

Forward Plan

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This Forward Plan supersedes all previous Forward Plans.

What is the Forward Plan?

The Forward Plan contains details of Key Decisions to be taken by The Cabinet, Cabinet Members, Chief Officers and any Committees of Cabinet including the City of Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Economic Prosperity Committee. It does not include decisions to be taken by Full Council or any of the Council's other non-executive committees.

What is a Key Decision?

A Key Decision is one made in the exercise of a Cabinet function which is likely:

- a. to result in the County Council incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant, having regard to the County Council's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates;

For this purpose, "significant" shall mean an expenditure or saving of £1million or more for both revenue and capital expenditure.

or

- b. to be significant in terms of its effect on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more electoral divisions in the area of the County Council

How much notice is given of forthcoming decisions?

As far as possible and in the interests of transparency, the Council will seek to provide at least 28 clear days' notice of new Key Decisions that are listed in this document. Where this is not practicable, such Key Decisions will be taken under urgency procedures as set out in the Constitution.

Notice of Intention to Conduct Business of the Cabinet in Private

Whilst the majority of the business at Cabinet meetings will be open to the public to attend, there will inevitably be some business to be considered that contains, for example, confidential, commercially sensitive or personal information as set out in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

The Forward Plan entries indicate any elements of Key Decision reports which are expected to be considered by Cabinet in private along with the relevant grounds for exemption and reasons why that exemption needs to be applied (the 'Public Interest Test').

The Appendix at the end of this document contains a list of any **non-Key Decision** reports which are also due to be considered by Cabinet in private and indicates whether those reports are expected to be fully or partly exempt, along with the relevant grounds for exemption and reasons why that exemption needs to be applied (the 'Public Interest Test').

If you feel that any decisions or reports that are to be discussed in private should be considered in public, please contact Democratic Services (County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7QP, democratic.services@nottscc.gov.uk with your reasons. Such representations must be received no later than **14 days** before the Cabinet meeting, the item is due to be considered. This Council is required to consider any representations received as to why an item should not be taken in private and to publish its decision in advance of the decision being taken.

Cabinet Members

Leader	Councillor Ben Bradley MP
Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member – Transformation	Councillor Bruce Laughton
Cabinet Member – Business Management	Councillor Chris Barnfather
Cabinet Member – Adult Social Care and Public Health	Councillor Matt Barney
Cabinet Member – Children and Families	Councillor Tracey Taylor
Cabinet Member – Communities	Councillor John Cottee
Cabinet Member – Economic Development and Asset Management	Councillor Keith Girling
Cabinet Member – Finance	Councillor Richard Jackson
Cabinet Member – Personnel	Councillor Gordon Wheeler
Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment	Councillor Neil Clarke MBE

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Changes since the last Forward Plan

Decisions taken

Date Decision taken	Key Decision	Decision maker	Date of first inclusion in Forward Plan
05/01/2023	Extension of Rushcliffe School	Cabinet Member for Economic Development and Asset Management	02/08/2022

New items added to this Forward Plan (see below for further information)

Key Decision	Decision maker	Department
Bus Network Review – investment in bus services	Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment	Place

Items withdrawn from this Forward Plan

Key Decision	Reason

Other changes to existing Forward Plan entries

Key Decision	Change

Decision	Mental Health Act S117 - local policy update
Date inserted into Forward Plan	2/11/2022
What is the decision to be taken	The local implementation of this policy requires rebranding and minor amendments and update for use across the Integrated Care System.
Who will be consulted?	Health (ICS) partners and stakeholders, including Mental Health Trust, Staff, Healthwatch?
What documents will be considered?	Report Draft revised policy document.
The earliest date the decision can be taken	15/12/2022
Decision maker	Cabinet Member – Adult Social Care and Public Health
For more information contact:	Martyn Harris, martyn.harris@nottsc.gov.uk, 0115 9773133

Decision	Commissioning of Advocacy Services
Date inserted into Forward Plan	6/12/2022
What is the decision to be taken	To seek approval of the forward approach to the commissioning of advocacy services and approval to tender
Who will be consulted?	Pohwer contract for co-production support is being used to seek feedback from people who have received advocacy support and a stakeholder questionnaire has been issued.
What documents will be considered?	Report
The earliest date the decision can be taken	09/01/2023
Decision maker	Cabinet Member – Adult Social Care and Public Health
For more information contact:	Lyn Farrow, lyn.farrow@nottsc.gov.uk, 0115 9772503

Decision	Supported Accommodation Tenders Phase 2
Date inserted into Forward Plan	6/12/2022
What is the decision to be taken	<p>To seek approval to go to the market with the second phase of 10 (TBC) tenders aimed to increase the Council's Supported Accommodation units for younger adults. Where necessary some tenders may also include associated care and support. The accommodation and care will be procured by using different tender mechanisms.</p> <p>To seek approval that, where required by the Housing Provider as part of the tender process, Housing rental voids costs can be considered as part of the contract award, but steps will be taken to minimise financial costs to the Council.</p>
Who will be consulted?	<p>The report is requesting permission to go out for tender for more supported accommodation. The need for more accommodation has not been consulted on as it is demand led and the demand has been identified by people's needs. Individuals whom the accommodation will be for are engaged with when it comes to moving in and then they have choices on where to go and what they would like within the accommodation.</p>
What documents will be considered?	Report
The earliest date the decision can be taken	09/01/2023
Decision maker	Cabinet Member – Adult Social Care and Public Health
For more information contact:	<p>Jenni French, jenni.french@nottsc.gov.uk, 0115 9773119</p>

Decision	Waste Collection Contract - NCC premises
Date inserted into Forward Plan	6/12/2022
What is the decision to be taken	Seek approval to enter into a new contract
Who will be consulted?	NA
What documents will be considered?	Report
The earliest date the decision can be taken	16/01/2023
Decision maker	Cabinet Member – Economic Development and Asset Management
For more information contact:	Rob Fenton, Rob.Fenton@nottsc.gov.uk, 0115 8044886

Decision	Review of allowances to Foster Carers
Date inserted into Forward Plan	6/12/2022
What is the decision to be taken	To seek approval to review the allowances to foster carers.
Who will be consulted?	n/a
What documents will be considered?	Report
The earliest date the decision can be taken	16/01/2023
Decision maker	Cabinet Member – Children and Families
For more information contact:	Steve Scott, Steve.Scott@nottsc.gov.uk, 0115 9774016

Decision	Schools & Early Years Funding: agreement of the Local Funding Formula for 2023-24
Date inserted into Forward Plan	6/12/2022
What is the decision to be taken	This report seeks approval for the adoption of the Nottinghamshire Schools and Early Years local funding formula, as recommended by the Early Years & Schools Forum, for the financial year 2023-24.
Who will be consulted?	Schools and Early Years & Schools Forum
What documents will be considered?	Report
The earliest date the decision can be taken	16/01/2023
Decision maker	Cabinet Member – Children and Young People
For more information contact:	Naomi Clark, Naomi.Clark@nottscc.gov.uk, 0115 9774088

Decision	Active Travel Fund
Date inserted into Forward Plan	22/12/2022
What is the decision to be taken	Approval to proceed to construction on the proposed Active Travel Fund Tranche 3 cycling improvements on A611 Derby Road, Mansfield
Who will be consulted?	<p>Consultation involves discussion with local County Council members, followed by an online questionnaire providing the opportunity for those directly impacted by the proposal, stakeholders, and the wider public to comment. Those who don't have access to the online questionnaire are also provided with the opportunity to respond by post or telephone.</p> <p>The public consultation started on 10 November 2022 and ran until 23 November 2022.</p>
What documents will be considered?	Report
The earliest date the decision can be taken	23/01/2023
Decision maker	Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment
For more information contact:	Victoria Margeson, Victoria.Margeson@nottsc.gov.uk, 0115 977 3176

Decision	Carbon Reduction Plan and 2021-22 Greenhouse Gas Emissions Report
Date inserted into Forward Plan	22/12/2022
What is the decision to be taken	Report to seek approval for the Carbon Reduction Plan and to share the latest 2021-22 Greenhouse Gas Emissions report.
Who will be consulted?	N/A
What documents will be considered?	Report
The earliest date the decision can be taken	23/01/2023
Decision maker	Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment
For more information contact:	Alex Smith1, alex.smith1@nottsc.gov.uk, 0115 9932586

Decision	Bus Network Review - Investment in bus services
Date inserted into Forward Plan	06/01/2023
What is the decision to be taken	This decision is required to develop an investment strategy for future bus network.
Who will be consulted?	Consultation is not required for this investment strategy but may be required for individual bus service changes.
What documents will be considered?	Report
The earliest date the decision can be taken	06/02/2023
Decision maker	Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment
For more information contact:	Chris Ward, chris.ward@nottscc.gov.uk, 01159773520

Decision	All-Age Carers Support Services
Date inserted into Forward Plan	23/12/2022
What is the decision to be taken	Approval is sought to recommission the carers support services jointly with NHS Nottinghamshire and Nottingham City Council.
Who will be consulted?	In preparation for the recommissioning of the service, a strategy has been coproduced with carers and has undergone formal consultation April/May 2022. The Strategy is expected to go to Cabinet in March for approval.
What documents will be considered?	Report
The earliest date the decision can be taken	23/01/2023
Decision maker	Cabinet Member – Adult Social Care and Public Health
For more information contact:	Anna Oliver, anna.oliver@nottsc.gov.uk, 01159772535

Decision	East Midlands Freeport Governance
Date inserted into Forward Plan	26/04/2022 (last amended 1/12/2022)
What is the decision to be taken	Approving the final governance arrangements for the County Council involvement in the East Midlands Freeport
Who will be consulted?	No external consultation is planned.
What documents will be considered?	Report
The earliest date the decision can be taken	26/01/2023
Will the report be considered in public?	It is anticipated that this will be partially exempt
Decision maker	Cabinet
For more information contact:	Adrian Smith, adrian.smith@nottscc.gov.uk 0115 9773680

Decision	Visitor Economy Strategy
Date inserted into Forward Plan	6/12/2022
What is the decision to be taken	Approval of revised strategy
Who will be consulted?	A range of partners and stakeholders
What documents will be considered?	Report
The earliest date the decision can be taken	26/01/2023
Will the report be considered in public?	Fully Public
Decision maker	Cabinet
For more information contact:	Joelle Davies, Joelle.Davies@nottscc.gov.uk, 0115 9774857

Decision	Nottinghamshire's admission arrangements 2024-2025 for community and voluntary controlled schools
Date inserted into Forward Plan	6/12/22
What is the decision to be taken	To consider the outcome from statutory consultation and seek approval of Nottinghamshire's school admission arrangements for 2024-25
Who will be consulted?	Statutory public consultation undertaken between 17 October 2022 and 4 December 2022 by social media with email notification to relevant parties
What documents will be considered?	Report Determined admission arrangements 2024-2025 Summary of responses to consultation
The earliest date the decision can be taken	30/01/2023
Decision maker	Cabinet Member – Children and Young People
For more information contact:	Claire Wilcoxson, claire.wilcoxson@nottsc.gov.uk, 0115 9772640

Decision	2023/24 Provisional highways capital and revenue programmes
Date inserted into Forward Plan	22/12/2022
What is the decision to be taken	Approval of the proposed provisional highways programmes to be delivered during 2023/24
Who will be consulted?	Individual schemes included in the proposed programmes will be consulted on with those affected, as appropriate (as detailed within the report). This will involve consultation and/or pro-active information provision on most schemes and the level of the public engagement will be determined/dependent on the improvements being considered.
What documents will be considered?	Report
The earliest date the decision can be taken	06/02/2023
Decision maker	Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment
For more information contact:	Sean Parks, sean.parks@nottsc.gov.uk, 0115 977 4251

Decision	Tender of Prevention Services framework agreements and future call-off contracts
Date inserted into Forward Plan	3/1/2023
What is the decision to be taken	To seek approval to undertake a tender process and award 3 regional single provider Framework Agreements, and award Prevention Call-Off Contracts under the terms of the Framework Agreements in each Place Based Partnership area (South, Mid and North Nottinghamshire).
Who will be consulted?	Individuals that have used previous Prevention Services, and future potential users of services.
What documents will be considered?	Report Report on Developing the Adult Social Care & Health approach to prevention and early intervention. Proposed contract extensions
The earliest date the decision can be taken	06/02/2023
Decision maker	Cabinet Member – Adult Social Care and Public Health
For more information contact:	Laura Chambers, laura.chambers@nottsc.gov.uk, 0115 9932563

Decision	Basic Need Programme of school expansion 2023-24
Date inserted into Forward Plan	3/1/2023
What is the decision to be taken	<p>To seek approval to take forward identified Basic Need projects into detailed discussions with schools in the relevant planning areas, and potential feasibility.</p> <p>The report also seeks approval to use Basic Need to forward fund projects for which housing developer contributions will be available, but not at the time at which additional school places are required. Furthermore, it seeks approval to use Basic Need funding to cover the shortfall between the total cost of a project and the total housing developer contributions that are available.</p>
Who will be consulted?	Evidence of need comes from Pupil Place Planning Projections and the Department for Education School Capacity (SCAP) return – consultations do not form part of this process at this stage.
What documents will be considered?	Report Basic Need Priorities 2023 with rationale
The earliest date the decision can be taken	20/02/2023
Decision maker	Cabinet Member – Children and Families, Cabinet Member – Economic Development and Asset Management
For more information contact:	Mike Sharpe, mike.sharpe@nottsc.gov.uk, 0115 9772803

Decision	Nottinghamshire County Council's Strategic Commissioning Framework
Date inserted into Forward Plan	22/12/2022
What is the decision to be taken	<p>Seek approval for the Strategic Commissioning Framework and key documentation within the Council's Strategic Commissioning Programme. These items are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Strategic Commissioning Framework b. High Level Training Plan c. Implementation Plan
Who will be consulted?	Deputy Leader has been consulted.
What documents will be considered?	Report
The earliest date the decision can be taken	09/03/2023
Will the report be considered in public?	Fully Public
Decision maker	Cabinet
For more information contact:	Kaj Ghattaora, kaj.ghattaora@nottscc.gov.uk, 01159773267

Decision	All-Age Carers Strategy
Date inserted into Forward Plan	2/11/2022 (amended 3/1/23)
What is the decision to be taken	Approval of the final version of the all-age Carers Strategy that covers NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire, Nottingham City Council and Nottinghamshire County Council. The decision includes approval of a delegation of future commissioning and contract awards which support the Carers Strategy to the Cabinet Member and Corporate Director.
Who will be consulted?	The strategy has been coproduced with carers and has undergone formal public consultation April/May 2022.
What documents will be considered?	Report Carers Strategy 2022-2027
The earliest date the decision can be taken	09/03/2022
Will the report be considered in public?	Fully Public
Decision maker	Cabinet
For more information contact:	Anna Oliver, anna.oliver@nottsc.gov.uk, 01159772535

Decision	Local Communities Fund – Review of 2022/23 and launch of 2023/24 programme
Date inserted into Forward Plan	22/12/2022
What is the decision to be taken	To agree the budget for the Local Communities Fund 2023-24
Who will be consulted?	Cabinet members through budget setting process
What documents will be considered?	Report
The earliest date the decision can be taken	29/03/2023
Decision maker	Cabinet Member – Communities
For more information contact:	Mark Walker, mark.walker@nottsc.gov.uk, 0115 977 2173

APPENDIX

NON-KEY DECISIONS WHICH WILL BE CONSIDERED BY CABINET IN PRIVATE (AS THE REPORTS WILL CONTAIN PARTLY OR FULLY EXEMPT INFORMATION)

There are no such non-Key Decisions currently.