

MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL

FORWARD PLAN

**1 April 2012 to
31 July 2012**

**Councillor Christopher Garland
Leader of the Council**



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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.

WHO MAKES DECISIONS?

The Cabinet collectively makes some of the decisions at a public meeting and individual portfolio holders make decisions following consultation with every member of the Council. In addition, Officers can make key decisions and an entry for each of these will be included in the Forward Plan.

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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:
<p>Cabinet</p> <p>Due Date: 13 Jun 2012</p>	<p>Core Strategy Publication Consultation</p> <p>Following public participation consultation on the Core Strategy (Regulations 25 consultation), to respond to representations received and to recommend changes to the Core Strategy in advance of the Publication consultation stage of the plan making process (Regulation 27 consultation).</p>	<p>The representations will be considered by the Core Strategy Members Working Group, the Local Development Document Task and Finish Scrutiny Panel, and Cabinet. Publication consultation will involve all members of the public, including residents, businesses, the development industry and adjacent local authorities. The Core Strategy public participation consultation ended on 14 October 2011. The representations will be assessed and recommendations made to amend the document before the Core Strategy is published for Regulation 27 consultation, known as Publication.</p>	<p>Sue Whiteside suewhiteside@maidstone.gov.uk</p> <p>31 January 2012</p>	<p>Cabinet, Council or Committee Report for Core Strategy Publication Consultation</p>

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<p>Cabinet</p> <p>Due Date: 13 Jun 2012</p>	<p>Infrastructure Delivery Plan: Public Consultation</p> <p>To agree the IDP, which lists the infrastructure schemes (and estimated costs) required to support the spatial distribution of development proposed in the Core Strategy</p>		<p>Michael Murphy michaelmurphy@maidstone.gov.uk</p> <p>11 January 2012</p>	<p>Cabinet, Council or Committee Report for Infrastructure Delivery Plan: Public Consultation</p>
<p>Cabinet</p> <p>Due Date: 13 Jun 2012</p> <p>Original Date: 11 Jan 2012</p>	<p>Integrated Transport Strategy: Public Consultation</p> <p>The joint transport strategy to support the Core Strategy</p>	<p>Core Strategy Members Working Group, Task and Finish Scrutiny Panel, Joint Transport Board, Stakeholders and the public For public consultation</p>	<p>Flo Churchill flochurchill@maidstone.gov.uk</p> <p>31st December 2011</p>	<p>Cabinet, Council or Committee Report for Integrated Transport Strategy Public Consultation</p>

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<p>Cabinet Member for Economic Development and Transport</p> <p>Due Date: Apr 2012</p>	<p>Hazlitt Theatre and Arts Centre - Operational Review and Examination of Future Governance Arrangements</p> <p>To consider the consultant's reports on the operational review, and future governance of the Hazlitt Theatre and Arts Centre and the recommendations in relation to the future operation and governance.</p>	<p>CLT, Finance, Management of the HAC, Members It has been the subject of extensive consultation</p>	<p>Brian Morgan, Assistant Director of Regeneration & Cultural Services brianmorgan@maidstone.gov.uk</p> <p>09.03.12</p>	<p>Exempt Cabinet Member Report for Hazlitt Theatre and Arts Centre - Operational review of the Theatre and Arts Centre and an examination of future governance arrangements</p>