

THE FORWARD PLAN

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The Forward Plan: 1 January 2020 - 29 February 2020

The Forward Plan sets out all the Key and Non-Key Decisions that Executive Councillors will take over the following four months and also includes items that will be brought to Area and Regulatory Committees for discussion and formal decision.

The Plan is updated quarterly and a full copy sent to all Councillors. Members of the public can access the Key Decisions and Area Committees document from this date via the website or from Guildhall Reception.

Any amendments to the Plan will be listed in an amendment sheet, available on deposit. This will also be circulated by email to councillors, to show the changes. Please contact Democratic Services for further information.

A decision will be 'KEY' if:

1. The decision is likely to result in the City Council incurring expenditure or making savings in excess of £300,000 (£1,000,000 for procurement). Excluded from this are all loans to banks or other financial institutions made in accordance with the Treasury Management Policy.

In relation to letting contracts the key decision is seeking authority to procure (and delegate authority to award). OR

- 2. The decision relates to the acquisition or disposal of land or interest in land with a value in excess of £600,000. OR
- 3. The decision is likely to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in any ward in Cambridge. OR

- 4. The decision relates to consideration by the Executive of any matters which involve proposals or decisions:
 - to change any plan or strategy included in the Policy framework; or
 - to develop any major new plan or strategy; or
 - for the annual budget; or
 - which would otherwise be contrary to or not in accordance with the policy framework or budget. OR
- 5. The decision relates to consideration by the Executive of any matters which involve proposals or decisions which would have a substantial impact on the operational management of the Council.

<u>All Key Decisions will automatically be included on Scrutiny Committee agendas but Non-Key Decisions will not.</u>

However - two members of a Scrutiny Committee may request that a Non-Key Decision is brought to the meeting for discussion. This request must be made to Committee Manager (James Goddard) no later than 10 working days before the meeting, or the date the Executive Councillor will make the decision, whichever is earlier.

Deadline dates for the request of a Non-Key Decision are included in the Plan.

Any Non-Key decision which does not appear on the Forward Plan at least 15 working days before a Scrutiny Committee meeting will automatically be referred for pre-scrutiny by the relevant Scrutiny Committee.

Committee Meeting and Publication Dates

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Strategy and Resources	20	03/02/20	22/01/20
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North Area	32	27/02/19	19/02/20

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Forward Plan - Decisions of the Executive

This section includes all items scheduled for consideration by Executive Councillors at the relevant Scrutiny Committee.

- Items, which are listed as KEY decisions, will automatically appear on the agenda for debate and decision.
- Items, which are listed as NON KEY decisions, will automatically appear on the agenda but will only be subject to debate if requested by two members of the relevant Scrutiny Committee at least 10 working days before the meeting.

Committee reports will be available one week before the meeting on the City Council website.

Forward Plan

The Executive – 03/02/20 (Key Decisions)					
Subject/Decision	New Item	Background Information	Decision Taker	Officer	Additional Information
Budget Setting Report (General Fund) 2020/21 to 2023/24		The report recommends to the Council bids to be funded from internal or external funds, non-	Executive Councillor for Finance and	Caroline Ryba Head of Finance	This is a key item and will automatically
a) To propose Revenue and Capital Budgets for all General Fund portfolios for the financial years 2020/21, (Estimate), 2021/22 and 2022/23 (Forecast).		cash limit items, revenue savings and proposals and changes to the Capital Plan. This report will also recommend the proposed level of Council Tax for 2020/21.	Resources		appear on the agenda.
b) To recommend the level of Council Tax for 2020/21.		of Couricii Tax for 2020/21.			

The Executive – 03/02/20 (Non Key Decisions) Currently no non key items scheduled for 03/02/20

Environment and Community Scrutiny Committee – 16/01/20 (Key Decisions)					
Subject/Decision	New Item	Background Information	Decision Taker	Officer	Additional Information
Community Grants 2020-21		Annual report following an application and assessment	Executive Councillor for	Jackie Hanson Community Funding and	This is a key item and will
Approve Community Grants for 2020-21.		process recommending community grants to voluntary sector organisations.	Communities	Development Manager	automatically appear on the agenda.

Environment and Community Scrutiny Committee – 16/01/20 (Non Key Decisions) Non key items will only appear on the agenda if requested for pre-scrutiny by 02/01/20

Subject/Decision	New Item	Background Information	Decision Taker	Officer	Additional Information
Review Of Use Of The Regulation Of Investigatory Powers Act To review the Council's use of powers under the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act.		A Home Office Code of Practice recommends an annual review of the Council's use of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 (RIPA) and its surveillance policy.	Executive Councillor for Transport and Community Safety	Tom Lewis Head of Legal Practice	This item will automatically appear on the agenda for discussion / debate.
Walking Tours To consider the recommendations on walking tours in terms of frequency and scale.		Further to the recommendation approved at the 27 June 2019 committee meeting, with a reporting timeframe of January 2020.	Executive Councillor for Transport and Community Safety	Lynda Kilkelly Safer Communities Manager	Requested for pre-scrutiny by Cllrs Martinelli and Payne.

Housing Scrutiny Committee – 15/01/20 (Key Decisions)

Part 1 - Management of the Council's Housing Stock

Subject/Decision	New Item	Background Information	Decision Taker	Officer	Additional Information
HRA Budget-Setting Report (BSR) 2020/21 a) Approve the proposed charges for HRA housing rents and service charges. b) Consider the revenue budget proposals. c) Consider the capital budget proposals.		The report details the budget proposals relating to the Housing Revenue Account that are included in the HRA Budget Setting Report (BSR) 2020/21 which will be considered at Council on 13 February 2020. The report also includes a recommendation concerning	Executive Councillor for Housing	Julia Hovells Assistant Head of Finance and Business Manager	This is a key item and will automatically appear on the agenda.
proposition and the second		housing rents and service charges.			

Structural Repairs and Associated Works to Council-Owned Blocks of Flats	Repair works are required to 4- storey maisonettes in the Hawkins Road Estate area and 3-storey flats in Ekin Road.	Executive Councillor for Housing	Will Barfield Asset Manager	This is a key item and will automatically appear on the
Approval to award a contract to carry out structural repairs and associated works to Council-owned flats.	Essential works are specified by a structural engineer following extensive site investigations. Works include repairs to walls, walkways, balconies, handrails and balustrades, concrete repairs, emergency lighting, and redecoration. In view of the value of the works they are being procured outside the Council's existing long term building maintenance contracts.			agenda.

Housing Scrutiny Committee – 15/01/20 (Non Key Decisions)

Part 1 - Management of the Council's Housing Stock

Non key items will only appear on the agenda if requested for pre-scrutiny by 31/12/19

Subject/Decision	New Item	Background Information	Decision Taker	Officer	Additional Information
Complaint Upheld by the Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman (LGSCO) Relating to a Housing Allocation Note the findings of the LGSCO in respect of this case and the actions taken by the Council in response to these findings.		The Council mistakenly allocated accommodation to a vulnerable customer where it had knowledge of previous allegations of anti-social behaviour from a neighbour.	Executive Councillor for Housing	David Greening Head of Housing	This item will automatically appear on the agenda for discussion / debate.

Housing Scrutiny Committee – 15/01/20 (Key Decisions)

Part 2 - Strategic Housing

Subject/Decision	New Item	Background Information	Decision Taker	Officer	Additional Information
Homelessness Prevention Grants to Agencies To approve the award of homelessness prevention grants to agencies.		Each year the Council invites agencies to submit bids for funding for homelessness-related services. Bids are considered by a panel of officers having regard to, among other things, the strategic and operational value of the service and the ability of the submitting agency to selffund in whole or in part.	Executive Councillor for Housing	James McWilliams Housing Services Manager - Housing Advice	This is a key item and will automatically appear on the agenda.
Land Purchase - New Build Housing Programme Approval of capital budget for the purchase of identified sites in Cambridge City for the purpose of developing new build housing.		The City Council's Housing Development team is now assembling sites for a new housing programme, building on the success and incorporating the lessons of the 500 programme.	Executive Councillor for Housing	Claire Flowers Head of Housing Development Agency	This is a key item and will automatically appear on the agenda.

Housing Scrutiny Committee – 15/01/20 (Non Key Decisions)

Part 2 - Strategic Housing

Non key items will only appear on the agenda if requested for pre-scrutiny by 31/12/19

Subject/Decision	New Item	Background Information	Decision Taker	Officer	Additional Information
Housing Development - Options for Homeless People • Agreement to use Council land for this programme. • Support provision within the City.			Executive Councillor for Housing	Claire Flowers Head of Housing Development Agency	Requested for pre-scrutiny by Cllrs Cantrill & Porrer.
Update on the Programme to Build New Council Homes Funded Through the Combined Authority Regular update on the HDA's progress toward building 500 new Council homes.		Cambridge Housing Development Agency was set up using a Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Combined Authority devolution grant with the target to build 500 new Council homes in Cambridge.	Executive Councillor for Housing	Claire Flowers Head of Housing Development Agency	Requested for pre-scrutiny by Cllrs Cantrill & Porrer.

Tenancy Strategy To update the Council's Tenancy Strategy 2012.	The Localism Act 2011 requires local authorities, in their strategic housing role, to have a Tenancy Strategy setting out the issues which Registered Providers operating in the local area must have regard to when deciding: the type of tenancies to offer; the circumstances in which they will offer a tenancy of a particular kind; the length of any fixed term tenancy; and the circumstances in which they will grant a new tenancy when a fixed term tenancy comes to an end. The Act requires Tenancy Strategies to be kept under review. The strategy is to be reviewed in light of the new Greater Cambridge Housing Strategy 2019-2023.	Executive Councillor for Housing	Helen Reed Housing Strategy Manager	Requested for pre-scrutiny by Cllrs Cantrill & Porrer.
Local Policy Updates Decision required to update policy in relation to Housing First and Local Lettings policies.	The Local Lettings Policy is an overarching framework setting out the Council's position in regards to criteria governing which households can be allocated accommodation in a designated area.	Executive Councillor for Housing	Sally Norman Policy and Performance Officer	Requested for pre-scrutiny by Cllrs Cantrill & Porrer.

Planning and Transport Scrutiny Committee – 14/01/20 (Key Decisions)						
Subject/Decision	New Item	Background Information	Decision Taker	Officer	Additional Information	
Adoption of the Greater Cambridge Sustainable Design and Construction Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) The Executive Member for Planning Policy & Open Spaces is asked to consider the main issues raised in consultation, agree responses to the representations received and any consequential amendments to the SPD, and to approve adoption of the SPD as amended.		The Greater Cambridge Sustainable Design and Construction SPD will provide guidance on the implementation of policies related to climate change and sustainable design and construction within the 2018 Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Local Plans in order to support the Greater Cambridge growth agenda and delivery of sustainable development. Following public consultation on the draft SPD between 15 July and 23 September 2019, committee is asked to agree responses to the representations received and any subsequent amendments to the SPD, and to approve adoption of the SPD.	Executive Councillor for Planning Policy and Open Spaces	Emma Davies Principal Sustainability Consultant	This is a key item and will automatically appear on the agenda.	

Planning and Transport Scrutiny Committee – 14/01/20 (Non Key Decisions) Non key items will only appear on the agenda if requested for pre-scrutiny by 30/12/19

Subject/Decision	New Item	Background Information	Decision Taker	Officer	Additional Information
Greater Cambridge Shared Planning Service Staffing Update To consider the matter of staffing within the Greater Cambridge Shared Planning Service			Executive Councillor for Planning Policy and Open Spaces	Stephen Kelly Director of Planning and Economic Development	Not currently requested for pre-scrutiny.

Strategy and Resources Scrutiny Committee - 03/02/20 (Key Decisions)						
Subject/Decision	New Item	Background Information	Decision Taker	Officer	Additional Information	
Capital Strategy The Executive Councillor will recommend the Strategy to Council. (Item to be considered by Council on 13 February 2020.)		The CIPFA Prudential Code for Local Authorities (revised in December 2017) requires all local authorities to produce a Capital Strategy. The strategy should set out the long-term context in which both capital expenditure and investment decisions are made. The Capital Strategy is required to be presented for consideration alongside the Council's budget.	Executive Councillor for Finance and Resources	Caroline Ryba Head of Finance	This is a key item and will automatically appear on the agenda.	

Amendment to Budget Setting Report (General Fund) 2020/21 to 2023/24 (i) An Opposition proposal to amend and update proposals for the Budget 2020/21 in respect of General Fund Revenue and Capital Budgets, Earmarked Reserves and an updated Section 25 report. (ii) To provide an updated Equality Impact Assessment in respect of any budget proposals. (iii) To propose, where necessary, an alternative level of Council Tax to facilitate delivery of any amendment subject to limits set out by the Government.	The Opposition Group(s) have the opportunity to present alternative budget proposals or to amend or delete current proposals set out in the Budget Setting Report 2020/21. Where necessary any impact on the level of Council Tax will also be reflected in this recommendation.	Executive Councillor for Finance and Resources	Caroline Ryba Head of Finance	This is a key item and will automatically appear on the agenda.
General Fund Budget Setting Report 2020/21 (a) To propose Revenue and Capital Budgets for all General Fund portfolios for the financial years 2020/21, (Estimate), 2021/22, 2021/22 and 2022/23 (Forecast). (b) To recommend the level of Council Tax for 2020/21.	The report recommends to the Council bids to be funded from internal or external funds, noncash limit items, revenue savings and proposals together with changes to the Capital Plan. This report will also recommend the proposed level of Council Tax for 2020/21.	Executive Councillor for Finance and Resources	Caroline Ryba Head of Finance	This is a key item and will automatically appear on the agenda.

Treasury Management Strategy Statement Report 2020/21 to 2022/23 Recommend to Council this report,	The Council is required to comply with the CIPFA Prudential Code and the CIPFA Treasury Management Code of Practice. The Council is	Executive Councillor for Finance and Resources	Caroline Ryba Head of Finance	This is a key item and will automatically appear on the agenda.
including the estimated Prudential & Treasury Indicators for 2020/21 to 2022/23.	required to set prudential and treasury indicators, including an authorised limit for borrowing, for a three year period and should ensure that its capital plans are affordable, prudent and sustainable. The Council also follows MHCLG Investment Guidance.			agenua.

Strategy and Resources Scrutiny Committee - 03/02/20 (Non Key Decisions) Non key items will only appear on the agenda if requested for pre-scrutiny by 20/01/20

Subject/Decision	New Item	Background Information	Decision Taker	Officer	Additional Information
Combined Authority Update To enable the Committee to scrutinise the Council's representative on the Combined Authority.		The report will update the Committee on the Combined Authority's activities since its last meeting.	Executive Councillor for Strategy and External Partnerships	Antoinette Jackson Chief Executive	This item will automatically appear on the agenda for scrutiny.

Regulatory Committees

This section includes items scheduled for consideration by the following Regulatory Committees:

- Civic Affairs
- Licensing Committee

Committees that consider planning applications are not included on the Forward Plan.

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Civic Affairs - 29/01/20						
Subject/Decision	New Item	Background Information	Decision Taker	Officer	Additional Information	
Annual Governance Statement To note and approve any changes made to the draft Annual Governance Statement in advance of the Statement of Accounts.		The Annual Governance Statement (AGS) was approved by Civic Affairs Committee at the meeting held on 24th July 2019. The AGS accompanies the Statement of Accounts, which is reviewed by the externally appointed auditors. If any material matters are highlighted during this review, they may need to be reported in the Annual Governance Statement. The Committee agreed that, If any material changes to the AGS are made, a revised AGS would be presented for approval. This process is set by the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015.		Jonathan Tully Head of Shared Internal Audit Service	This item will automatically appear on the agenda.	

Approval for the Chair of Civic Affairs to sign the Statement of Accounts and Letter of Management Representation on behalf of the Committee following presentation of the audited accounts and the report of the external auditors.	Before Ernst and Young give their formal opinion on the accounts there is a requirement to present their audit findings and to obtain a letter of management representation.	Civic Affairs	Jody Etherington Deputy Head of Finance	This item will automatically appear on the agenda.
2019/20 Statement of Accounts - Accounting Policies and Significant Areas of Judgement To note areas of significant judgement and approve any required changes in accounting policy.	Those charged with governance for the Council need to review and approve any significant areas of judgement and changes to accounting policy in advance of commencement of accounts closedown.	Civic Affairs	Jody Etherington Deputy Head of Finance	This item will automatically appear on the agenda.
Ernst and Young Audit Plan To receive the 2019/20 Ernst and Young Audit Plan.	Ernst and Young will be present at the meeting to present their audit plan for the 2019-20 financial year.	Civic Affairs	Jody Etherington Deputy Head of Finance	This item will automatically appear on the agenda.
Draft Pay Policy Statement 2020/21 To consider the draft Pay Policy Statement 2020/2021.		Civic Affairs	Deborah Simpson Head of Human Resources	This item will automatically appear on the agenda.

Licensing - 27/01/20					
Subject/Decision	New Item	Background Information	Decision Taker	Officer	Additional Information

Annual Review of Licensing Fees and Charges 2020-21 The Committee are recommended to	Cambridge City Council, as the Licensing Authority, is responsible for processing and issuing licences for a wide	Licensing Committee	Wangari Njiiri Environmental Health and Licensing Support Team Leader	This item will automatically appear on the
consider and agree to changes to licensing fees and Charges. New fees for Licensing to be adopted following a period of consultation.	range of activities. The Council needs to demonstrate that the fees it charges for such licences have been set in accordance with the		Leadel	agenda.
	law and best practice, so as to recover its allowable costs in administering the various licensing regimes for which it is responsible.			
	Fees should be set so as to avoid either a surplus or a subsidy where possible and adjusted, if necessary, in succeeding years to achieve and maintain the correct balance.			
	Under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, the Council is required to consult on any changes to the fees and charges in respect of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire licensing.			
	New fees to be effective from 1st April 2020.			

Area Committees

This section includes all items (except planning applications) scheduled for consideration by Area Committees.

The Area Committees cover the following wards.

East Area Abbey, Coleridge, Petersfield and Romsey

North Area Arbury, East Chesterton, Kings Hedges and West Chesterton

South Area Cherry Hinton, Queen Edith's and Trumpington

West/Central Area Castle, Market and Newnham

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East Area - 09/01/20						
Subject/Decision	New Item	Background Information	Decision Taker	Officer	Additional Information	
East Area Committee Dates 2020/21 The Committee is asked to agree the EAC dates for 2020/21.			East Area Committee	Claire Tunnicliffe Committee Manager	This item will automatically appear on the agenda.	
Policing and Safer Neighbourhoods To advise on the local areas of concern for adoption for the next neighbourhood policing report period.		A profile of local crime and antisocial behaviour issues is presented for discussion and comment. The committee is asked to recommend local areas of concern to be adopted for the next reporting period. The final decision on which local areas of concern will be adopted will be made by the relevant agencies, following the area committee meeting.	East Area Committee	Lynda Kilkelly Safer Communities Manager	This item will automatically appear on the agenda.	

Briefing item. To provide an overview of the Estate Improvement Scheme; outlining its purpose, funding opportunity and encourage new ideas for improvement proposals from residents and Members.	Housing Scrutiny Committee approved £1 million per annum for 5 years of capital funding for improvement to City Council owned housing estate. Residents, Members, the police and council officers have all contributed ideas for improvement proposals. The criteria for each proposal need to meet two fundamental principles: • The proposal will add value to the asset (the estate) • The proposal should not act as a substitute for the planned maintenance programme, but it may be prudent for the Council to consider including works from the planned programme where it makes sense to incorporate them.	East Area Committee	Emily Watts Resident Engagement Officer, Housing Services	This item will automatically appear on the agenda.
	To date residents have played a central role and ward councillors have been consulted on specific proposals in their areas, but we would like to increase Member and resident involvement by promoting the scheme at Area Committees.			

North Area - 27/02/20					
Subject/Decision	New Item	Background Information	Decision Taker	Officer	Additional Information
Environmental Report - NAC Actions taken by the environmental departments, reporting on private/public realm data.		The report will show actions taken by the environmental departments, reporting on private and public realm data, in the previous six months.	North Area Committee	Wendy Johnston Community Engagement and Enforcement Manager	This item will automatically appear on the agenda.
North Area Committee Dates 2020/21 The Committee is asked to agree the NAC dates for 2020/21.			North Area Committee	Sarah Steed Committee Manager	This item will automatically appear on the agenda.

Estate Improvement Scheme Briefing item. To provide an overview of the Estate Improvement Scheme; outlining its purpose, funding opportunity and encourage	Housing Scrutiny Committee approved £1 million per annum for 5 years of capital funding for improvement to City Council owned housing estate. Residents, Members, the police	North Area Committee	David Greening Head of Housing	This item will automatically appear on the agenda.
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Members.	improvement proposals. The criteria for each proposal need to meet two fundamental			
	principles: • The proposal will add			
	 value to the asset (the estate) The proposal should not act as a substitute for the 			
	planned maintenance programme, but it may be			
	prudent for the Council to consider including works from the planned programme where			
	it makes sense to incorporate them.			
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	councillors have been consulted on specific proposals in their areas, but we would like			
	to increase Member and resident involvement by			
	promoting the scheme at Area Committees.			

Environmental Improvement Programme To consider Environmental Improvement Programme projects for the period 2019-21 from the suggestions made.	Area Committees last considered new Environmental Improvement Programme projects during Winter 2017/18. The Council has supported a new programme for the period 2019-21 and it is now appropriate to consider and determine those projects to be included.	North Area Committee	John Richards Public Realm & Project Delivery Team Leader	This item will automatically appear on the agenda.
North East Cambridge Update For information only - no decision.	Presentation on North East Cambridge	North Area Committee	Fiona Bryant Strategic Director	This item will automatically appear on the agenda.
Policing and Safer Neighbourhoods NAC To advise on the local areas of concern for adoption for the next neighbourhood policing report period.	A profile of local crime and antisocial behaviour issues is presented for discussion and comment. The committee is asked to recommend local areas of concern to be adopted for the next reporting period. The final decision on which local areas of concern will be adopted will be made by the relevant agencies, following the area committee meeting.	North Area Committee	Lynda Kilkelly Safer Communities Manager	This item will automatically appear on the agenda.

NAC Area Committee Grants 2020- 21	area	consider applications for a committee grants under Community Grants criteria.	North Area Committee	Jackie Hanson Community Funding and Development Manager	This item will automatically appear on the
Grant awards for voluntary and community organisations.		·			agenda.