

MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL FORWARD PLAN

FOR THE FOUR MONTH PERIOD 1 NOVEMBER 2024 TO 28 FEBRUARY 2025

This Forward Plan sets out the details of the key and non-key decisions which the Cabinet or Cabinet Members expect to take during the next four-month period.

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 Cabinet Members are:



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Cabinet Member for Housing and Homelessness

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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 Maidstone House, King Street, Maidstone, ME15 6JQ or accessed from the [Council's website](#).

Members of the public are welcome to attend meetings of the Cabinet which are normally held at the Town Hall, High St, Maidstone, ME14 1SY. The dates and times of the meetings are published on the [Council's Website](#), or you may contact the Democratic Services Team on telephone number **01622 602899** for further details.

Councillor Stuart Jeffery
Leader of the Council

Details of the Decision to be taken	Decision to be taken by	Relevant Cabinet 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
<p>Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy Action Plan</p> <p>The Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy was endorsed in March 2024. The Action Plan will sit alongside the strategy, and support our strategic ambitions.</p>	Cabinet Member for Housing and Homelessness	Cabinet Member for Housing and Homelessness	Not before 10th Dec 2024	Yes	No	Housing and Community Cohesion Policy Advisory Committee 10 Dec 2024	Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy Action Plan	<p>Hannah Gaston</p> <p>hannahgaston@maidstone.gov.uk</p>
Housing Allocation Scheme – Review	Cabinet	Cabinet Member for Housing and Homelessness	18 Dec 2024	No	No	Housing and Community Cohesion Policy Advisory Committee 12 Nov 2024	Housing Allocation Scheme - Review	<p>John Littlemore, Tony Stewart</p> <p>johnlittlemore@maidstone.gov.uk, tonystewart@maidstone.gov.uk</p>
Community Ladders	Cabinet	Cabinet Member for Community Cohesion and Safety	18 Dec 2024	No	No	Housing and Community Cohesion Policy Advisory Committee 10 Dec 2024	Community Ladders	<p>Anna Collier, Orla Sweeney</p> <p>annacollier@maidstone.gov.uk, orlasweeney@maidstone.gov.uk</p>

Details of the Decision to be taken	Decision to be taken by	Lead Member	Expected Date of Decision	Key	Exempt	Proposed Consultees / Method(s) of Consultation	Documents to be considered by Decision taker	Representations may be made to the following officer by the date stated
2nd Quarter Financial Update Report	Cabinet	Cabinet Member for Corporate Resources	18 Dec 2024	No	No Open	Climate Transition, Corporate and Environmental Services Policy Advisory Committee 3 Dec 2024 Planning and Healthier Stronger Communities Policy Advisory Committee 5 Dec 2024 Housing and Community Cohesion Policy Advisory Committee 10 Dec 2024	2nd Quarter Financial Update Report	Paul Holland paulholland@maidstone.gov.uk
Fees and Charges 2025/26 Review of the Fees and Charges for 2025/26. Forms part of the budget setting process.	Cabinet	Cabinet Member for Corporate Resources	18 Dec 2024	Yes	No Open	Climate Transition, Corporate and Environmental Services Policy Advisory Committee 3 Dec 2024 Planning and Healthier Stronger	Fees and Charges 2025/26 CTCES PAC	Adrian Lovegrove adrianlovegrove@maidstone.gov.uk

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						Communities Policy Advisory Committee 5 Dec 2024 Housing and Community Cohesion Policy Advisory Committee 10 Dec 2024		
Half-yearly Performance Update A half-yearly update on key performance indicators.	Cabinet	Cabinet Member for Corporate Resources	18 Dec 2024	No	No Open	Climate Transition, Corporate and Environmental Services Policy Advisory Committee 3 Dec 2024 Planning and Healthier Stronger Communities Policy Advisory Committee 5 Dec 2024 Housing and Community Cohesion PAC 10 Dec 2024	Half-yearly Performance Update	Carly Benville carlybenville@maidstone.gov.uk

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Maidstone East, Sandling Road Procurement Process formerly the Demolition & Contamination Update Update on the demolition contract and grounds contamination surveys.	Cabinet	Cabinet Member for Housing and Homelessness	22 Jan 2025	Yes	No Open	Housing and Community Cohesion Policy Advisory Committee 14 Jan 2025	Demolition & Contamination Update	Philip Morris PhilipMorris@Maidstone.gov.uk
Residential Rent Setting Policies Rent and Service Charge Setting Policies, changes to charges for TA in MBC Owned properties.	Cabinet	Cabinet Member for Housing and Homelessness	22 Jan 2025	Yes	No Open	Housing and Community Cohesion Policy Advisory Committee 14 Jan 2025	Residential Rent Setting Policies	Julie Shuter JulieShuter@Maidstone.gov.uk
Corporate Strategy Decision on the new Corporate Strategy 2025-30	Cabinet	Leader of the Council	5 Feb 2025	Yes	No Open	Climate Transition, Corporate and Environmental Services Policy Advisory Committee 7 Jan 2025 Housing and Community Cohesion Policy Advisory	Corporate Strategy	Anna Collier Head of Insight, Communities & Governance Policies, Communities and Engagement annacollier@maidstone.gov.uk

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						<p>Committee 14 Jan 2025</p> <p>Planning and Healthier Stronger Communities Policy Advisory Committee 8 Jan 2025</p> <p>The Strategic Plan has been widely consulted on</p>		
Equality, Diversity and Inclusion - Annual Update	Cabinet	Cabinet Member for Community Cohesion and Safety	5 Feb 2025	No	No Open	Housing and Community Cohesion Policy Advisory Committee 4 Feb 2025	Equality, Diversity and Inclusion - Annual Update	<p>Orla Sweeney, Anna Collier</p> <p>orlasweeney@maidstone.gov.uk, annacollier@maidstone.gov.uk</p>
<p>Medium Term Financial Strategy 2025 to 2030, Savings Proposals and Capital Programme -</p> <p>This report represents the final stage in the consideration of the budget for 2025/26. It</p>	Cabinet	Cabinet Member for Corporate Resources	5 Feb 2025	Yes	No Open	<p>Climate Transition, Corporate and Environmental Services Policy Advisory Committee 7 Jan 2025</p> <p>Housing and</p>	Medium Term Financial Strategy 2025 to 2030, Savings Proposals and Capital Programme - CTCES PAC	<p>Adrian Lovegrove</p> <p>adrianlovegrove@maidstone.gov.uk</p>

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brings together revenue and capital budget proposals for 2025/26, including a proposed level of Council Tax, so that a balanced budget may be recommended to Council on 5th February 2025.						Community Cohesion Policy Advisory Committee 14 Jan 2025 Planning and Healthier Stronger Communities Policy Advisory Committee 8 Jan 2025		