

The Cabinet Forward Plan - December 2024 to March 2025 (Publication date – 18 NOVEMBER 2024)

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 Members and Portfolios 2024/25

Nick Ireland	Leader and Cabinet Member for Climate, Performance and Safeguarding
Richard Biggs	Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Property & Assets and Economic Growth
Jon Andrews	Place Services
Shane Bartlett	Planning and Emergency Planning
Simon Clifford	Finance & Capital Strategy
Ryan Holloway	Corporate Development and Transformation
Ryan Hope	Customer, Culture and Community Engagement
Steve Robinson	Adult Social Care
Clare Sutton	Children's Services, Education & Skills
Gill Taylor	Health and Housing.

Subject / Decision	Decision Maker	Date the Decision is Due	Other Committee(s) consulted and Date of meeting(s)	Portfolio Holder	Officer Contact
December					
Independent Reviewing Officer's Annual Report Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Open To consider the Independent Reviewing Officer's Annual Report.	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 17 Dec 2024		Cabinet Member for Children's Services, Education and Skills	Sunita Khattra-Hall, Corporate Director for Quality Assrance and Safeguarding Families sunita.khattra- hall@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk Executive Director, People - Children
Annual Local Authority Designated Officer Report Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Open To consider the Annual LADO Report.	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 17 Dec 2024		Cabinet Member for Children's Services, Education and Skills	Sunita Khattra-Hall, Corporate Director for Quality Assrance and Safeguarding Families sunita.khattra- hall@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk Executive Director, People - Children
Coastal Transition Accelerator Programme Project Outline Business Case Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Open The Coastal Transition Accelerator Programme is a £3m DEFRA fully funded project. It intends to help the communities of North Swanage and Charmouth to better adapt to a changing, eroding coastline. The Environment Agency is supportive of the project and business.	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 17 Dec 2024		Cabinet Member for Place Services	Matthew Penny, Service Manager - Flood & Coastal Erosion matthew.penny@dorsetcou ncil.gov.uk, Ken Buchan, Head of Environment and Wellbeing ken.buchan@dorsetcouncil. gov.uk Executive Lead for Place Directorate (Jan Britton)

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Purbeck Pleasure Boat Byelaw 2013 amended Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Open To authorise officers to proceed with work to amend the Purbeck Pleasure Boat Byelaw 2013 and to carry out engagement with user groups and a formal public consultation on the new draft byelaw.	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 17 Dec 2024		Cabinet Member for Place Services	Bridget Betts, Environmental Advice Manager bridget.betts@dorsetcouncil .gov.uk Executive Lead for Place Directorate (Jan Britton)
Alderholt Neighbourhood Plan 2022-2023 Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Open Report relating to the 'making' (adoption) of the Alderholt Neighbourhood Plan following examination and pending a successful outcome in the referendum.	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 17 Dec 2024		Cabinet Member for Planning and Emergency Planning	Ed Gerry, Community Planning Manager ed.gerry@dorsetcouncil.gov .uk Executive Lead for Place Directorate (Jan Britton)
Blandford + Neighbourhood Plan Review Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Open Report relating to the "making" (adoption) of the Bland + Neighbourhood Plan Review. The Review that has been undertaken is a minor (non-material) modification review. Therefore, there has been no requirement for an examination or referendum.	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 17 Dec 2024		Cabinet Member for Planning and Emergency Planning	Ed Gerry, Community Planning Manager ed.gerry@dorsetcouncil.gov .uk Executive Lead for Place Directorate (Jan Britton)

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January 2025					
Quarter 3 Financial Monitoring 2024/25 Key Decision - No Public Access - Open To consider the Quarter 3 financial Monitoring Report 2024/25	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 28 Jan 2025		Cabinet Member for Finance & Capital Strategy	Sean Cremer, Corporate Director for Finance and Commercial sean.cremer@dorsetcound .gov.uk Executive Director, Corporate Development - Section 151 Officer (Aidan Dunn)
Our Future Council Business Case Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Open Full business case setting out case for change and vision for the future with options to deliver whole council transformation. Will set out the costs and the investment requirements in conjunction with a detailed benefits appraisal setting out the savings to be achieved.	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 28 Jan 2025		Cabinet Member for Corporate Development and Transformation	Steven Ford, Corporate Director for Strategy, Performance and Sustainability steven.ford@dorsetcouncil gov.uk, Lisa Cotton, Corporate Director for Customer and Cultural Services lisa.cotton@dorsetcouncil.g ov.uk Executive Director, Corporate Development - Section 151 Officer (Aidan Dunn)

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Dorset Council Transformation Plan Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Open Final transformation plan more fully formed to support the delivery programme for OFC and provide detail on wider service transformation plans. It will set out the strategic framework for transformation for 2025-29 including the target operating model, governance framework including benefit management approach, transformation priorities and roadmap, baseline success measures, alignment to council plan and MTFP/financial strategy, and alignment cross council with partner transformation e.g. integrated care board.	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 28 Jan 2025		Cabinet Member for Corporate Development and Transformation	Nina Coakley, Head of Change n.coakley @dorsetcouncil.go v.uk, Lisa Cotton, Corporate Director for Customer and Cultural Services lisa.cotton @dorsetcouncil.g ov.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 and recommendation of the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Commercial and Capital Assets.	Decision Maker Dorset Council	Decision Date 11 Feb 2025	People and Health Scrutiny Committee 16 Jan 2025 Place and Resources Scrutiny Committee 17 Jan 2025 Cabinet 28 Jan 2025	Cabinet Member for Finance & Capital Strategy	Sean Cremer, Corporate Director for Finance and Commercial sean.cremer@dorsetcouncil .gov.uk Executive Director, Corporate Development - Section 151 Officer (Aidan Dunn)

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February					
Growth & Economic Regeneration Strategy Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Open To consider and agree a refresh of the Council's strategy for economic growth. This will encompass the functions to be taken over by the Council from Dorset Local Enterprise Partnership in accordance with devolution and promote the needs and actions required to drive forward the economy in the Dorset Council area.	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 25 Feb 2025	Place and Resources Overview Committee 21 Nov 2024 Place and Resources Overview Committee 30 Jan 2025	Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Property & Assets and Economic Growth	Jon Bird, Service Manager for Growth and Economic Regeneration jon.bird@dorsetcouncil.gov. uk, Nick Webster, Head of Growth and Economic Regeneration nicholas.webster@dorsetco uncil.gov.uk Executive Lead for Place Directorate (Jan Britton)
March	<u> </u>	1	1	<u> </u>	
Update of Carbon Reduction Targets Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Open Paper to revise and bring forward the carbon reduction targets set out in the Council's Natural Environment, Climate and Ecology Strategy.	Decision Maker Cabinet	Decision Date 25 Mar 2025	Place and Resources Overview Committee 30 Jan 2025	Leader and Cabinet Member for Climate, Performance and Safeguarding	Antony Littlechild, Sustainability Team Manager antony.littlechild@dorsetcou ncil.gov.uk 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.