

**FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS AND EXEMPT ITEMS  
TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CABINET ON  
17 DECEMBER 2019**

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 December 2019.

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. N. J. Rushton CC (Chairman)  
Mr. R. Blunt CC  
Mr. L. Breckon JP CC  
Mr. I. D. Ould OBE CC  
Mr. B. L. Pain CC  
Mr. T. J. Pendleton CC  
Mrs L. Richardson CC  
Mr. J. B. Rhodes CC  
Mr. R. Shepherd CC

A copy of this document will be displayed on the County Hall notice board and 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 Hall notice board and 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)
Medium Term Financial Strategy 2020/21- 2023/24 Proposals for Consultation	Yes	Director of Corporate Resources	The Council's Overview and Scrutiny bodies will consider the proposals in January 2020 and there will be public consultation online. Extensive public consultation took place from May to September 2019 (to be the subject of a report to the Cabinet on 22 November). The Cabinet will consider final proposals on 7 February 2020, following which they will be submitted to Council on 19 February 2020.	Open	Draft Medium Term Financial Strategy (to be appended to the report).
Community Safety Strategy	Yes	Director of Children and Family Services	An 8-week consultation exercise was undertaken with a small group of key community safety stakeholders via an online questionnaire. This closed on 11 November 2019. The draft Strategy was considered by the Scrutiny Commission on 6 November 2019 and it is intended that it will be submitted to the Council for approval on 19 February 2020.	Open	Community Safety Strategy (to be appended to the report).
Corporate Parenting Strategy	Yes	Director of Children and Family Services	Consultation was undertaken with Children in Care and Care Leavers, partner agencies, and the Corporate Parenting Board. The draft Strategy was considered by the Children and Families Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 5	Open	Corporate Parenting Strategy (to be appended to the report).

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			November 2019. It is intended that the Strategy will be submitted to the Council for approval on 19 February 2020.		
Post-16 SEND College Provision	Yes	Director of Corporate Resources	None.	Fully exempt.  <i>The public is likely to be excluded by virtue of Paragraph(s) 3 and 10 of Section 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (Exempt Information).</i>	None.
Exception to Contract Procedure Rules - Warm Homes Fund.	No	Director of Public Health	None.	Fully exempt.  <i>The public is likely to be excluded by virtue of Paragraph(s) 3 and 10 of Section 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (Exempt Information).</i>	None.