



# **North Northamptonshire Council**

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## INTRODUCTION

This is the North Northamptonshire Council's Forward Plan. It is published pursuant to The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012. Its purpose is to provide the required 28 days' notice of the Council's intention to take 'key decisions' and to hold meetings or parts of meetings in private. It gives advance notice of all the "key decisions" and "exempt decisions" which the Executive or another body or officer so authorised are likely to take over a four-month period. The Plan is updated on a rolling monthly basis.

| <b>The Members of the Executive are:</b> |  |
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| Councillor Jason Smithers                | Leader of North Northamptonshire Council   |
| Councillor Helen Howell                  | Deputy Leader of North Northamptonshire Council<br>Sport, Leisure, Culture and Tourism |
| Councillor Helen Harrison                | Adults, Health and Wellbeing   |
| Councillor Scott Edwards                 | Children, Families, Education and Skills   |
| Councillor Harriet Pentland              | Climate and Green Environment  |
| Councillor Lloyd Bunday                  | Finance and Transformation   |
| Councillor David Brackenbury             | Growth and Regeneration  |
| Councillor Matt Binley                   | Highways, Travel and Assets  |
| Councillor Mark Rowley                   | Housing, Communities and Levelling-Up  |
| Councillor David Howes                   | Rural Communities and Localism   |

The concept of a "key decision" is intended to capture the most important or significant decisions. "Key decisions" will normally be made at meetings open to the press and public. The press and public will only be excluded from such meetings as and when the Council's Monitoring Officer considers that this is necessary in order to avoid the public disclosure of confidential or exempt information.

The authority has decided that a Key Decision is one which is likely:-

- (a) to result in the authority incurring expenditure of which is, or the making of savings which are, significant; or
- (b) to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more electoral wards in the area of the authority."

The Council has decided that significant expenditure or savings are those amounting to above £500,000.

In determining the meaning of "*significant*" for these purposes North Northamptonshire Council will also have regard to any guidance for the time being issued by the Secretary of State in accordance with section 9Q of the Local Government Act 2000.

At times it may be necessary for the North Northamptonshire Council to give consideration to items where the public may be excluded from the meeting. Members of the public are excluded from meetings whenever it is likely that, in the view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings that confidential information would be disclosed. This includes exclusion from access to any pertinent documents. Details of the exemption categories can be found in the 'Access to Information Procedure Rules' section in the Council's [Constitution](#). This plan provides advance notice of any items which may be held in private.

Paragraph 5 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 provides for members of the public to make representations to the Council on why an exempt item should be considered in public, rather than in private. Persons wishing to make such representations and/or obtain further details in respect of any issues referred to in the Plan should contact the undermentioned officer.

The Monitoring Officer may also include in the Forward Plan references to such other decisions, which are to be taken by the Council or any of its Committees or Sub-Committee or officers as they consider appropriate. These will be those decisions that are considered to be significant or sufficiently important and/or sensitive so that it is reasonable for a member of the public to expect it to be recorded and published.

All general questions or queries about the contents of this Forward Plan or about the arrangements for taking key decisions should be raised with David Pope, Democratic Services.

Please email: [democraticservices@northnorthants.gov.uk](mailto:democraticservices@northnorthants.gov.uk)

## January 2024

| Subject of the Decision:  | Purpose of Report  | Decision Maker | Is it a key decision? | Will it contain exempt information? /Reasons for exemption, if any | Consultation undertaken | Anticipated Date of Decision: | Report Author and Executive Lead Member   |
|---|--|----------------|-----------------------|--|-------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Capital Budget Update   | To report any adjustments to the in-year programme                             | Executive      | Yes                   | No   |                         | 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2024 | Executive Member - Finance and Transformation<br><br>Executive Director - Finance & Performance |
| Budget Forecast Update 2023-24 - Period 8                           | To report any adjustments to the in-year budget                                | Executive      | Yes                   | No   |                         | 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2024 | Executive Member - Finance and Transformation<br><br>Executive Director - Finance & Performance |
| Adoption of the Corby Local Walking and Cycling Infrastructure Plan | To approve adoption of the Corby Local Walking and Cycling Infrastructure Plan | Executive      | Yes                   | No   |                         | 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2024 | Executive Member - Highways, Travel and Assets<br><br>Executive                                 |

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|  |  |           |     |    |  |                               | Director - Place and Economy   |
| Specialist Drug and Alcohol Treatment for Rough Sleepers, or at risk of Rough Sleeping | To agree the use of North Northamptonshire Public Health Reserves to fund activities up to £600,000 for specialist drug and alcohol treatment services for rough sleepers or those at risk of rough sleeping until 31/3/26 | Executive | Yes | No |  | 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2024 | Executive Member - Adults, Health and Wellbeing<br><br>Executive Director - Adults, Health Partnerships and Housing (DASS)     |
| Adult Social Care (ASC) Strategic Framework  | To approve the framework   | Executive | Yes | No | No formal but informal within NNC and with appropriate partners. | 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2024 | Executive Member - Adults, Health and Wellbeing<br><br>Assistant Director Strategic Housing, Development and Property Services |
| Cleaning Service Contract Procurement  | To approve the extension of the Cleaning Service Contract  | Executive | Yes | No |  | 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2024 | Executive Member - Highways, Travel and Assets<br><br>Executive Director - Place   |

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| Alfred Lord Tennyson Primary School Refurbishment  | To approve the capital project of Refurbishment at Alfred Lord Tennyson Primary School.            | Executive | Yes | No |  | 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2024 | Executive Member - Children, Families, Education and Skills<br><br>Executive Director - Children's Services |
| Culture, Heritage and Tourism Business Plan  | To consider and approve the business plan.   | Executive | Yes | No |  | 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2024 | Executive Member - Deputy Leader & Sports, Leisure, Culture and Tourism<br><br>Director of Public Health    |
| Northamptonshire Tourism Strategy and Local Visitor Economy Partnership for Northamptonshire | Approval of Tourism Strategy and governance arrangements for the Local Visitor Economy Partnership | Executive | Yes | No | Agreement with WNC as a joint strategy | 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2024 | Executive Member - Deputy Leader & Sports, Leisure, Culture and Tourism<br><br>Director of Public Health    |

## February 2024

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|---|--|----------------|-----------------------|--|-------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| General Fund Final Budget 2024-25 and Medium-Term Financial Plan                  | To recommend to Council the General Fund Final Budget 2024-25 and Medium-Term Financial Plan | Executive      | Yes                   | No   |                         | 8 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 | Executive Member - Finance and Transformation<br><br>Executive Director - Finance & Performance |
| Capital Programme 2024-2028   | To recommend for approval to Council the Capital Programme 2024-2028.                        | Executive      | Yes                   | No   |                         | 8 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 | Executive Member - Finance and Transformation<br><br>Executive Director - Finance & Performance |
| Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Final Budget 2024-25 and Medium-Term Financial Plan | To recommended for approval to Council the HRA Final Budget 2024-25 and Medium-Term          | Executive      | Yes                   | No   |                         | 8 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 | Executive Member - Finance and Transformation<br><br>Executive                                  |

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|   | Financial Plan.  |           |     |    |  |                                | Director - Finance & Performance   |
| Options Appraisal for Recommissioning Public Health Services  | <p>To consider in-house or external provision of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 0-19 Health Visiting and school nursing service</li> <li>• NISHH- Northamptonshire Integrated Sexual Health Service and HIV service</li> <li>• Strong Start Service</li> <li>• REACH Young People's Counselling Service</li> <li>• Oral Health Service</li> </ul> | Executive | Yes | No |  | 15 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 | <p>Executive Member - Adults, Health and Wellbeing</p> <p>Director of Public Health</p>                            |
| Determination of admission arrangements for local authority maintained (community and voluntary controlled) schools in North Northamptonshire for the 2025 intakes. | Executive is asked to determine admission arrangements of schools where the local authority is the admission authority.  | Executive | Yes | No |  | 15 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 | <p>Executive Member - Children, Families, Education and Skills</p> <p>Executive Director - Children's Services</p> |



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| Department for Transport Funding Allocations | To note the allocation of capital funding by the Department for Transport for 2024/25 and to agree how the funding should be spent. | Executive | Yes | No                       |                               | 15 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 | Executive Member - Highways, Travel and Assets<br><br>Executive Director - Place and Economy |
| Communities Strategy                         | To approve the Communities Strategy   | Executive | Yes | No                       | VCSE North Northants networks | 15 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 | Executive Member - Housing, Communities and Levelling Up<br><br>Director of Public Health    |
| Surplus Asset Disposal                       | To approval the disposal of specific assets   | Executive | Yes | Part exempt, paragraph 3 |                               | 15 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 | Executive Member - Highways, Travel and Assets<br><br>Executive Director - Place and Economy |

## March 2024

| Subject of the Decision:   | Purpose of Report                                  | Decision Maker | Is it a key decision? | Will it contain exempt information? /Reasons for exemption, if any | Consultation undertaken | Anticipated Date of Decision: | Report Author and Executive Lead Member   |
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| Budget Forecast Update 2023-24 - Period 9                          | To report any adjustments to the in-year budget    | Executive      | Yes                   | No   |                         | 14 <sup>th</sup> March 2024   | Executive Member - Finance and Transformation<br><br>Executive Director - Finance & Performance |
| Capital Budget Update  | To report any adjustments to the in-year programme | Executive      | Yes                   | No   |                         | 14 <sup>th</sup> March 2024   | Executive Member - Finance and Transformation<br><br>Executive Director - Finance & Performance |
| Annual Inflationary Uplifts Contracted Adult Social Care Providers | To approve the annual uplifts                      | Executive      | Yes                   | No   |                         | 14 <sup>th</sup> March 2024   | Executive Member - Adults, Health and Wellbeing<br><br>Executive                                |

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|  |  |           |     |    |  |                             | Director - Adults, Health Partnerships and Housing (DASS)   |
| NNC Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy 2023-2028 | To seek the Executive's approval to adopt the proposed Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy following statutory consultation and subsequent amendments | Executive | Yes | No |  | 14 <sup>th</sup> March 2024 | Executive Member - Housing, Communities and Levelling Up<br><br>Assistant Director Strategic Housing, Development and Property Services |
| Asset Acquisition Policy                               | To consider adopting an NNC policy.  | Executive | Yes | No |  | 14 <sup>th</sup> March 2024 | Executive Member - Highways, Travel and Assets<br><br>Executive Director - Place and Economy  |
| Kettering Leisure Village Business Case                | To consider and approve the proposed Business Case regarding the future of KLV   | Executive | Yes | No |  | 14 <sup>th</sup> March 2024 | Executive Member - Deputy Leader & Sports, Leisure, Culture and Tourism<br><br>Director of Public Health                                |

## April 2024

| Subject of the Decision:                      | Purpose of Report                                       | Decision Maker | Is it a key decision? | Will it contain exempt information? /Reasons for exemption, if any | Consultation undertaken | Anticipated Date of Decision: | Report Author and Executive Lead Member   |
|---|---|----------------|-----------------------|--|-------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Budget Forecast Update 2023-24 - Period 10    | To report any adjustments to the in-year budget         | Executive      | Yes                   | No   |                         | 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2024   | Executive Member - Finance and Transformation<br><br>Executive Director - Finance & Performance |
| Capital Programme Update 2023-24              | To report any adjustments to the in-year programme      | Executive      | Yes                   | No   |                         | 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2024   | Executive Member - Finance and Transformation<br><br>Executive Director - Finance & Performance |
| Council-Owned Company Governance Arrangements | To approve governance arrangements relating to Council- | Executive      | Yes                   | No   |                         | 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2024   | Executive Member - Finance and Transformation   |

