

Decisions taken by the Cabinet on Monday, 4 December 2023



Notice dated: 5th December 2023

Issued to all councillors and senior officers.

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These decisions will come into force on the expiry of three working days after the publication of this decision notice unless implemented sooner for reasons of urgency.

DECISIONS:

Item No	Matter	Decision	Reason(s) for Decision
5	Budget Savings Proposals	1. That Cabinet recommends that Full Council approve the draft Budget Savings proposals and those that can be are implemented as soon as practicably possible.	<p>1. Current estimates are that £4m savings are required to cover the council's budget deficit in 2024/25. This deficit has been largely created by cuts in local government funding over the past decade and more recently exacerbated by the housing and homelessness crisis in Hastings.</p> <p>2. Due to the seriousness of the council's budget position, proposals for addressing the funding gap have been brought forward for earlier consideration. This will</p>

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			enable the council to start work on implementing the agreed proposals before the start of the new financial year and will positively impact on our ability to achieve savings in the timescale required.
6	Fees and Charges	<p>1. Fees and Charges be increased by a minimum of 10% except where there are clear reasons for not doing so, or where charges are on a statutory basis.</p> <p>2. Fees and charges proposed by services be agreed.</p>	The Council relies on income from fees and charges to provide services and supplement Government funding where this does not fully cover the cost of the service, we as a Council provide. Historically costs have continued to increase whilst central funding decreases.

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