

# THE KEY DECISION LIST

# **INCLUDING PROPOSED PRIVATE DECISIONS**

(18 July 2018)

#### The Key Decision List including Proposed Private Decisions

There is a legal requirement for local authorities to publish a notice in respect of each Key Decision that it proposes to make, at least 28 days before that decision is made. There is also a similar requirement to advertise those decisions, whether they are Key Decisions or not, which it is proposed to be made in private with the public and press excluded from the meeting. This Key Decision List, including those decisions proposed to be made in private, constitute that notice. Copies of the Key Decision List are available for inspection at the Council's Civic Offices, as well as on the Council's website in the 'Your Council' section.

Any background paper listed can be obtained by contacting the relevant Officer in the first instance, or failing that the Democratic Services Officer listed below.

#### **Key Decisions**

The Council's Constitution defines key decisions as:

- (i) Any decision within budget and policy that involves expenditure/savings of £250,000 or more in the current municipal year;
- (ii) Any decision not within budget and policy that involves expenditure/savings of £100,000 or more in the current municipal year;
- (iii) Any decision that raises new issues of policy;
- (iv) Any decision that increases the Council's financial commitments in future years, over and above existing budgetary approval;
- (v) Any decision that involves the publication of draft or final schemes, which may require either directly, or in relation to objections to, the approval of a Government minister;
- (vi) Any decision that involves the passage of local legislation; and
- (vii) Any decision that affects two or more wards, and has a discernible effect on the quality or quantity of services provided to people living or working in that area.

Borrowing or lending decisions undertaken under delegated authority by the Assistant Director of Resources are not defined as a key decision.

The Council has also agreed the following additional requirements in relation to key decisions:

- (a) Key decisions cannot be made by officers;
- (b) Key decisions not within budget and policy can only be made by the Council;

- (c) Key decisions within budget and policy but involving expenditure/savings in excess of £1million can only be made by the Cabinet and/or Council;
- (d) Key decisions within budget and policy but involving expenditure/savings between £250,000 and £1million can be made by the relevant Portfolio Holder;
- (e) Portfolio Holders can only make key decisions affecting their wards if the decision is based upon a recommendation by a Service Director or as one of a range of options recommended by a Service Director.

#### **Private Decisions**

Any decisions that are proposed to be taken in private will be reported as such. The paragraph number quoted relates to Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, and their definitions are as follows:

- (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.

## Corporate Aims & Key Objectives 2018/19

## **Stronger Communities**

- (1) People live longer, healthier and independent lives:
  - (a) supporting healthy lifestyles; and
  - (b) promoting independence for older people and people with disabilities;
- (2) Adults and Children are supported in times of need:
  - (a) safeguarding and supporting people in vulnerable situations; and
- (3) People and Communities achieve their potential:
  - (a) enabling Communities to support themselves;
  - (b) Providing culture and leisure opportunities; and
  - (c) Keeping the District safe.

# Stronger Place

- (1) Delivering effective core services that people want:
  - (a) Keeping the District clean and green; and
  - (b) Improving the District housing offer;
- (2) A District with planned development:
  - (a) Planning development opportunities; and
  - (b) Ensuring infrastructure supports growth; and
- (3) An environment where new and existing businesses thrive:

- (a) Supporting business enterprise and attracting investment;
- (b) People develop skills to maximise their employment potential; and
- (c) Promoting retail, tourism and the visitor economy.

# Stronger Council

- (1) Customer satisfaction:
  - (a) Engaging with the changing needs of our customers;
- (2) Democratic engagement:
  - (a) Robust local democracy and governance;
- (3) A culture of innovation:
  - (a) Enhancing skills and flexibility of our workforce; and
  - (b) Improving performance through innovation and new technology; and
- (4) Financial independence with low Council Tax:
  - (a) Efficient use of our financial resources, buildings and assets; and
  - (b) Working with commercial partners to add value for our customers.

## Cabinet Membership 2018/19

Chris Whitbread Leader of the Council

Syd Stavrou Deputy Leader and Housing

Anne Grigg Asset Management & Economic Development

Helen Kane Leisure & Community Services

John Philip Planning & Governance

Alan Lion Technology & Support Services

Gagan Mohindra Finance

Sam Kane Safer, Greener & Transport

Nigel Avey Environment

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#### WORK PROGRAMME - 18 JULY 2018 TO 30 NOVEMBER 2018 PORTFOLIO - LEADER

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	KEY DECISION	DATE OF DECISION	DECISION MAKER	PRIVATE DECISION	REPRESENTATION ARRANGEMENTS	BACKGROUND PAPERS
People	To establish the Council's	Yes	7 December 2017	Cabinet		Derek Macnab	PID P170 - People
Strategy	new Common Operating					01992 564758	Strategy Common
Common Operating	Model as part of the People Strategy.		10 April 2018	Cabinet		01992 564050	Operating Model - Management
Model			14 June 2018	Cabinet			Structure
	To consider further details					01992 564050	
	for the implementation of the						
	Council's People Strategy.						
Corporate	To consider the proposed	Yes	26 July 2018	Finance and		David Bailey	
Plan 2018-	performance indicator set for			Performance		01992 564105	
2023	the new Corporate Plan.			Management			
Progress	·			Cabinet Committee			

reporting & Performance Indicator Set							
Service Accommodat ion Review	To review the current & alternative uses of the Civic Offices, and consider the	Yes	9 March 2017 15 June 2017	Cabinet  Cabinet	YES, paragraph (3)	David Bailey  Bob Palmer	Previous reports to Cabinet on Transformation
	potential for relocation.  To consider the feasibility		14 June 2018	Cabinet		01992 564279 01992 564279	
	report on the favoured option.		6 September 2018 25 September	Cabinet		01992 564105	
	To consider the detailed feasibility and costings		2018			01992 564105	
	report for the preferred option, including the Customer Contact Centre					01992 564105	
Corporate Enforcement Strategy	To produce a new corporate strategy.	Yes	6 September 2018	Cabinet		Robin Ray 01992 564004	

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## PORTFOLIO - PLANNING & GOVERNANCE

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District	Gain approval for an	Yes	7 March 2019	Cabinet		Simon Hill	
Electoral	Electoral Review of the					01992 564249	
Review	District Council.						

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## PORTFOLIO - FINANCE

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	KEY	DATE OF	DECISION	PRIVATE	REPRESENTATION	BACKGROUND
		DECISION	DECISION	MAKER	DECISION	ARRANGEMENTS	PAPERS
Local	To review the Scheme for	Yes	6 September 2018	Cabinet		Janet Twinn	
Council Tax	2019/20:		-			01992 564215	
Support			7 February 2019	Cabinet			
Scheme	1Consider amendments.					01992 564215	
2019/20			28 February 2019	Council			

2Finalise Scheme.			01992 564215	
3Approve Scheme.				

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## PORTFOLIO - ENVIRONMENT

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Waste Management Recycling	To consider options arising from the Chinese Government's decision to restrict imports from UK	Yes	10 April 2018 14 June 2018	Cabinet Cabinet		Qasim Durrani 01992 564055 01992 564055	
Employment of Consultant	recycling processing plants.  Waiving of Procurement Rules to re—employ a specialist consultant for private water supply regulation.	No	27 July 2018	Environment Portfolio Holder		Qasim Durrani 01992 564055	
Waste Management Review	Review of the Waste and Recycling service and the costs of the dry recycling sacks.	Yes	11 October 2018	Cabinet		Qasim Durrani 01992 564055	
Private Water Supplies	Review of charging regime under the 2018 Regulations	Yes	11 October 2018	Cabinet		Qasim Durrani 01992 564055	
Fleet Operations	Review of fees and charging structure.	Yes	8 November 2018	Cabinet		Qasim Durrani 01992 564055	

## WORK PROGRAMME - 18 JULY 2018 TO 30 NOVEMBER 2018 PORTFOLIO - HOUSING

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	KEY	DATE OF	DECISION	PRIVATE	REPRESENTATION	BACKGROUND
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Homelessne ss Strategy 2018	To approve a new Homelessness Strategy.	Yes	3 September 2018	Housing Portfolio Holder		Roger Wilson 01992 564419	
Council Housebuildin g	To award the contracts for the Housebuilding works.	Yes	1 August 2018	Council Housebuilding Cabinet Committee		Paul Pledger 01992 564248	

Programme					
Ministry of Housing Communities and Local Government - additional borrowing headroom	To approve bids to the Ministry of Housing Communities and Local Government for additional borrowing headroom for the Council's Housebuilding Programme.	Yes	30 August 2018	Council Housebuilding Cabinet Committee	Alan Hall 01992 564004
Private Sector Housing	To consider the adoption of the Essex Amenity Standards for Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMO).	Yes	6 September 2018	Cabinet	Sally Devine 01992 564149
Homelessne ss	Use of Flexible Homelessness Support Grant for 2019/20.	Yes	3 September 2018	Housing Portfolio Holder	Roger Wilson 01992 564419
Fire Safety Policy - Residential Properties	Adoption of the Policy.	Yes	7 September 2018	Housing Portfolio Holder	Paul Pledger 01992 564248
Housing Strategy 2018	To approve a new Housing Strategy Acton Plan 2018/19.	Yes	11 October 2018	Cabinet	Alan Hall 01992 564004
Review of the West Essex Tenancy Strategy and the Council's Tenancy Policy	To agree the revised West Essex Tenancy Strategy and the Council's Tenancy Policy when the Government's Statutory Guidance has been issued.	Yes	7 February 2019	Cabinet	Roger Wilson 01992 564419
Sheltered Housing Assets	To receive the Communities Select Committee's views on the initial scope of a project to review the Council's Sheltered Housing Assets.  To consider the development potential of Sheltered Housing assets.	Yes	1 February 2018 7 February 2019	Cabinet	Alan Hall 01992 564004 01992 564004
Council Housebuildin g Programme Annual	To receive the annual report on the Council Housebuilding Programme.	Yes	11 April 2019	Cabinet	Paul Pledger 01992 564248

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Vere Road Car Park	To create new car parking provision in the Vere Road car park.	No	14 June 2018	Cabinet		Qasim Durrani 01992 564055	1711 =110
Car Parking Tariffs	To review options for the car parking tariff structure in Council car parks, especially the impact of the increase in LUL parking charges.	Yes	6 September 2018	Cabinet		Amanda Hoadley 01992 562252	
CCTV Strategy	Review of the Strategy.	Yes	11 October 2018	Cabinet		Caroline Wiggins 01992 564122	
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Review of Estates and Valuation	Future structure of the Council's Asset Management resources.	Yes	10 April 2018	Cabinet		Derek Macnab 01992 564050	
Epping	To accept a capital sum in	Yes	2 December 2013	Cabinet		Derek Macnab	Report by Colliers
Forest Shopping Park	return for the Council to release the purchasers of the T11 site from a clawback		2 February 2015	Cabinet	YES, paragraph (3)	Chris Pasterfield 01992 564475	International Previous reports to the Cabinet
	provision relating to the development use.		9 March 2015	Cabinet		01992 564124	
	To enter into an agreement		13 April 2015	Cabinet		01992 564124	
	with Polofind Limited for development of the		11 June 2015	Cabinet		01992 564124	
	Shopping Park.		23 July 2015	Cabinet			
	Update report on progress		3 September 2015	Cabinet		01992 564050	
	with project.		5 November 2015	Cabinet		01992 564050	
	Update report on progress with project.		3 December 2015	Cabinet		01992 564050	
	To seek approval and		11 January 2016	Cabinet		01992 564050	
	funding for the purchase of					01992 564050	
	the T11 site and construction of the Shopping		11 February 2016	Asset Management and Economic		01992 564050	
	Park.		14 April 2016	Development Cabinet Committee		01992 564050	
	Update report on progress with project.		30 June 2016	Asset Management		01992 564050	
	Update report on progress		21 July 2016	and Economic Development		01992 564050	
	with project.		27 October 2016	Cabinet Committee		01992 564050	
	Update report on progress		26 January 2017	Asset Management			
	with the project.		6 April 2017	and Economic Development		01992 564050	
	To agree the award of the contracts for the Main Build		13 April 2017	Cabinet Committee		01992 564050	
	and Section 278 works.		6 July 2017	Cabinet		01992 564050	
	Update report on progress with the project.		19 October 2017	Asset Management and Economic		01992 564050	
				Development		01992 564050	
	Update report on progress with the project.		11 January 2018	Cabinet Committee		01992 564050	
			18 October 2018	Asset Management			

Update on project.	progress with the	and Economic Development	01992 564050	
		Cabinet Committee	01992 564050	
carry out the	e construction	Cabinet		
works & inc	rease in contract			
for S278 wo	orks.	Asset Management		
		and Economic		
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with the pro	ject.	Cabinet Committee		
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Authority to	enter into lease	Cabinet Committee		
agreements		Cabinet Committee		
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