

MELTON BOROUGH COUNCIL Forward Plan

FOR THE PERIOD October 2021 - February 2022

What is the Plan?

It is a list of the Key Decisions to be taken by the Cabinet during the period referred to above. The Council has a statutory duty to prepare this document, in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000 (as amended). The Plan is published 28 clear days before a meeting of Cabinet is to be held. The Plan is available to view at the Council's main offices in Melton, or on the Council's website, <u>http://www.melton.gov.uk</u>.

What is a Key Decision?

Definition of a key decision as detailed in the Council's Constitution is one which is likely to result in the Council:

- Incurring expenditure of £50,000 or more, or;
- Making savings or generate income of £50,000 or more, and/or
- Has a significant impact on two or more wards in the Borough and on communities living or working in those areas.

Who makes Key Decisions?

Under the Council's Constitution, Key Decisions are made by:

- Cabinet
- The Leader and Portfolio Holders
- Individual officers acting under delegated powers

Are only Key Decisions published on the Plan?

The Council has a statutory obligation to publish Key Decisions in the Plan. However, the Council has voluntarily decided to list non-key Cabinet decisions as well. To clarify matters, Key Decisions will be identified on the Plan with a Yes, non-key decisions with a No.

What does the List tell me?

The List gives information about:

- Upcoming Key and Non-Key Decisions (identified by Yes or No next to them)
- Whether the decision will be made in public or private.
- When decisions are likely to be made.
- Who will make these decisions.
- Who you can contact for further information.

Who are the members of the Cabinet?

The members of the Cabinet and their areas of responsibility are:

- Leader of the Council
- Growth and Prosperity (and Deputy Leader)
- Corporate Governance, Finance and Resources
- Climate, Access and Engagement
- Council Homes and Landlord Services
- People and Communities

What is the role of Scrutiny?

The Council's Scrutiny Committee's role is to contribute to the development of Council policies, scrutinise decisions of the Cabinet and hold them to account and to consider any matter affecting Melton Borough or its citizens. Dates of these meetings can be found on the Council's website.

Who do I contact, and how?

Each entry on the Plan indicates the names of the people to contact about that item. They can be contacted via the switchboard on 01664 502502

Request to view Background Papers

Should you wish to request copies or extracts of any documents listed under the column entitled 'Background Papers', for items which are considered to be Key Decisions, please contact Democratic Services at, Melton Borough Council, <u>democracy@melton.gov.uk</u> Please note that copies or extracts of documents which contain information of a confidential or exempt nature cannot be disclosed to the public.

Submission of Additional Documents

Additional documents which are deemed relevant to a particular Key Decision item may be submitted to the Cabinet for consideration. Copies of such documents may also be requested under the same process for requesting to view Background Papers.

Confidential and Exempt Information

This list may also include items to be considered which contain confidential or exempt information, but will not disclose any detail of a confidential or exempt nature. Such items will be identified with '(Exempt)' in the report title.

| Report Title | Background Papers | Decision Maker | Date of Decision | Key Decision? | Portfolio Holder/ Contact Officer | Decision to be taken in public or private session? |
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| Housing Improvement Plan Contractor - Electrical WorksWorksAuthority to undertake a procurement exercise and appoint a contractor for Electrical Works required under the Housing Improvement Plan | Portfolio Holder for Council Homes and Landlord Services | Not before 14th Oct 2021 | Yes | Portfolio Holder for Council Homes and Landlord Services Julie Martin, Housing Asset Manager | Open |
|--|---|-----------------------------|-----|---|-------------|
| Disposal of Toilet Blocks (Park Lane and Wilton Road) To seek authority for the disposal of toilet blocks at Park Road and Wilton Road | Portfolio Holder for Growth and Prosperity (and Deputy Leader) | Not before 14th Oct 2021 | Yes | Portfolio Holder for Growth and Prosperity (and Deputy Leader) Jiten Ravat, Senior Estates Surveyor | Part exempt |
| Award of Contract – Lift refurbishment at Granby House To award a contract for the passenger lift refurbishment at Granby House. | Portfolio Holder for Council Homes and Landlord Services | Not before 14th Oct 2021 | Yes | Portfolio Holder for Council Homes and Landlord Services Craig Spence, Assistant Director for Housing Management | Open |
| Housing Benefit Assurance Process Contract Award The Council is required to procure a reporting accountant to undertake an audit of the subsidy claim made to the Department of Work & Pensions (DWP) for Housing Benefit granted. This contract is for a reporting accountant to perform the audit in accordance with the Housing Benefit (subsidy) Assurance Process (HBAP) modules for our subsidy claim for 2020/21, 2021/22 and 2022/23, with an option for a further 12 month extension to cover the requirements of the HBAP modules for the subsidy claim for the 2023/2024 financial year. | Director for Housing and Communities | Not before 14th Oct 2021 | Yes | Portfolio Holder for Corporate Governance, Finance and Resources Nick Sach, Revenues and Benefits Manager | Open |

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| Award of Contract - Passive Fire Works To award the contract and enter into any necessary documentation in compliance with the contract procedure rules | Portfolio Holder for Council Homes and Landlord Services | 25 Oct 2021 | Yes | Portfolio Holder for Council Homes and Landlord Services Stephen Miller, Planned Maintenance Officer | Open |
|---|--|-----------------------------|-----|---|------|
| Staged Payment Agreement with Leicestershire County Council to Support Infrastructure Investment | Cabinet Council | 2 Nov 2021 2 Nov 2021 | Yes | Leader of the Council Edd de Coverly, Chief Executive | Open |
| Storage Heater Project | Portfolio Holder for Council Homes and Landlord Services | Not before 4th Nov 2021 | Yes | Portfolio Holder for Council Homes and Landlord Services Craig Spence, Assistant Director for Housing Management | Open |
| Award of Contract - Insurance Services To award the contract and enter into any necessary documentation in compliance with the contract procedure rules. | Chief Executive | Not before 15th Nov 2021 | Yes | Portfolio Holder for Corporate Governance, Finance and Resources David Scott, Corporate Services Manager | Open |

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| Fusion 21 Gas and Electrical Safety Assurance To award a contract and enter into any necessary documentation in compliance with the contract procedure rules. | Chief Executive | Not before 18th Nov 2021 | Yes | Portfolio Holder for Council Homes and Landlord Services Christopher Flannery, Housing Asset Manager | Open |
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| Increase to Fees and Charges 2022/23 To approve revised fees and charges for 2022/23 | Director for Corporate Services | Not before 19th Nov 2021 | Yes | Portfolio Holder for Corporate Governance, Finance and Resources David Scott, Corporate Services Manager | Open |
| Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Revenue and Capital Budget Monitoring - Quarter 2 To inform on how the Council is performing against its revenue and capital budgets. | Cabinet | 23 Nov 2021 | No | Portfolio Holder for Corporate Governance, Finance and Resources Carol King, Accountant (CK) | Open |
| General Fund Revenue and Capital Budget Monitoring Report - Quarter 2 To inform on how the Council is performing against its revenue and capital budgets. | Cabinet | 23 Nov 2021 | No | Portfolio Holder for Corporate Governance, Finance and Resources David Scott, Corporate Services Manager | Open |

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| Ways of Working Project Update | Cabinet | 23 Nov 2021 | No | Portfolio Holder for Corporate Governance, Finance and Resources Sarah Jane O'Connor, HR & Communications Manager | Open |
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| Update on Housing Revenue Account BusinessPlan and Tenant SurveyTo receive an update on progress in the development of the HRA Business Plan and to agree the content of a survey to obtain tenant views on the priorities for the Council's landlord services. | Cabinet | 23 Nov 2021 | Yes | Portfolio Holder for Council Homes and Landlord Services Craig Spence, Assistant Director for Housing Management | Open |
| Mid-Year Treasury Management Report An update on Treasury Management performance for 2021/22. | Cabinet Council | 23 Nov 2021 16 Dec 2021 | No | Portfolio Holder for Corporate Governance, Finance and Resources David Scott, Corporate Services Manager | Open |
| Housing Strategy 2021-2026 Adoption of a strategic housing strategy for the Council for the next five years. | Cabinet Council | 23 Nov 2021 16 Dec 2021 | Yes | Portfolio Holder for Council Homes and Landlord Services Nicola Butcher, Strategic Housing Officer | Open |

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| Building Control – Proposals for a Delegated Service (CHECK WITH JIM BEFORE PUBLISHING)PUBLISHING)To consider proposals to develop the Leicestershire Building Control Partnership into a formal delegated service arrangement. | Cabinet Council | 23 Nov 2021 16 Dec 2021 | Yes | Portfolio Holder for Growth and Prosperity (and Deputy Leader) Jim Worley, Assistant Director for Planning and Delivery | Open |
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| Award of Contract - Scooter Pod/Temporary Structure Supply and Installation To award the contract and enter into any necessary documentation to effect the award. | Portfolio Holder for Council Homes and Landlord Services | Not before 23rd Nov 2021 | Yes | Portfolio Holder for Council Homes and Landlord Services Craig Spence, Assistant Director for Housing Management | Open |
| Performance Report Quarter 2 2020/21 To report corporate performance data to the second quarter of 2020-21 and the current position with regard to delivery against the Council's priorities. | Cabinet | 8 Dec 2021 | No | Leader of the Council Martyn Bowen, Revenue Business Partner | Open |
| Adoption of Melton South Masterplan | Cabinet | 8 Dec 2021 | Yes | Portfolio Holder for Growth and Prosperity (and Deputy Leader) Jim Worley, Assistant Director for Planning and Delivery | Open |

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| Lifeline Business Development Plan | Cabinet | 12 Jan 2022 | Yes | Portfolio Holder for People and | Open |
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| Towards Partnership working with Harborough District Council. | | | | Communities | |
| | | | | Aysha Rahman, Interim Assistant Director for | |
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