MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL FORWARD PLAN FOR THE FOUR MONTH PERIOD 1 JANUARY 2023 TO 30 APRIL 2023

This Forward Plan sets out the details of the key decisions which the Executive or Lead Members expect to take and the non-Key decisions that the Executive or Lead Members expect to take during the next four-month period. The plan will be updated weekly for the relevant period and a new plan for a new four-month period, published monthly on the last Friday of the month.

A Key Decision is defined as one which:

- 1. Results in the Council incurring expenditure, or making savings, of more than £250,000; or
- 2. Is significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more Wards in the Borough

The current members of the Executive are:



Anyone wishing to make representations about any of the matters listed below may do so by contacting the relevant officer listed against each decision, within the time period indicated.

Under the Access to Information Procedure Rules set out in the Council's Constitution, a Key Decision or a Part II decision may not be taken, unless it has been published on the forward plan for 28 days or it is classified as urgent:

The law and the Council's Constitution provide for urgent key and part II decisions to be made, even though they have not been included in the Forward Plan.

Copies of the Council's constitution, forward plan, reports and decisions may be inspected at the Maidstone House, King Street, Maidstone, ME15 6JQ or accessed from the Council's website: <u>www.maidstone.gov.uk</u>

Members of the public are welcome to attend meetings of the Executive which are normally held at the Town Hall, High St, Maidstone, ME14 1SY. The dates and times of the meetings are published on <u>www.maidstone.gov.uk</u> or you may contact the Democratic Services Team on telephone number 01622 602899 for further details.

David Burton Leader of the Council

Details of the Decision to be taken	Decision to be taken by	Lead Member	Expected Date of Decision	Key	Exempt	Proposed Consultees / Method of Consultation	Documents to be considered by Decision taker	Representations may be made to the following officer by the date stated
Granada House Refurbishment Report on the outcome of the tender process and seeking approval to proceed with the works and the necessary financial commitments	Executive	Lead Member for Housing and Health	21 Dec 2022	Yes	No Part exempt	Communities, Housing and Environment Policy Advisory Committee 13 Dec 2022 Update to Cabinet/Lead Member prior to PAC Meeting, once procurement process is complete.	Granada House Refurbishment	Andrew Connors Housing Enabling Officer andrewconnors@ma idstone.gov.uk
Mid Kent Waste Collection Contract Approval to enter into contract with the successful bidder following a competitive dialogue procurement process.	Executive	Lead Member for Environmen tal Services	21 Dec 2022	Yes	No Part exempt	Communities, Housing and Environment Policy Advisory Committee 13 Dec 2022	Mid Kent Waste Collection Contract	Jennifer Stevens Head of Environmental Services & Public Realm jenniferstevens@ma idstone.gov.uk
Fees and Charges 2023/24 This report sets out the proposed fees and charges for Fees and charges determined by	Executive	Lead Member for Corporate Services	21 Dec 2022	Yes	No Open	Economic Regeneration and Leisure Policy Advisory Committee 6 Dec 2022	Fees and Charges 2023/24	Adrian Lovegrove Head of Finance adrianlovegrove@m aidstone.gov.uk

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the council are reviewed annually, and this forms part of the budget setting process. Changes to fees and charges agreed will come into effect on 1 April 2023 unless otherwise stated in the report.						Planning and Infrastructure Policy Advisory Committee 8 Dec 2022 Communities, Housing and Environment Policy Advisory Committee 13 Dec 2022 Corporate Services Policy Advisory Committee 14 Dec 2022		
Equalities Policy and Action Plan - Update Annual Update report - providing an update on actions taken to meet objections, propose any revisions or changes	Lead Member for Communities and Public Engagement	Lead Member for Communitie s and Public Engagemen t	23 Dec 2022	No	No Open	Communities, Housing and Environment Policy Advisory Committee 13 Dec 2022	Equalities Policy and Action Plan - Update	Orla Sweeney orlasweeney@maid stone.gov.uk

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Housing Strategy 2022- 27 The proposed themes for the new housing strategy were approved by the CHE Committee in early 2022, and these have since been subject to public consultation. Therefore the new housing strategy, as drafted, takes account of these consultation responses, and is now ready for consideration for adoption.	Executive	Lead Member for Housing and Health	25 Jan 2023	Yes	No Open	Communities, Housing and Environment Policy Advisory Committee 17 Jan 2023	Housing Strategy 2022- 27	John Littlemore Head of Housing & Regulatory Services johnlittlemore@maid stone.gov.uk
Charges for Replacement Wheeled Bins Proposal to introduce charges for the replacement of damaged refuse and recycling wheeled bins, in line with the Mid Kent Waste Partnership.	Executive	Lead Member for Environmen tal Services	25 Jan 2023	No	No Open	Communities, Housing and Environment Policy Advisory Committee 17 Jan 2023	Charges for Replacement Wheeled Bins	Jennifer Stevens Head of Environmental Services & Public Realm jenniferstevens@ma idstone.gov.uk
Property Acquisition for 1000 homes programme Report regarding Acquisition of site for	Executive	Lead Member for Housing and Health	25 Jan 2023	Yes	No Part exempt	Communities, Housing and Environment Policy Advisory	Property Acquisition for 1000 homes programme	Philip Morris

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1000 affordable homes programme						Committee 17 Jan 2023 Notification of ward members. Briefing to executive and lead member for PAC		philipmorris@maisto ne.gov.uk
Review of Housing Assistance Policy (including DFG) This policy addresses a number of services and funding streams delivered from within the Housing and Community Services department, to include the Disabled Facilities Grant and the Help You Home scheme too. The document sets out how these funding streams are utilised to deliver the desired community benefits.	Executive	Lead Member for Housing and Health	25 Jan 2023	Yes	No Open	Communities, Housing and Environment Policy Advisory Committee 17 Jan 2023	Review of Housing Assistance Policy (including DFG)	John Littlemore Head of Housing & Regulatory Services johnlittlemore@maid stone.gov.uk

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Commissioning Support from the VCS	Lead Member for Communities and Public Engagement	Lead Member for Communitie s and Public Engagemen t	30 Jan 2023	No	No Open	Communities, Housing and Environment Policy Advisory Committee 17 Jan 2023	Commissioning Support from the VCS	Anna Collier annacollier@maidst one.gov.uk
Award of Arboricultural Services Contract Report to advise committee on the scope of the contract to provide tree pruning, tree safety works, planting and emergency call out service relating to Maidstone Borough Council owned land and tree stock. Committee are asked to endorse the award of contract to the selected company.	Lead Member for Environmental Services	Lead Member for Environmen tal Services	23 Feb 2023	Yes	No Open	Communities, Housing and Environment Policy Advisory Committee 14 Feb 2023	Award of Arboricultural Services Contract	Andrew Williams andrewwilliams@ma idstone.gov.uk
Property Acquisition for 1,000 Affordable Homes Programme Report regarding acquisition of site for 1,000 Affordable Homes Programme	Executive	Lead Member for Housing and Health	22 Mar 2023	Yes	No Part exempt	Communities, Housing and Environment Policy Advisory Committee 14 Feb 2023	Property Acquisition for 1,000 Affordable Homes Programme	Andrew Connors Housing Enabling Officer andrewconnors@ma idstone.gov.uk

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Heather House and Royal British Legion site A report seeking approval to enter into contract with contractors for proposed works to Heather House and Royal British Legion Buildings.	Executive	Lead Member for Housing and Health	22 Mar 2023	Yes	No Part exempt	Communities, Housing and Environment Policy Advisory Committee 14 Feb 2023	Heather House and Royal British Legion site	Andrew Connors, Alison Elliott Housing Enabling Officer, andrewconnors@ma idstone.gov.uk, alisonelliott@maidst one.gov.uk