

# **April 2021**

Working in partnership with Eastbourne Homes

# FORWARD PLAN OF DECISIONS

Period covered by this Plan: Date of publication: 1 April to 31 July 2021 1 April 2021

#### Membership of Cabinet:

**Councillor David Tutt** (Leader and Chair of Cabinet): Responsibilities aligned with Chief Executive and including the Community Strategy, Local Strategic Partnership, the Corporate Plan and economic development.

**Councillor Stephen Holt**: (Deputy Leader and Deputy Chair of Cabinet): Financial services including accountancy, audit, purchasing and payments).

Councillor Margaret Bannister: Tourism and leisure services

Councillor Jonathan Dow: Climate change.

**Councillor Alan Shuttleworth** Direct assistance services including revenues and benefits, housing and community development, and bereavement services.

Councillor Colin Swansborough: Place services and special projects.

Councillor Rebecca Whippy: Disabilities and community safety

Please see the explanatory note appended to this Plan for further information and details of how to make representations and otherwise contact the Council on matters listed in the Plan. Documents referred to will be available at least 5 clear working days before the date for decision.

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Recovery and Reset Programme To update on progress of the Recovery and Reset Programme. (Lead Cabinet member: Councillor David Tutt)	All Wards	Key	Cabinet	2 Jun 2021	Open	As detailed in the report.	Report	Chief Executive (Robert Cottrill) Jo Harper, Head of Business Planning and Performance Tel: 01273 484049 jo.harper@lewes- eastbourne.gov.uk Lee Banner, Transformation Programme Manager Tel: 01323 415763 lee.banner@lewes- eastbourne.gov.uk

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Commercial Investment Strategy The Commercial Investment Strategy will set out the Councils approach to asset, development and business opportunities which the Council may pursue. It will also outline their priority areas for consideration of investment and the associated targets which need to be achieved. (Lead Cabinet member: Councillor Stephen Holt)	All Wards	Budget and policy framework	Cabinet Full Council	2 Jun 2021 21 Jul 2021	Open	To be confirmed.	Report	Director of Regeneration and Planning (lan Fitzpatrick) Nathan Haffenden, Head of Commercial Business Development Tel: (01323) 410000 <u>nathan.thompson@lewes</u> <u>-eastbourne.gov.uk</u>

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Introduction of Planning Obligation Monitoring Fees The 2019 amendments to the CIL Regulations 2010 allows local planning authorities to charge a fee for the monitoring, and reporting on, the delivery of planning obligations. Introducing these monitoring fees would allow the Councils to cover the costs of efficient and effective monitoring and reporting of section 106 contributions. (Lead Cabinet member: Councillor Colin Swansborough)	All Wards	Кеу	Cabinet	2 Jun 2021	Open	None	Report	Director of Regeneration and Planning (Ian Fitzpatrick) Leigh Palmer, Head of Planning First Tel: 01323 415215 <u>leigh.palmer@lewes-</u> <u>eastbourne.gov.uk</u>

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Update to the Local Validation List:- Information required to support/accompany planning applications All local authorities have local issues/impacts. The Local Validation List seeks to identify the key local information that would be required to supplement planning applications (Lead Cabinet member: Councillor Alan Shuttleworth)	All Wards	Non-Key	Cabinet	2 Jun 2021	Open	None	Report	Director of Regeneration and Planning (Ian Fitzpatrick) Leigh Palmer, Head of Planning First Tel: 01323 415215 <u>leigh.palmer@lewes-</u> <u>eastbourne.gov.uk</u>

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Planning Enforcement Policy DocumentA planning enforcement document has been prepared that outlines the types of complaint that are received and how they we be processed.(Lead Cabinet member: Councillor Jonathan Dow)	All Wards	Key	Cabinet	2 Jun 2021	Open	Scruting Committee (if applicable)	Report	Director of Regeneration and Planning (Ian Fitzpatrick) Leigh Palmer, Head of Planning First Tel: 01323 415215 <u>leigh.palmer@lewes-</u> <u>eastbourne.gov.uk</u>
Asset Management Plan To agree the strategy and approach to all of our assets over the next four years. (Lead Cabinet member: Councillor David Tutt)	All Wards	Кеу	Cabinet	2 Jun 2021	Open	None	Report	Director of Regeneration and Planning (Ian Fitzpatrick) Nick Adlam, Programme Lead for Newhaven Sustainability Tel: 01323 415214 <u>nick.adlam@lewes- eastbourne.gov.uk</u>

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Joint Biodiversity Strategy The joint strategy and tailored action plan presented for approval (Lead Cabinet member: Councillor Jonathan Dow)	All Wards	Key	Cabinet	2 Jun 2021	Open	Possibly go to EEAN	Report	Director of Service Delivery (Tim Whelan) Jane Goodall, Strategy and Partnership Lead, Quality Environment Tel: 01273 484383 Jane.Goodall@lewes- eastbourne.gov.uk
Grounds Maintenance - Procurement and Provision Options for future Grounds Maintenance provision in EBC. (Lead Cabinet member: Councillor Jonathan Dow)	All Wards	Key	Cabinet	2 Jun 2021	Fully exempt Exempt information reason: 3	Not applicable	Report	Director of Service Delivery (Tim Whelan) Lee Michael, Specialist Services Manager Tel: 01323 415266 Lee.Michael@lewes- eastbourne.gov.uk

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Redundancy and redeployment To receive and note a report (if submitted to this meeting) giving details of employees currently subject to this policy and related financial implications. (Lead Cabinet member: Councillor Colin Swansborough)	All Wards	Key	Cabinet	2 Jun 2021	Fully exempt Exempt information reasons: 1, 2	Consultation with UNISON and the affected individuals takes place. It also provides for corporate resources to be made available to assist in the search for alternative employment both inside and externally to the Council.	Report	Assistant Director for Human Resources and Transformation (Becky Cooke) Helen Knight, Head of Human Resources Tel: 01323 415063 <u>helen.knight@lewes-</u> eastbourne.gov.uk

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Recovery and reset programme This report will update on progress with the R&R programme (Lead Cabinet member: Councillor David Tutt)	All Wards	Key	Cabinet	14 Jul 2021	Open	As detailed in the report.	Report	Chief Executive (Robert Cottrill) Lee Banner, Transformation Programme Manager Tel: 01323 415763 <u>lee.banner@lewes- eastbourne.gov.uk</u> Jo Harper, Head of Business Planning and Performance Tel: 01273 484049 jo.harper@lewes- eastbourne.gov.uk

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Corporate performance - quarter 4 - 2020/21 To update Members on the Council's performance against Corporate Plan priority actions, performance indicators and targets over Q4 2020/21 period. Report will include end of year outturn. (Lead Cabinet members: Councillor Colin Swansborough, Councillor Stephen Holt)	All Wards	Кеу	Cabinet	14 Jul 2021	Part exempt Exempt information reason: 3	Scrutiny Committee	Report	Director of Regeneration and Planning (lan Fitzpatrick), Chief Finance Officer (Homira Javadi) Millie McDevitt, Performance and Programmes Lead Tel: 01273 085637 millie.mcdevitt@lewes- eastbourne.gov.uk Andrew Clarke, Deputy Chief Finance Officer (Financial Planning) Tel: 01323 415691 andrew.clarke@lewes- eastbourne.gov.uk

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Medium term financial strategy To consider and approve the council's medium term financial strategy. (Lead Cabinet member: Councillor Stephen Holt)	All Wards	Key	Cabinet	14 Jul 2021	Open	Consultation be undertaken as part of a wider consultation on the council's budget for 2021/22 later in the year.	Report	Chief Finance Officer (Homira Javadi) Andrew Clarke, Deputy Chief Finance Officer (Financial Planning) Tel: 01323 415691 <u>andrew.clarke@lewes- eastbourne.gov.uk</u> Ola Owolabi, Deputy Chief Finance Officer (Corporate Finance) <u>ola.owolabi@lewes- eastbourne.gov.uk</u>

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Annual treasury management report To report on the activities and performance of the Treasury Management service during 2020/21. (Lead Cabinet member: Councillor Stephen Holt)	All Wards	Budget and policy framework	Cabinet Full Council	14 Jul 2021 21 Jul 2021	Open	Not applicable	Report	Chief Finance Officer (Homira Javadi) Ola Owolabi, Deputy Chief Finance Officer (Corporate Finance) ola.owolabi@lewes- eastbourne.gov.uk Andrew Clarke, Deputy Chief Finance Officer (Financial Planning) Tel: 01323 415691 andrew.clarke@lewes- eastbourne.gov.uk

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Bedfordwell Road Development The report seeks approval to enter in to a construction contract for 80 new build homes and refurbish the former Pump House to provide 20 residential homes and a commercial unit. (Lead Cabinet members: Councillor David Tutt, Councillor Alan Shuttleworth)	All Wards	Key	Cabinet	14 Jul 2021	Part exempt Exempt information reason: 3	Public consultation through planning process. Member consultation through Project Board which includes ClIrs Maxted, Taylor, Tutt and Shuttleworth.	Report	Director of Regeneration and Planning (Ian Fitzpatrick) Ian Beckett, Development Consultant Tel: 07740 336751 <u>ian.beckett@lewes-</u> <u>eastbourne.gov.uk</u>

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## **Explanatory Note**

The Council is required to publish information about all key decisions at least 28 days in advance of the decision being taken.

This plan is a list of the decisions likely to be taken over the coming four months. The list is not exhaustive as not all decisions are known that far in advance. The Plan is updated and re-published monthly.

The forward plan shows details of key decisions intended to be taken by the Cabinet and Chief Officers under their delegated powers.

The plan shows:

- the subject of the decisions
- what wards are affected
- the decision type
- who will make the decision
- when those decisions will be made
- expected exemption class (open, part exempt or fully exempt.)
- what the consultation arrangements are
- what documents relating to those decisions will be available
- who you can contact about the decision and how to obtain copies of those documents referred to in the plan

### What is a key decision?

"Key decisions" relate to a decision, which is likely:-

(1) to result in the Council incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the Council's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or

(2) to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards in the Council's area.

### What is budget and policy framework?

When a decision is marked as "budget and policy framework", it requires the approval of Full Council.

### **Confidential and exempt information**

From time to time, the forward plan will indicate matters (or part thereof) which may need to be considered in private, during which time the press and public will be excluded. This is in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 5(2) of the Local

Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

Any representations that such matters should not be considered in private should be sent to the contact officer.

Information given to the Council by a Government Department on terms which forbid its disclosure to the public, information which cannot be publicly disclosed by a Court Order and information, the disclosure of which is prohibited by an enactment are all legally defined as "Confidential Information" and must not be disclosed. All other local authority information which it is desired should not be disclosed has to be categorised under one or more of the following "Exempt Information" reasons (as given under Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972) and subject to the public interest test.

Category	Condition No.
1. Information relating to any individual.	See conditions 9 and 10 below.
2. Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.	See conditions 9 and 10 below.
3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).	See conditions 8, 9, 10 and 12 below.
4. Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under, the authority.	See conditions 9, 10, 11 and 12 below.
5. Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.	See conditions 9 and 10 below.
6. Information which reveals that the authority proposes—	See conditions 9, 10 and 12 below.
(a) to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or	
(b) to make an order or direction under any enactment.	
7. Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime.	See conditions 9 and 10 below.

#### Conditions

- 8. Information is not exempt information if it is required to be registered under:
- (a) the Companies Acts (as defined in section 2 of the Companies Act 2006;
- (b) the Friendly Societies Act 1974;
- (c) the Friendly Societies Act 1992;
- (d) the Industrial and Provident Societies Acts 1965 to 1978;

(e) the Building Societies Act 1986; or (f) the Charities Act 1993.

"Financial or business affairs" includes contemplated as well as past or current activities.

9. Information is not exempt information if it relates to proposed development for which the local planning authority may grant itself planning permission pursuant to regulation 3 of the Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992.

10. Information which:

(a) falls within any of paragraphs 1 to 7 above; and

(b) is not prevented from being exempt by virtue of paragraph 8 or 9 above,

is exempt information if and so long, as in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

11. "Labour relations matter" means:

(a) any of the matters specified in paragraphs (a) to (g) of section 218(1) of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 (matters which may be the subject of a trade dispute, within the meaning of that Act); or

(b) any dispute about a matter falling within paragraph (a) above;

and for the purposes of this definition the enactments mentioned in paragraph (a) above, with the necessary modifications, shall apply in relation to office-holders under the authority as they apply in relation to employees of the authority;

"Office-holder", in relation to the authority, means the holder of any paid office appointments to which are or may be made or confirmed by the authority or by any joint board on which the authority is represented or by any person who holds any such office or is an employee of the authority.

"Employee" means a person employed under a contract of service.

12. "The authority" is a reference to the council or a committee or sub-committee of the council or a joint committee of more than one council.

## **Further information**

The plan is available for inspection on the <u>Council's website: http://www.lewes-</u> eastbourne.gov.uk/councillors-committees-and-meetings/cabinet-and-committees/

If you have any questions about the Forward Plan please contact Simon Russell, Head of Democratic Services, on (01323) 415021, or e-mail <u>simon.russell@lewes-eastbourne.gov.uk</u>.