

## **Forward Plan of Key Decisions - 13 December 2023 - 17 April 2024**

The Forward Plan of Key Decisions is prepared on a monthly basis and published at least 28 days before the start of the period covered. Key Decisions are defined as those Executive decisions which are likely:

- a. to result in the County Council incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the relevant budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or
- b. to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more electoral divisions in the County's area.

The Forward Plan will contain **all** matters which the Leader of the Council has reason to believe will be the subject of a Key Decision to be taken by the Cabinet. It may also include decisions that are not key decisions but are intended to be determined by the Cabinet. Part of the Cabinet meetings listed in this Forward Plan may be held in private where a report for the meeting contains exempt information under Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 (as amended) and that the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing it. If you would like to make representations about any particular decision to be conducted in private then please email: [michael.bradbury@staffordshire.gov.uk](mailto:michael.bradbury@staffordshire.gov.uk). Such representations must be received in advance 6 clear working days before the date on which the decision is scheduled to be taken.

The Membership of the Cabinet consists of:

Leader of the County Council – Alan White  
Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Economy and Skills – Philip White  
Cabinet Member for Health and Care – Julia Jessel  
Cabinet Member for Environment, Infrastructure and Climate Change – Simon Tagg  
Cabinet Member for Commercial Matters – Mark Deaville  
Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport – David Williams  
Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources – Ian Parry  
Cabinet Member for Communities and Culture – Victoria Wilson  
Cabinet Member for Children and Young People – Mark Sutton  
Cabinet Member for Education (and SEND) – Jonathan Price  
Cabinet Support Member for Highways – Robert Pritchard  
Cabinet Support Member for Public Health and Integrated Care – Paul Northcott

A copy of the Forward Plan of Key Decisions may be inspected, free of charge, at the Member and Democratic Services office, County Buildings, Martin Street, Stafford, during normal office hours Monday to Friday. A copy of the notice will also be available on Staffordshire County Council's Website at <https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/>.

Documents submitted for decision will be a formal report which will be available on the County Council's website at least 5 clear working days before the date the decision is to be made, unless that report is subject to any prohibition or restriction on its disclosure. Other relevant background documents used in compiling the report will also be made available in the same way unless they are subject to any prohibition or restriction on their disclosure. Minutes of Cabinet meetings will be published within three working days and will be subject to call-in. The call-in period lasts for three working days. If the decision is not called-in it will be implemented on the fourth working day. Special urgency items are exempt from call-in.

**John Tradewell**  
**Deputy Chief Executive and Director for Corporate Services**

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### Note:

1. The Forward Plan of Key Decisions sets out all Key Decisions intended to be made by Cabinet during the above period.
2. The Cabinet date can be provisional and items may move/roll forward to another meeting date but this will be monitored.
3. Items should remain on the Notice until a decision is made by Cabinet or is formally removed.
4. Where there is an intention to make a decision in private the exemption paragraph relied upon will be included within this notice

Predicted Date of Decision	Public or Private Decision	Title and Description	Consultation	Contact Officer
13 December 2023	Public	<p><b>Medium Term Financial Strategy 2024-2029</b> Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources (Ian Parry)</p> <p>To update Cabinet on the Medium Term Financial Strategy for the period 2024 to 2029.</p>	In addition to the general budget consultation, any specific consultation, if appropriate, will be determined by the nature of any issues raised in the Strategic Plan and Medium Term Financial Strategy	Rachel Spain (Tel: 01785 854455) <b>Service Area:</b> Finance
13 December 2023	Public	<p><b>Older People Adult Social Care Commissioning Strategy 2024-2029</b> Cabinet Member for Health and Care (Julia Jessel)</p> <p>Older People Commissioning Strategy - Healthy aging and support for Older People in Staffordshire</p>	We have engaged with a range of partners including a citizen survey, focus groups, care providers, MPFT, carers groups, voluntary sector	Andrew Jepps (Tel: 01785 278557) <b>Service Area:</b> Health and Care

13 December 2023	Private	<b>Families Health &amp; Wellbeing (0-19) Service</b> Cabinet Member for Children and Young People (Mark Sutton)	n/a	Natasha Moody (Tel: 07976 191079) <b>Service Area:</b> Wellbeing & Partnerships
		Recommendations regarding the Families Health & Wellbeing (0-19) Service from 1st April 2024		
13 December 2023	Private	<b>Drug and Alcohol Services</b> Cabinet Member for Health and Care (Julia Jessel)	Various	Anthony Bullock (Tel: 01785 276649) <b>Service Area:</b> Public Health and Prevention
		Contract considerations		
17 January 2024	Public	<b>Provision of Services for Children and Young People</b> Cabinet Member for Children and Young People (Mark Sutton)	none currently	Natasha Moody (Tel: 07976 191079) <b>Service Area:</b> Placement Service - Wellbeing and Partnerships
		The West Midlands Framework is for residential children's homes for children and young people for access to local authorities and trusts in the West Midlands. It is to provide a safe, stable and nurturing homes for vulnerable children that require residential care.		
17 January 2024	Public	<b>Residential Overnight Education</b> Cabinet Member for Children and Young People (Mark Sutton), Cabinet Member for Education (and SEND) (Jonathan Price)	All 5 schools delivering the provision, all children/young people affected by any decision, staff at all schools and parent/carers of CYP who access this provision.	Neelam Bhardwaja (Tel: 01785 277041) <b>Service Area:</b> Education and Children's Social Care
		Future service delivery options for Residential Overnight Education to be considered.		
17 January	Public	<b>Service Provision of Temporary and Interim Human</b>	Not Applicable	Sarah Getley

2024		<p><b>Resources</b> Leader of the Council (Alan White)</p> <p>Staffordshire County Council (SCC) is undertaking the re-procurement of a service for the provision of temporary and interim human resources. Temporary staffing forms a valuable, highly flexible key resource to assist the Council in delivering services. It is anticipated that the value of this procurement may exceed £34M over the proposed term of the contract.</p>		<p>(Tel: 01785 854265) <b>Service Area:</b> People Services</p>
17 January 2024	Private	<p><b>Unregulated Placements</b> Cabinet Member for Children and Young People (Mark Sutton)</p> <p>Update on the young people in unregulated placements</p>	n/a	<p>Nisha Gupta (Tel: 07890 402088) <b>Service Area:</b> Children and Families</p>
24 January 2024	Public	<p><b>Medium Term Financial Strategy 2024-2029</b> Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources (Ian Parry)</p> <p>To update Cabinet with the draft budget for 2024/25, the proposed council tax and the MTFs for 2024-2029.</p>	Consultation as appropriate for each service area. Overall Community Impact Assessment included within report.	<p>Rachel Spain (Tel: 01785 854455) <b>Service Area:</b> All</p>
21 February 2024	Public	<p><b>Integrated Performance Report - Quarter 3, 2023/24</b> Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources (Ian Parry), Leader of the Council (Alan White)</p> <p>This quarterly Integrated Performance Report provides an overview of Staffordshire County Council's progress and performance in delivering against our Strategic Plan and Corporate Delivery Plan, and our financial position in relation to our Medium Term Financial Strategy.</p>	n/a	<p>Rachel Spain, Wendy Tompson (Tel: 01785 854455, Tel: 01785 854267) <b>Service Area:</b> Strategy Team and Finance</p>
21 February 2024	Public	<p><b>Equalities, Diversity &amp; Inclusion - progress update</b> Leader of the Council (Alan White)</p> <p>To provide an update on the Council's approach to Equalities,</p>	None	<p>Sarah Getley (Tel: 01785 854265) <b>Service Area:</b></p>

		Diversity & Inclusion and progress over the past 12 months.		People Services
20 March 2024	Private	<b>Burton Regeneration</b> Cabinet Member for Communities and Culture (Victoria Wilson)	N/A at this stage	Ian Turner (Tel: 01785 277228) <b>Service Area:</b> Communities and culture
		Item relating to the Burton Regeneration works.		
20 March 2024	Public	<b>Capital Programme for Schools 2024/ 25</b> Cabinet Member for Education (and SEND) (Jonathan Price)	None at this stage	Ian Turner (Tel: 01785 277228) <b>Service Area:</b> Strategic Property
		The Capital Programme for Schools 2024/ 2025 consists of SCC's Statement of Priorities for its schools and associated appendices for major projects and maintenance projects. Programme to be approved by Cabinet for commencement/ completion in 2024/ 2025.		
17 April 2024	Public	<b>Children and Young People's Emotional Health and Wellbeing Service</b> Cabinet Member for Children and Young People (Mark Sutton)	Not sure yet	Natasha Moody (Tel: 07976 191079) <b>Service Area:</b> Families and Communities Commissioning Team
		The options paper will outline the current children and young people's emotional health and wellbeing service in Staffordshire and provide potential options for the future of a children and young people's emotional health and wellbeing service, along with a preferred option / recommendation.		
17 April 2024	Private	<b>Unregulated Placement Update</b> Cabinet Member for Children and Young People (Mark Sutton)	n/a	Nisha Gupta (Tel: 07890 402088) <b>Service Area:</b> Children and Families
		Update on the young people in unregulated placements		