Sellgren)</i></p>
<p><b>Expansion of funded childcare offer from April 2024</b></p> <p><b>Key Decision</b> - Yes  <b>Public Access</b> - Open            The intention of this Cabinet paper is to consider the expansion of funded childcare from April 2024 and support our longer term vision of working with Early Years settings to ensure there is sufficient childcare available for children in Dorset for working families and those in education or training.</p>	<p><b>Decision Maker Cabinet</b></p>	<p><b>Decision Date 7 Nov 2023</b></p>	<p>People and Health Overview Committee            17 Oct 2023</p>	<p>Portfolio Holder for People - Children, Education, Skills and Early Help</p>	<p><i>Liz Curtis-Jones liz.curtis-jones@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk            Executive Director, People - Children (Theresa Leavy)</i></p>

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<p><b>Weymouth Regeneration - Levelling Up Funding and Approach</b></p> <p><b>Key Decision</b> - Yes  <b>Public Access</b> - Part exempt            To approve the proposed approach to the delivery of the Levelling Up Fund project and finances and to seek endorsement of the priorities for regeneration</p>	<p><b>Decision Maker Cabinet</b></p>	<p><b>Decision Date 7 Nov 2023</b></p>		<p>Portfolio Holder for Economic Growth and Levelling Up</p>	<p><i>Peter Hopkins, Corporate Director - Assets and Property            peter.hopkins@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk, Julian Wain, Strategic Property Advisor            Julian.wain@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk            Executive Director, Place (John Sellgren)</i></p>
<p><b>Blandford Waste Management Centre - Update on finance and land acquisition</b></p> <p><b>Key Decision</b> - Yes  <b>Public Access</b> - Part exempt</p>	<p><b>Decision Maker Cabinet</b></p>	<p><b>Decision Date 7 Nov 2023</b></p>		<p>Portfolio Holder for Culture and Communities</p>	<p><i>Gemma Clinton, Head of Commercial Waste and Strategy            gemma.clinton@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk, Jason Jones, Group Manager (Commissioning)            jason.jones@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk            Executive Director, Place (John Sellgren)</i></p>
<p><b>Grant funding from CIL for nitrogen mitigation, Poole Harbour Catchment</b></p> <p><b>Key Decision</b> - Yes  <b>Public Access</b> - Fully exempt            Approval required as to whether mitigation for development already granted permission should continue to be delivered using CIL funds given amendments to the Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill.</p>	<p><b>Decision Maker Cabinet</b></p>	<p><b>Decision Date 7 Nov 2023</b></p>		<p>Portfolio Holder for Planning</p>	<p><i>Steve Boyt, Senior Planning Policy Officer            steve.boyt@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk, Lyn Cooch, Senior Nutrient Project Officer            lyn.cooch@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk            Executive Director, Place (John Sellgren)</i></p>

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<p><b>The Proposed Sale of Clapcotts Farmstead, Spetisbury</b></p> <p><b>Key Decision</b> - Yes <b>Public Access</b> - Fully exempt</p> <p>To seek approval to the sale of Clapcotts Farmstead, Spetisbury.</p>	<p><b>Decision Maker Cabinet</b></p>	<p><b>Decision Date 7 Nov 2023</b></p>		<p>Portfolio Holder for Assets and Property</p>	<p><i>Tim Hulme, Head of Assets and Property tim.hulme@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk Executive Director, Place (John Sellgren)</i></p>
<p><b>December</b></p>					
<p><b>Housing Strategy</b></p> <p><b>Key Decision</b> - Yes <b>Public Access</b> - Open</p> <p>To consider and agree the Housing Strategy.</p>	<p><b>Decision Maker Dorset Council</b></p>	<p><b>Decision Date 5 Dec 2023</b></p>	<p>People and Health Overview Committee Cabinet 30 Nov 2023 5 Dec 2023</p>	<p>Portfolio Holder for People - Adult Social Care, Health and Housing</p>	<p><i>Sharon Attwater, Service Manager for Housing Strategy and Performance sharon.attwater@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk, Andrew Billany, Corporate Director for Housing andrew.billany@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk, Sarah Smith, Housing Strategy Lead sarah.smith@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk Executive Director, People – Adults</i></p>
<p><b>January 2024</b></p>					

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<p><b>Quarter 3 Financial Monitoring Report 2023/24</b></p> <p><b>Key Decision - No</b> <b>Public Access - Open</b></p> <p>To consider the Quarter 3 Financial Monitoring Report 2023/24.</p>	<p><b>Decision Maker</b> <b>Cabinet</b></p>	<p><b>Decision Date</b> <b>30 Jan 2024</b></p>		<p>Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Finance, Commercial and Capital Strategy</p>	<p><i>Sean Cremer, Corporate Director for Finance and Commercial</i> <i>sean.cremer@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk</i> <i>Executive Director, Corporate Development - Section 151 Officer (Aidan Dunn)</i></p>
<p><b>New maximum FPN amounts available for environmental crimes</b></p> <p><b>Key Decision - Yes</b> <b>Public Access - Open</b></p> <p>High court costs and staff resources.</p>	<p><b>Decision Maker</b> <b>Cabinet</b></p>	<p><b>Decision Date</b> <b>30 Jan 2024</b></p>	<p>Place and Resources Overview Committee 23 Nov 2023</p>	<p>Portfolio Holder for Culture and Communities</p>	<p><i>John Newcombe, Service Manager for Licensing &amp; Community Safety</i> <i>john.newcombe@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk</i> <i>Executive Director, Place (John Sellgren)</i></p>
<p><b>Budget strategy and medium-term financial plan (MTFP)</b></p> <p><b>Key Decision - Yes</b> <b>Public Access - Open</b></p> <p>To consider a report of the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Commercial and Capital Assets.</p>	<p><b>Decision Maker</b> <b>Dorset Council</b></p>	<p><b>Decision Date</b> <b>13 Feb 2024</b></p>	<p>Cabinet 30 Jan 2024</p> <p>Place and Resources Scrutiny Committee 17 Jan 2024</p> <p>People and Health Scrutiny Committee 12 Jan 2024</p>	<p>Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Finance, Commercial and Capital Strategy</p>	<p><i>Sean Cremer, Corporate Director for Finance and Commercial</i> <i>sean.cremer@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk</i> <i>Executive Director, Corporate Development - Section 151 Officer (Aidan Dunn)</i></p>

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<p><b>Voluntary and Community Sector Strategy</b></p> <p><b>Key Decision</b> - Yes <b>Public Access</b> - Open</p> <p>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.</p>	<p><b>Decision Maker Cabinet</b></p>	<p><b>Decision Date 30 Jan 2024</b></p>	<p>People and Health Overview Committee 30 Jan 2024</p>	<p>Portfolio Holder for Culture and Communities</p>	<p><i>Laura Cornette, Business Partner - Communities and Partnerships Laura.cornette@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk Executive Director, Corporate Development - Section 151 Officer (Aidan Dunn)</i></p>
<p><b>March</b></p>					
<p><b>April</b></p>					
<p><b>Quarter 4 Financial Monitoring 2023/24</b></p> <p><b>Key Decision</b> - No <b>Public Access</b> - Open</p> <p>To consider the Quarter 4 Financial Monitoring Report 2024/25.</p>	<p><b>Decision Maker Cabinet</b></p>	<p><b>Decision Date 16 Apr 2024</b></p>		<p>Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Finance, Commercial and Capital Strategy</p>	<p><i>Sean Cremer, Corporate Director for Finance and Commercial sean.cremer@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk Executive Director, Corporate Development - Section 151 Officer (Aidan Dunn)</i></p>



**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.