MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL

FORWARD PLAN

1 July 2011 to 31 October 2011

Councillor Christopher Garland Leader of the Council



INTRODUCTION

This is the Forward Plan which the Leader of the Council is required to prepare. Its purpose is to give advance notice of all the "key decisions" which the Executive is likely to take over the next 4 month period. The Plan will be up-dated monthly.

Each "key decision" is the subject of a separate entry in the Plan. The entries are arranged in date order – i.e. the "key decisions" likely to be taken during the first month of the 4 month period covered by the Plan appear first.

Each entry identifies, for that "key decision" -

- the subject matter of the decision
- a brief explanation of why it will be a "key decision"
- the date on which the decision is due to be taken
- who will be consulted before the decision is taken and the method of the consultation
- how and to whom representations (about the decision) can be made
- what reports/papers are, or will be, available for public inspection
- the wards to be affected by this decision

DEFINITION OF A KEY DECISION

A key decision is an executive decision which is likely to:

- Result in the Maidstone Borough Council incurring expenditure or making savings which is equal to the value of £250,000 or more; or
- Have significant effect on communities living or working in an area comprising one or more wards in Maidstone.

Decision Maker, Date of Decision/Month in which decision will be made and, if delayed, reason for delay:	Title of Report and Brief Summary of Decision to be made:	Consultees and Method:	Contact Officer and deadline for submission of enquiries:	Relevant Documents:
Cabinet Due Date: 13 Jul 2011	Housing Strategy 2011-2015 To present and gain approval for the new Housing Strategy	Overview & Scrutiny Committee, Cabinet, Housing sounding board, Residents Meetings, internet	Ellie Kershaw 31 May 2011	Cabinet, Council or Committee Report for Housing Strategy 2011-20
Cabinet Due Date: 10 Aug 2011	Tendering Strategy - Waste and recycling contract form 2013 This report considers options for the tendering of the new contract for waste and recycling from 2013	Cabinet members	Steve Goulette, Assistant Director of Environment & Regulatory Services Letter e mail	Cabinet, Council or Committee Report for Tendering Strategy - Waste and recycling contract form 2013
Cabinet Due Date: 10 Aug 2011	Review of Neighbourhood Forums To review the future of Neighbourhood Forums following conclusion of the one year pilot scheme.	County, Borough and Parish Members Public Website survey and letters requesting feedback from all Councillors Comment Forms & Q&A undertaken at Forum meetings	Neil Harris, Head of Democratic Services 15 July 2011	Cabinet, Council or Committee Report for Review of Neighbourhoo d Forums

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Cabinet Member for Community and Leisure Services Due Date: Jul 2011	Community Development Strategy 2011 to 2016 The Community Development Strategy for Maidstone Borough is a key strategic planning and delivery document for the Maidstone borough as set out in the council's new Strategic Plan 2011-2015.	Maidstone Local Strategic Partnership Voluntary Action Maidstone Kent County Council Kent Youth Service Kent Children's Service Arts Council England NHS West Kent Kent Children's Fund Local Network Urban and rural communities within Maidstone Borough Colleagues in other Kent district councils Maidstone Youth Forum Switch Youth Café Draft Report will be made available to councillors and key partners to give their views.	Sarah Robson 15/04/2011	Cabinet Member Report for Community Development Strategy 2011 to 2016

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Cabinet Member for Community and Leisure Services Due Date: Jul 2011	Maidstone Local Bio Diversity Action Plan To approve the above plan	Public On Parks Pages for consultation and MBC consultation portal	Jason Taylor, Parks and Open Spaces Officer 25/02/2011	Cabinet Member Report for Maidstone Local Bio Diversity Action Plan