

# Forward Plan of Key Decisions

The County Council must give at least 28 days’ notice of all key decisions to be taken by councillors or officers. The Plan describes these proposals and the month in which the decisions are to be taken over a four-month period. Decisions are categorised according to the [West Sussex Plan](#) priorities of:

- **Best Start in Life** (those concerning children, young people and schools)
- **A Prosperous Place** (the local economy, infrastructure, highways and transport)
- **A Safe, Strong and Sustainable Place** (Fire & Rescue, Environmental and Community services)
- **Independence in Later Life** (services for older people or work with health partners)
- **A Council that Works for the Community** (finances, assets and internal Council services)

The most important decisions will be taken by the Cabinet sitting in public. The [schedule of monthly Cabinet meetings](#) is available on the website. The Forward Plan is updated regularly and key decisions can be taken on any day in the month if they are not taken at Cabinet meetings. The [Plan](#) is available on the County Council’s website and from Democratic Services, County Hall, West Street, Chichester, PO19 1RQ, all Help Points and the main libraries in Bognor Regis, Crawley, Haywards Heath, Horsham and Worthing. [Published decisions](#) are also available via the website.

A key decision is one which:

- Involves expenditure or savings of £500,000 or more (except treasury management); and/or
- Will have a significant effect on communities in two or more electoral divisions in terms of how services are provided.

The following information is provided for each entry in the Forward Plan:

<b>Decision</b>	A summary of the proposal.
<b>Decision By</b>	Who will take the decision - if the Cabinet, it will be taken at a Cabinet meeting in public.
<b>West Sussex Plan priority</b>	Which of the five priorities in the West Sussex Plan the proposal affects.
<b>Date added</b>	The date the proposed decision was added to the Forward Plan.
<b>Month</b>	The decision will be taken on any working day in the month stated. If a Cabinet decision, it will be taken at the Cabinet meeting scheduled in that month.
<b>Consultation/ Representations</b>	How views and representations about the proposal will be considered or the proposal scrutinised, including dates of Scrutiny Committee meetings.
<b>Background Documents</b>	The documents containing more information about the proposal and how to obtain them (via links on the website version of the Forward Plan). Hard copies are available on request from the decision contact.
<b>Author</b>	The contact details of the decision report author
<b>Contact</b>	Who in Democratic Services you can contact about the entry

## Finance, assets, performance and risk management

Each month the Cabinet Member for Finance reviews the Council’s budget position and may take adjustment decisions. A similar monthly review of Council property and assets is carried out and may lead to decisions about them. These are noted in the Forward Plan as ‘rolling decisions’.

Each month the Cabinet will consider the Council’s performance against its planned outcomes and in connection with a register of corporate risk. Areas of particular significance may be considered at the scheduled Cabinet meetings.

Significant proposals for the management of the Council’s budget and spending plans will be dealt with at a scheduled Cabinet meeting and shown in the Plan as strategic budget options.

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## Forward Plan Summary

Summary of all forthcoming executive decisions in  
West Sussex Plan priority order

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## Executive Director Place Services

### Budget Increase: Crawley Growth Programme Eastern Gateway Scheme

The Eastern Gateway scheme is a key project within the growth programme and seeks to improve connectivity between the town and key development sites in the vicinity of the proposals including the Town Hall, County Buildings, Crawley College and Telford Place. In February 2019, the Executive Director approved the commencement of the tender process to secure a design and build Contractor through the WSCC Highways Design and Build framework. The design contract (stage 1) was awarded to Volker Fitzpatrick.

Design fees were allocated to each Crawley growth programme project. A design budget increase is required of £800k from within the Eastern gateway allocation of £8.35m. The eastern gateway allocation of £8.35 remains unchanged but the increase in design budget is required to:

- Undertake further redesign works, accommodate the new town hall schemes interface (Estimated design fee and project management cost are £380k).
- Complete liaison work with the utility providers.

The Executive Director Place Services will be asked, prior to the award of the construction contract, to increase the Design Budget.

<b>Decision by</b>	Lee Harris - Executive Director Place Services
<b>West Sussex Plan priority</b>	A Prosperous Place
<b>Date added</b>	15 February 2021
<b>Month</b>	March 2021
<b>Consultation/ Representations</b>	Growth Programme Partners. Representation can be made in the month before that in which the decision is due to be taken.
<b>Background Documents</b> (via website)	None
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