



Shareholder Committee for Care Dorset Holdings Ltd
DRAFT Forward Plan - September to December 2026
(Publication date – 27 AUGUST 2026)

Explanatory Note:

This Forward Plan contains future items to be considered by the Shareholder Committee for Care Dorset Holdings Ltd. 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 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.

Committee Membership 2026/27

Cllr Nick Ireland – Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Climate, Communications, Performance and Safeguarding

Cllr Richard Biggs – Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Economic Growth and Strategic Assets

Cllr Steve Robinson – Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Health

Cllr Gill Taylor – Cabinet Member for Housing and Homelessness

Cllr Ben Wilson – Cabinet Member for Transformation, Customer and Workforce

Subject / Decision	Decision Maker	Date the Decision is Due	Cabinet Member	Officer Contact
September 2026				
Dorset Council Delegated Decisions (as required) Key Decision - No Public Access - Open To note any decisions taken under delegation.	Decision Maker Shareholder Committee for Care Dorset Holdings Ltd	Decision Date 28 Sep 2026	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Health	<i>Director - Adult Social Care (Julia Ingram)</i>
Dorset Council Organisational Update Key Decision - No Public Access - Part exempt To present the developments on the part of the council relevant to Care Dorset.	Decision Maker Shareholder Committee for Care Dorset Holdings Ltd	Decision Date 28 Sep 2026	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Health	<i>Sam Poole, Interim Corporate Director for Commissioning & Improvement samuel.poole@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk Director - Adult Social Care (Julia Ingram)</i>
Care Dorset Update Key Decision - No Public Access - Part exempt To provide an update for shareholder members on matters relating to Care Dorset.	Decision Maker Shareholder Committee for Care Dorset Holdings Ltd	Decision Date 28 Sep 2026	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Health	<i>Chief Executive Officer, Care Dorset Director - Adult Social Care (Julia Ingram)</i>

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Care Dorset Annual Performance Report Key Decision - No Public Access - Open To consider the Care Dorset Annual Performance Report.	Decision Maker Shareholder Committee for Care Dorset Holdings Ltd	Decision Date 28 Sep 2026	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Health	<i>Chief Executive Officer, Care Dorset Director - Adult Social Care (Julia Ingram)</i>
Annual report and Year end accounts Key Decision - No Public Access - Open To receive the annual financial report.	Decision Maker Shareholder Committee for Care Dorset Holdings Ltd	Decision Date 28 Sep 2026	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Health	<i>Chief Executive Officer, Care Dorset Director - Adult Social Care (Julia Ingram)</i>
Trading Company proposal Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Fully exempt Proposal to establish a new trading company.	Decision Maker Shareholder Committee for Care Dorset Holdings Ltd	Decision Date 28 Sep 2026	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Health	<i>Chief Executive Officer, Care Dorset Director - Adult Social Care (Julia Ingram)</i>

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November 2026				
Dorset Council Delegated Decisions (as required) Key Decision - No Public Access - Open To note any decisions taken under delegation.	Decision Maker Shareholder Committee for Care Dorset Holdings Ltd	Decision Date 23 Nov 2026	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Health	<i>Director - Adult Social Care (Julia Ingram)</i>
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Annual Reports				
Care Dorset Annual Business Plan (March) Key Decision - Yes Public Access - Fully exempt For the Shareholder Committee to consider progress in delivering the 5 year business plan, and any review of the plan as necessary.	Decision Maker Shareholder Committee for Care Dorset Holdings Ltd	Decision Date March	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Health	<i>Chief Executive Officer, Care Dorset Director - Adult Social Care (Julia Ingram)</i>
Review of Terms of Reference (June) Key Decision - No Public Access - Open To note the shareholder committee terms of reference.	Decision Maker Shareholder Committee for Care Dorset Holdings Ltd	Decision Date June	Leader and Cabinet Member for Climate, Communications, Performance & Safeguarding	<i>Grace Evans, Head of Legal Services and Deputy Monitoring Officer grace.evans@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk</i>
Care Dorset Annual Performance Report (June) Key Decision - No Public Access - Open To consider the Care Dorset Annual Performance Report.	Decision Maker Shareholder Committee for Care Dorset Holdings Ltd	Decision Date June	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Health	<i>Chief Executive Officer, Care Dorset Director - Adult Social Care (Julia Ingram)</i>

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Annual report and Year end accounts (June) Key Decision - No Public Access - Open To receive the annual financial report.	Decision Maker Shareholder Committee for Care Dorset Holdings Ltd	Decision Date June	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Health	<i>Chief Executive Officer, Care Dorset</i> <i>Director - Adult Social Care (Julia Ingram)</i>

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.