

FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS AND EXEMPT ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CABINET ON 17 JUNE 2025

The County Council is required to publish a document (the Forward Plan) 28 days before a meeting of its Cabinet, setting out:

- Key Decisions to be taken (see definition overleaf).
- Decisions to be taken in private i.e. Exempt Items (see explanation note overleaf)

This Forward Plan lists the Key Decisions and Exempt Items to be considered at the Cabinet meeting to be held on Tuesday 17 June 2025.

The Cabinet comprises up to ten members of the County Council and is appointed by the leader. At the time of writing, the Cabinet is made up of the following nine members of the County Council:-

Mr. D. Harrison CC (Chairman)

Mr. J. Boam CC

Ms. H. Butler CC

Mr. C. Pugsley CC

Mr. C. Whitford CC

Mr. H. Fowler CC

Mr. M. Squires CC

Mr. A. Tilbury CC

Mr. V. Richichi CC

A copy of this document will be displayed on the County Council's website. Further details of items to be considered at the Cabinet meeting will also be published in the agenda for the meeting which will also be displayed on the County Council's website 5 clear days before the meeting.

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 County 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.

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Key Decisions

In the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 a "key decision" means an executive decision, which is likely -

- (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; 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.

Categories of Exempt Information

Schedule 12A (Access to Information: Exempt Information) of the Local Government Act 1972 lists the following categories of Exempt Information.

[NOTE – All categories are subject to the application of a public interest test – see paragraph 10.]

- 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 authority 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.

Public Interest Test - Paragraph 10

The above information is only exempt information if and so long as, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

Town and Country Planning

Information is not exempt information if it relates to proposed development for which the local planning authority may grant itself planning permission pursuant to regulation 3 of the Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992.

Matter for Decision	Key Decision?	Reporting Chief Officer(s)	Consultation Arrangements (Where applicable) Who and How?	Is the matter to be considered in open or exempt session?	Documents to be submitted (where known)
Provisional Revenue and Capital Outturn 2024/2025	Yes	Director of Corporate Resources	A report will be considered by the Scrutiny Commission on 9 June 2025 (it receives regular monitoring reports during the year).	Open.	None.
Local Nature Recovery Strategy for Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland	Yes	Director of Environment and Transport	Public consultation took place from 6 January to 28 February 2025. This included partners and stakeholders including district councils, the Environment Agency, Natural England, the NFU, and landowners. A report will be considered by the Environment and Climate Change Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 11 June 2025.	Open.	Local Nature Recovery Strategy for Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland (to be appended to the report).
Adults and Communities Department Strategy 2025-2029	Yes	Director of Adults and Communities	Public consultation took place from 18 February to 14 April 2025. This included an online survey (other formats available on request), staff and provider briefings, and consultation events with members of the public. The Adults and Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee considered a report on 4 November 2024 and will consider a further report on 2 June 2025.	Open.	None.

Matter for Decision	Key Decision?	Reporting Chief Officer(s)	Consultation Arrangements (Where applicable) Who and How?	Is the matter to be considered in open or exempt session?	Documents to be submitted (where known)
Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) and Inclusion Strategy 2024-2027	Yes	Director of Children and Family Services	The Leicestershire SEND Hub (Parent/ Carer Forum) and representatives from schools helped develop the draft Strategy. Public consultation took place from 12 February to 8 April 2025. It was carried out primarily using an online survey, available as a hard copy on request. The consultation survey went to schools for inclusion in parent newsletters, to the SEND Hub for inclusion in its newsletter, and was shared at a Local Offer roadshow in February. It was also sent to partners for onward sharing with staff. A series of media releases was issued. The Children and Families Overview and Scrutiny Committee considered a report on 21 January 2025.		Special Educational Needs and Disabilities and Inclusion Strategy 2024-2027 (to be appended to the report).