

# MELTON BOROUGH COUNCIL Forward Plan

# FOR THE PERIOD September 2023 - December 2023

#### 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, <a href="http://www.melton.gov.uk">http://www.melton.gov.uk</a>.

### 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, Housing and Landlord Services
- Governance, Environment and Regulatory Services (and Deputy Leader)
- Customers, Communities and Neighbourhoods
- Town Centre, Growth and Prosperity
- Corporate Finance, Property and Resources

### 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, <a href="mailto:democracy@melton.gov.uk">democracy@melton.gov.uk</a> 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?
Award of Contract – Lift Refurbishment at Granby House  To award a contract for the passenger lift refurbishment at Granby House.		Portfolio Holder for Corporate Finance, Property & Resources	Not before 14th Sep 2023	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Corporate Finance, Property & Resources Michelle Howard, Director for Housing and Communities (Deputy Chief Executive)	Open
Sale of Cattle Market North  The sale of Council land at the North End of the Cattle market, which comprises an approximate area of 1.69acres, allocated for housing.		Director for Growth and Regeneration	Not before 14th Sep 2023	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Town Centre, Growth & Prosperity  Jiten Ravat, Corporate Property and Assets Manager	Open

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Contract Rates Uplift – Electrical Re-wires (Newey)  To approve an uplift in the contract rates and amend the contract documents as required.		Portfolio Holder for Corporate Finance, Property & Resources	Not before 14th Sep 2023	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Corporate Finance, Property & Resources Christopher Flannery, Housing Asset Manager	Open
Procurement of evidence base for the Local Plan Review  The evidence that will be procured is as follows: Retail Study Employment Study Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (Stages 1 and 2) Climate Change Study Open Space Assessment Report Local Housing, Economics and Affordable Housing Need Assessments (these could be 2 studies) Gypsy and Traveller & Travelling Showpeople Assessment Sustainability Assessment (and Habitats Regulations Assessment) Green Infrastructure Strategy Integrated Water Management Study		Director for Growth and Regeneration	Not before 14th Sep 2023	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Governance, Environment & Regulatory Services (& Deputy Leader) Sarah Legge, Assistant Director for Planning	Open

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Lease Renewal at 66/68 Snow Hill, Melton Mowbray  To arrange a lease renewal at 66/68 Snow Hill, Melton Mowbray		Director for Growth and Regeneration	Not before 14th Sep 2023	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Town Centre, Growth & Prosperity  Jiten Ravat, Corporate Property and Assets Manager	Fully exempt 3
Housing Management Policies  To approve the following operational housing management policies:  1. Garages Allocations & Arrears Policy 2. Scooter Pod Allocations & Arrears Policy 3. Recharge Policy		Leader of the Council & Portfolio Holder for Housing & Landlord Services	Not before 14th Sep 2023	Yes	Leader of the Council & Portfolio Holder for Housing & Landlord Services Doug Stother, Tenancy Services Manager	Open

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Purchase of wood chipper and two vans  Procurement process for a wood chipper and two vans		Director for Housing and Communities	Not before 14th Sep 2023	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Governance, Environment & Regulatory Services (& Deputy Leader) Paul Evans, Interim Head of Neighbourhoods	Open
Award of contract - Domestic and commercial heating servicing, maintenance and replacement  To appoint a contractor to undertake gas safety checks, servicing and new installation of a range of heating types.		Leader of the Council & Portfolio Holder for Housing & Landlord Services	Not before 14th Sep 2023	Yes	Leader of the Council & Portfolio Holder for Housing & Landlord Services  Christopher Flannery, Housing Asset Manager	Open

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Award of Contract for the Stockyard Operation		Director for Growth and Regeneration	Not before 14th Sep 2023	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Town Centre, Growth & Prosperity  Lee Byrne, Assistant Director – Regeneration and UKSPF Delivery	Open
Award of Contract for the Construction of the Stockyard Development		Director for Growth and Regeneration	Not before 14th Sep 2023	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Town Centre, Growth & Prosperity  Lee Byrne, Assistant Director – Regeneration and UKSPF Delivery	Open

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Approval of UKSPF Grants  Approval of grants in line with grants guidance note and UKSPF guidelines and criteria for the financial year 2023/24.		Director for Growth and Regeneration	Not before 14th Sep 2023	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Town Centre, Growth & Prosperity  Lee Byrne, Assistant Director – Regeneration and UKSPF Delivery	Open
Change of Establishment - Levelling up Project Manager for 2 year fixed term  To recruit a fixed term position to support delivery of the Levelling Up Fund and other capital programmes on behalf of Melton Borough Council.		Director for Growth and Regeneration	Not before 14th Sep 2023	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Town Centre, Growth & Prosperity  Lee Byrne, Assistant Director – Regeneration and UKSPF Delivery	Open

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Service Level Agreement for grant funding to the Business Improvement District  To award the Business Improvement District £4,000 capital and £82,370 revenue from the United Kingdom Shared Prosperity Fund over the period 2023/24 and 2024/25.  To provide direct support to retail through a Business Improvement Grant scheme to enable pop-up shops and increase occupancy.		Director for Growth and Regeneration	Not before 14th Sep 2023	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Town Centre, Growth & Prosperity  Gordon Watts, Senior Projects Delivery Officer	Open
Award of Contract - Aids and adaptations property extensions  To award a contract for Aids and Adaptations Property Extensions		Leader of the Council & Portfolio Holder for Housing & Landlord Services	Not before 14th Sep 2023	Yes	Leader of the Council & Portfolio Holder for Housing & Landlord Services Christopher Flannery, Housing Asset Manager	Open

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Contract rates uplift - Planned Maintenance  To agree a variation to the contract to allow for the rates to be increased in line with inflationary increases		Leader of the Council & Portfolio Holder for Housing & Landlord Services	Not before 14th Sep 2023	Yes	Leader of the Council & Portfolio Holder for Housing & Landlord Services  Christopher Flannery, Housing Asset Manager	Open
Additional Heating Contract Extension		Director for Corporate Services	Not before 25th Sep 2023	Yes	Leader of the Council & Portfolio Holder for Housing & Landlord Services Christopher Flannery, Housing Asset Manager	Open

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Licensing Enforcement Policy		Cabinet	11 Oct 2023	No	Portfolio Holder for Governance, Environment & Regulatory Services (& Deputy Leader) Joanne Belcher, Senior Environmental Health Officer	Open
Intensive Housing Management Service Review		Cabinet	11 Oct 2023	No	Leader of the Council & Portfolio Holder for Housing & Landlord Services  Alison Bennett, Assistant Director for Housing Management	Open

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Housing Consumer Regulation - consultation response  The Regulator for Social Housing (RSH) has launched a 12 week consultation period regarding proposed new Housing Consumer Regulation Standards and an associated Code of Practice.		Cabinet	11 Oct 2023	Yes	Leader of the Council & Portfolio Holder for Housing & Landlord Services  Alison Bennett, Assistant Director for Housing Management	Open
Asset Development Programme Update  An update on the proposals for Phoenix House.		Cabinet	11 Oct 2023	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Town Centre, Growth & Prosperity  Pranali Parikh, Director for Growth and Regeneration	Part exempt 3

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Feasibility Study into the Melton Mowbray Cemetery  To consider the report from the CDS Group on the feasibility study into a proposed new cemetery for Melton Mowbray.		Cabinet	11 Oct 2023	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Governance, Environment & Regulatory Services (& Deputy Leader) Paul Evans, Interim Head of Neighbourhoods	Part exempt 3, 4
Refugee Resettlement Arrangements		Cabinet	11 Oct 2023	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Customers, Communities & Neighbourhoods Rachel Chubb, Strategic Lead for Housing Options and Homelessness	Open
Quarter 2 Housing Revenue Account Revenue and Capital Budget Monitoring Report 2023/24		Cabinet	15 Nov 2023	No	Portfolio Holder for Corporate Finance, Property & Resources Carol King, Accountant (CK)	Open

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Quarter 2 General Fund Revenue and Capital Budget Monitoring Report 2023/24		Cabinet	15 Nov 2023	No	Portfolio Holder for Corporate Finance, Property & Resources Natasha Allsopp, Senior Accountant (NA)	Open
Mid-Year Treasury Management Report 2023/24		Cabinet	15 Nov 2023	No	Portfolio Holder for Corporate Finance, Property & Resources David Scott, Assistant Director for Resources (Deputy s151 Officer)	Open

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Intensive Housing Management Service Review Part 2		Cabinet	15 Nov 2023	No	Leader of the Council & Portfolio Holder for Housing & Landlord Services  Alison Bennett, Assistant Director for Housing Management	Open
Leisure Contract Update		Cabinet	15 Nov 2023	No	Portfolio Holder for People and Communities (Deputy Leader) Aysha Rahman, Assistant Director, Customers and Communities	Open

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Housing Revenue Account Asset  Management Plan Review		Cabinet	15 Nov 2023	Yes	Leader of the Council & Portfolio Holder for Housing & Landlord Services Christopher Flannery, Housing Asset Manager	Open
UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF)		Cabinet	15 Nov 2023	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Town Centre, Growth & Prosperity  Lee Byrne, Assistant Director – Regeneration and UKSPF Delivery	Open

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Asset Development Plan (Corporate Assets)  The report provides an update and requests that Cabinet provides a steer for the next steps of the plan.		Cabinet	15 Nov 2023	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Town Centre, Growth & Prosperity  Pranali Parikh, Director for Growth and Regeneration	Open
Levelling Up Fund Update		Cabinet	15 Nov 2023	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Town Centre, Growth & Prosperity  Lee Byrne, Assistant Director – Regeneration and UKSPF Delivery	Open

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Quarter 2 Corporate Performance and Progress Report 2023/24		Cabinet	13 Dec 2023	No	Leader of the Council & Portfolio Holder for Housing & Landlord Services  Martin Guest, Senior Corporate Policy Officer	Open