

# NEW FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL CABINET FORWARD PLAN

This Forward Plan lists matters on which decisions are likely to be considered by, or on behalf of the Council's Cabinet for a 12 month period. The Forward Plan also lists major decisions which fall within the definition of a "key decision" as outlined below:-

#### A key decision is one that is likely either:-

- a) to result in the Council incurring expenditure, or making savings, which are significant having regard to the Council's budget for the service of function to which the decision relates (expenditure or savings are always treated as significant if the sum exceeds £50,000, or 25% of the gross budget for the service, whichever is greater); or
- b) to result in an outcome which will have an impact, for better or worse, on a significant number of people living or working in an area comprising two or more wards in the Council's area; or to be significant in terms of its effect on communities in a ward.

### The Cabinet consists of eight Councillors and they are responsible for the following Portfolios:-

Councillor Jill Cleary - Leader of the Council

Councillor Diane Andrews - Deputy Leader and Planning, Regeneration and Infrastructure

Councillor Geoffrey Blunden - Partnering and Wellbeing

Councillor Steve Davies - Environment and Coastal Services

Councillor Michael Harris – Business, Tourism and High Streets

Councillor Edward Heron – Housing and Homelessness Services

Councillor Jeremy Heron - Finance, Investment and Corporate Services

Councillor David Russell - People and Places

#### Representations:

Anyone wishing to make representations about any matter included in this Forward Plan should contact the relevant report author seven working days before the first date shown for its consideration by the Cabinet.

## **Copies of Reports:**

Anyone wishing to view or obtain a copy of any public report on any of the matters included in this Forward Plan should access the Council's website.

Copies of reports and any relevant background documents can also be obtained by contacting the relevant report author named in this document. A reasonable charge may be made for hard copies of documents.

# **CABINET FORWARD PLAN - 1 DECEMBER 2022 TO 30 NOVEMBER 2023**

| Report Title   | Proposed Decisions   | Type of<br>Decision | When is the decision being made?                    | Who are the key people/groups to be consulted before the decision is made and how will the consultation take place? |                        | Report Author and Contact<br>Details  | Is the report<br>likely to be<br>considered<br>in private? |
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| Medium Term<br>Financial Plan<br>Update                              | To consider an update to the Medium Term Financial Plan  | Key<br>Decision     | Cabinet - 7<br>Dec 2022                             | Executive Management Team, Portfolio Holder - Finance, Investment and Corporate Services                            | N/A                    | Alan Bethune, Strategic Director of Corporate Resources, 151 and Transformation alan.bethune@nfdc.gov.uk          | Open   |
| Solent Freeport -<br>HM Government<br>Memorandum of<br>Understanding | To seek delegated authority for the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Section 151 Officer and Leader of the Council, to sign the Memorandum of Understanding on behalf of the Council as part of the Freeport designation process. | Non-Key<br>Decision | Cabinet - 7<br>Dec 2022<br>Council - 12<br>Dec 2022 | Executive<br>Management<br>Team,<br>Leader  | N/A                    | Alan Bethune, Strategic Director of<br>Corporate Resources, 151 and<br>Transformation<br>alan.bethune@nfdc.gov.uk | Open   |
| Setting the Council<br>Tax Base                                      | To recommend to<br>Council the approval<br>of the Tax Base for<br>2023/24  | Non-Key<br>Decision | Cabinet - 7<br>Dec 2022<br>Council - 12<br>Dec 2022 | Executive Management Team, Portfolio Holder - Finance, Investment and Corporate Services                            | None                   | Alan Bethune, Strategic Director of Corporate Resources, 151 and Transformation alan.bethune@nfdc.gov.uk          | Open   |

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| Council Tax<br>Reduction Scheme<br>2023/24              | To agree the Council<br>Tax Reduction<br>Scheme for 2023/24   | Non-Key<br>Decision | Cabinet - 7<br>Dec 2022<br>Council - 12<br>Dec 2022 | Executive Management Team, Portfolio Holder - Finance, Investment and Corporate Services, Corporate Affairs and Local Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel | A six week consultation on the proposals will be carried out. | Ryan Stevens, Service Manager -<br>Revenues and Benefits<br>ryan.stevens@nfdc.gov.uk   | Open   |
| Council Tax<br>discounts,<br>exemptions and<br>premiums | To agree the empty homes premium, second homes premium, discounts and policies  | Non-Key<br>Decision | Cabinet - 7<br>Dec 2022<br>Council - 12<br>Dec 2022 | Executive Management Team, Portfolio Holder - Finance, Investment and Corporate Services, Corporate Affairs and Local Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel | N/A   | Ryan Stevens, Service Manager -<br>Revenues and Benefits<br>ryan.stevens@nfdc.gov.uk   | Open   |
| Asset Investment<br>Strategy 2022                       | To consider and recommend to Council the approval of the Asset Investment Strategy 2022 and associated financial implications | Non-Key<br>Decision | Cabinet - 7<br>Dec 2022<br>Council - 12<br>Dec 2022 | Executive Management Team, Portfolio Holder – Finance, Investment and Corporate Services, Corporate Affairs   | N/A   | Alan Bethune, Strategic Director of<br>Corporate Resources, 151 and<br>Transformation<br>alan.bethune@nfdc.gov.uk,<br>Andrew Smith, Service Manager -<br>Estates and Valuation<br>andrew.smith@nfdc.gov.uk | Open   |

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|                             |  |                     |                                  | and Local<br>Economy<br>Overview and<br>Scrutiny Panel   |                        |   |  |
| Cemeteries<br>Provision     | To accept the proposed approach to cemeteries provision across NFDC to meet predicted future interment requirements and obligations. | Key<br>Decision     | Cabinet - 1<br>Feb 2023          | Executive Management Team, Portfolio Holder for People and Places  | N/A                    | lain Park, Grounds and Streetscene Manager iain.park@nfdc.gov.uk, Manjit Sandhu, Executive Head of Partnership and Operations manjit.sandhu@nfdc.gov.uk | Open   |
| Community Grants<br>2023/24 | To consider the<br>Community Grant<br>award for inclusion in<br>the 2023/24 budget   | Key<br>Decision     | Cabinet - 1<br>Feb 2023          | Community Grants Task and Finish Group, Community Partnerships and Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Panel, Portfolio Holder for People and Places |                        | Ryan Stevens, Service Manager -<br>Revenues and Benefits<br>ryan.stevens@nfdc.gov.uk  | Open   |
| Capital Strategy<br>2023/24 | To consider the<br>Capital Strategy<br>2023/24   | Key<br>Decision     | Cabinet - 1<br>Feb 2023          | Executive Management Team, Portfolio Holder - Finance, Investment and Corporate Services   | N/A                    | Alan Bethune, Strategic Director of Corporate Resources, 151 and Transformation alan.bethune@nfdc.gov.uk  | Open   |

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| Financial<br>Monitoring   | To provide an update on the 2022/23 General Fund, Capital Programme and Housing Revenue Account.            | Key<br>Decision     | Cabinet - 1<br>Feb 2023                             | Executive Management Team, Portfolio Holder - Finance, Investment and Corporate Services  | N/A                            | Alan Bethune, Strategic Director of Corporate Resources, 151 and Transformation alan.bethune@nfdc.gov.uk          | Open   |
| Housing Revenue Account budget and the housing sector capital expenditure programme for 2023/24     | To consider the Housing Revenue Account Budget and housing sector capital expenditure programme for 2023/24 | Non-Key<br>Decision | Cabinet - 1<br>Feb 2023<br>Council - 27<br>Feb 2023 | Executive Management Team, Portfolio Holder for Housing and Homelessness Services, Housing and Homelessness Overview and Scrutiny Panel                   | Tenant<br>Involvement<br>Group | Alan Bethune, Strategic Director of<br>Corporate Resources, 151 and<br>Transformation<br>alan.bethune@nfdc.gov.uk | Open   |
| Asset Maintenance<br>& Replacement<br>Programme and<br>General Fund<br>Capital Programme<br>2023/24 | To consider and recommend to Council the schedule of projects for inclusion in the 2023/24 budget           | Non-Key<br>Decision | Cabinet - 1<br>Feb 2023<br>Council - 27<br>Feb 2023 | Executive Management Team, Portfolio Holder - Finance, Investment and Corporate Services, Corporate Affairs and Local Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel | N/A                            | Alan Bethune, Strategic Director of<br>Corporate Resources, 151 and<br>Transformation<br>alan.bethune@nfdc.gov.uk | Open   |

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| Medium Term<br>Financial Plan and<br>Budget                      | To consider the<br>Medium Term<br>Financial Plan and<br>setting of the 2023/24<br>budget | Key<br>Decision     | Cabinet - 1<br>Feb 2023<br>Council - 27<br>Feb 2023 | Executive Management Team – Portfolio Holder – Finance, Investment and Corporate Services                           | N/A                    | Alan Bethune, Strategic Director of Corporate Resources, 151 and Transformation alan.bethune@nfdc.gov.uk | Open   |
| Members'<br>Allowances -<br>Scheme to apply<br>from 1 April 2023 | To recommend to<br>Council the annual<br>scheme of members'<br>allowances                | Non-Key<br>Decision | Cabinet - 1<br>Feb 2023<br>Council - 27<br>Feb 2023 | Executive<br>Management<br>Team   | N/A                    | Andy Rogers, Democratic Services<br>Officer andy.rogers@nfdc.gov.uk                                      | Open   |