

HASTINGS BOROUGH COUNCIL

Forward Plan of Cabinet Decisions - January 2019 to April 2019

The Council is required to publish a forward plan of all key decisions to be taken in the following four months. The first plan commenced on 1st November 2001 and is updated monthly. Since April 2004 the Forward Plan has been expanded to show details of all decisions that the Cabinet intends to take.

The Plan shows:-

- When those decisions will be made
- Who will make the decisions
- What the consultation arrangements are
- What documents relating to those decisions are available

The Council has determined that the Cabinet will make decisions collectively and individual Councillors will not therefore make decisions on their own other than in cases of urgency. The Council has determined that officers will not be taking key decisions on behalf of the Council or the Cabinet.

Meetings of the Cabinet are held monthly in Muriel Matters House. They are open to members of the public. Information about the time and venue for a particular meeting may be obtained from the agenda (available at the Community Contact Centre, address below), from the Councils website or from the Committee Administration Section (Telephone: (01424) 451764, or e-mail committee_admin@hastings.gov.uk).

The Council has decided that key decisions will include decisions that involve expenditure or savings of above £250,000. It also includes decisions which although not having a significant financial effect nevertheless have a significant effect on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards.

The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 came into effect on 10th September 2012. These regulations require that the Council gives 28 clear days notice of any decision it intends to make in private (other than in cases of urgency wherein other processes need to be followed). The column in the attached table identifies whether or not each individual item will be wholly or partly decided on in private, and will give a statement of reasons for doing so. Members of the public may make representations to the Council before the date of the meeting as to why they consider the meeting should be held in public – the council will publish these representations at least five-clear working days before the decision is taken. For more information, please contact the Chief Legal Officer on 451731 or e-mail CBarkshire-Jones@hastings.gov.uk

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The plan is available for inspection during opening hours free of charge at the Council offices at the Community Contact Centre, Queen's Square, Priory Meadow, Hastings, TN34 1QR. The Plan will also be published on the Council's Website.

If you have any questions about the Forward Plan please contact Angus Singleton, Corporate and Democratic Services Officer at Muriel Matters House on 01424-451487 or e-mail him at asingleton@hastings.gov.uk

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Cabinet 07 January 2019					
Report title	Key decision	What is it about	Consultation and Timetable / Documents	Responsible Officer / Lead Member	Item wholly or in part to be decided in private?
Treasury Management - Mid-Year Report 2018-19	Yes	This report advises the Cabinet of the Treasury Management activities and performance during the current year. It provides the opportunity to review the Treasury Management Strategy and make appropriate recommendations to Council to take account of any issues or concerns that have arisen since approving it.		Peter Grace, Assistant Director, Financial Services and Revenues Councillor Peter Chowney	Open
Council Tax Reduction Scheme 2019/20	Yes	Council Tax Reduction Scheme. The report proposes changes to the current scheme, which helps those eligible for financial support towards Council Tax bills.		Peter Grace, Assistant Director, Financial Services and Revenues Councillor Peter Chowney	Open

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Community Partnership Funding Programme 2019-2021	Yes	To present options for the 2019-21 Community Partnership Funding programme (CPF).		Victoria Conheady, Assistant Director, Regeneration and Culture Councillor Peter Chowney	Open
Ground Mounted Solar	Yes	To seek approval and funding to develop a detailed business case, this includes conducting pre-planning consultation with the relevant planning authorities		Victoria Conheady, Assistant Director, Regeneration and Culture Councillor Peter Chowney	Open
Cultural Development Fund	Yes	To outline plans for a consortium bid to the Cultural Development Fund, led by Hastings Borough Council, based on creating an East Sussex Coastal Creative Enterprise Zone covering an area from Hastings to Newhaven. The vision is to 'Create a single coastal ecology for the creative sector.'		Victoria Conheady, Assistant Director, Regeneration and Culture Councillor Kim Forward	Open

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<p>South East Local Enterprise Partnership Sector Support Fund</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>To seek authority to procure contractors to produce a prospectus on behalf of the South East Local Enterprise Partnership (SELEP) Coastal Communities Group. The document would supplement both the SELEP Strategic Economic Plan and the forthcoming Industrial Strategy.</p>		<p>Simon Hubbard, Director of Operational Services Councillor Peter Chowney</p>	<p>Open</p>
<p>Site at West Marina</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>To make a recommendation on Heads of Terms</p>		<p>Peter Grace, Assistant Director, Financial Services and Revenues Councillor Peter Chowney</p>	<p>Fully exempt</p>

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Cabinet 04 February 2019					
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Flexible Homelessness Support Grant	Yes	To update Members on activities funded through the Flexible Homelessness Support Grant in 2017/18 and 2018/19 and detail planned expenditure in 2019/20.		Andrew Palmer, Assistant Director Housing and Built Environment Councillor Andy Batsford	Open
Review of Housing Licensing Fees	Yes	A recent high court decision has required a review of the licensing fees for both the HMO and Selective Licensing Schemes		Andrew Palmer, Assistant Director Housing and Built Environment Councillor Andy Batsford	Open
Income Generation Strategy Review	No	To present recommendations for the scheduled annual refresh of the Income Generation Strategy		Simon Hubbard, Director of Operational Services Councillor Peter Chowney	Open
Amendments to the Council's Constitution	Yes	Corporate Governance		Christine Barkshire-Jones, Chief Legal Officer Councillor Judy Rogers	Open

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Budget Cabinet 11 February 2019					
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Revenue Budget 2018/19 Revised and 2019/20, plus Capital programme 2019/20 - 2021/22	Yes	Setting the council's budget and level of council tax for the coming year.		Peter Grace, Assistant Director, Financial Services and Revenues Councillor Peter Chowney	Open
Treasury Management, Annual Investment Strategy and Capital Strategy 2019/20	Yes	Determination of the strategy to meet the requirements of the Local Government Act 2003. This includes borrowing, investment, and the prudent repayment of debt. Full Council is required to approve parts of the strategy.		Peter Grace, Assistant Director, Financial Services and Revenues Councillor Peter Chowney	Open
Draft Corporate Plan 2019/20	Yes	Report back on consultation together with amended draft corporate plan that identifies plans, 3 year targets and annual milestones for 2018/19.		Jane Hartnell, Director of Corporate Services and Governance Councillor Kim Forward	Open

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Cabinet 04 March 2019					
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Cultural Service Review	Yes	To present a review of the council's cultural service that outlines a number of options for future delivery and investment, with a focus on the future of the White Rock Theatre and the cultural offer in the Bohemia development area.		Victoria Conheady, Assistant Director, Regeneration and Culture Councillor Kim Forward	Open

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Charity Committee 18 March 2019					
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Foreshore Trust Finance Report	Yes	To advise members of the Committee on the current year's financial position.		Peter Grace, Assistant Director, Financial Services and Revenues Councillor Sue Beaney	Open
Foreshore Trust - Budget 2019/2020	Yes	To advise members of the Committee on the current year's financial position (2018/19) and to determine the budget for 2019/2020.		Peter Grace, Assistant Director, Financial Services and Revenues Councillor Sue Beaney	Open
Marine Litter Project	Yes	To update the Charity Committee on the development of a marine litter bid to the Fisheries Local Action Group (FLAG)		Victoria Conheady, Assistant Director, Regeneration and Culture Councillor Sue Beaney	Open

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