# MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL

# FORWARD PLAN

01 February 2012 to 31 May 2012

Councillor Christopher Garland Leader of the Council



### Forward Plan February 2012 - May 2012

#### **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:
Cabinet  Due Date: 14 Mar 2012	Core Strategy: Targets for Gypsy & Traveller pitches and Travelling Showpeople plots  Report to consider the targets for Gypsy and Traveller pitches and for Travelling Showpeople plots to be included in the next stage of the Core Strategy (Regulation 27 stage)	Gypsy and Traveller community through the Gypsy & Traveller Accommodation Assessment and with the wider community through the Core Strategy consultation process. through the Core Strategy consultation process	Flo Churchill flochurchill@maidstone.gov.uk  15th February 2012	Cabinet, Council or Committee Report for Core Strategy: Targets for Gypsy & Traveller pitches and Travelling Showpeople plots