

Forward Plan of Key Decisions

The County Council must give at least 28 days’ notice of all key decisions to be taken by members 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:

Decision	A summary of the proposal.
Decision By	Who will take the decision - if the Cabinet, it will be taken at a Cabinet meeting in public.
West Sussex Plan priority	Which of the five priorities in the West Sussex Plan the proposal affects.
Date added	The date the proposed decision was added to the Forward Plan.
Month	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.
Consultation/ Representations	How views and representations about the proposal will be considered or the proposal scrutinised, including dates of Scrutiny Committee meetings.
Background Documents	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.
Author	The contact details of the decision report author
Contact	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

Decision Maker	Subject Matter	Date
Director of Highways, Transport and Planning	Adur and Worthing Agency Agreement for Parking Services	February 2020
Director of Highways, Transport and Planning	Concessionary Travel Scheme - award of bus pass manufacture and administration contract	February 2020
Cabinet Member for Highways and Infrastructure	Highways and Transport Delivery Programmes 2020/21	February 2020
Cabinet Member for Highways and Infrastructure	Licensing of Tables and Chairs on the Highway	March 2020
Director of Highways, Transport and Planning	A29 Realignment Scheme - submission of planning application	May 2020
Cabinet Member for Highways and Infrastructure	Review of the Integrated Parking Strategy	May 2020
Executive Director Place Services	Worthing Community Hub Award of Contract	February 2020
Cabinet Member for Environment	Electric Vehicle Charging Procurement	March 2020
Cabinet Member for Environment	West Sussex Minerals and Waste Development Scheme 2020-2023	April 2020
Executive Director Place Services	Award of Contract for Self Service Library Kiosks	February 2020

A Prosperous Place

Director of Highways, Transport and Planning

Adur and Worthing Agency Agreement for Parking Services	
<p>In 2015, the County Council entered into a five-year Agency Agreement with Adur and Worthing local authorities for the procurement, management and operation of Civil Parking Enforcement and the operational management of the Worthing Controlled Parking Zone.</p> <p>The Agreement, which expires on 31 March 2020, has been reviewed and the County Council wishes to extend the Agreement subject to some variations that reflect current working practices.</p> <p>The Director for Highways, Transport and Planning will be asked to approve the extension of the Agency Agreement for a period of four years.</p>	
Decision by	Matt Davey - Director of Highways, Transport and Planning
West Sussex Plan priority	A Prosperous Place
Date added	20 December 2019
Month	February 2020
Consultation/ Representations	<p>Adur and Worthing local authorities Director of Law and Assurance</p> <p>Representations concerning this proposed decision can be made to the Director of Highways, Transport and Planning, via the officer contact, by the beginning of the month in which the decision is due to be taken.</p>
Background Documents (via website)	None
Author	Miles Davy Tel: 033 022 26688
Contact	Judith Shore 033 022 26052

Director of Highways, Transport and Planning

Concessionary Travel Scheme - award of bus pass manufacture and administration contract	
<p>The Council has a statutory responsibility as a Travel Concession Authority to administer a Concessionary Travel Scheme that provides free bus travel to eligible older and disabled persons.</p> <p>The West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA), which comprises 18 local authorities and four Local Enterprise Partnerships, has awarded Smartcard framework</p>	

agreements following an extensive European procurement. The benefits include:

- Competitive dialogue has allowed WMCA to select the best service
- Local Authority partners don't need to undertake their own procurement
- Economies of scale due to a shared service
- Option for a long-term arrangement
- Easy and cost-effective upgrade options built in

The Director for Highways, Transport and Planning will be asked to approve the direct award of a bus pass manufacture and administration services contract under the West Midlands Combined Authority Framework.

Decision by	Matt Davey - Director of Highways, Transport and Planning
West Sussex Plan priority	A Prosperous Place
Date added	2 September 2019
Month	February 2020
Consultation/ Representations	Cabinet Member for Highways and Infrastructure Director of Law and Assurance Director of Finance and Support Services Representations concerning this proposed decision can be made to the Director of Highways, Transport and Planning, via the officer contact, by the beginning of the month in which the decision is due to be taken.
Background Documents (via website)	None
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Cabinet Member for Highways and Infrastructure

Highways and Transport Delivery Programmes 2020/21

The Highway and Transport Delivery Programmes identify capital highways infrastructure maintenance and transport improvement schemes for delivery during 2020/21 and beyond. Capital funding for the Delivery Programmes is predominantly received from the Government for roads maintenance (the Local Highway Maintenance Block), and transport improvements (the Integrated Transport Block) supported by additional funding from developer agreements and contributions.

The indicative forward programmes for Highway Infrastructure Maintenance, Local Transport Improvements (LTIP) and Community Highway Schemes (CHS), have informed the 2020/21 Highways and Transport Delivery Programmes. These provide transparency of the maintenance and improvements investment needs, and the funding priorities prepared and selected for review and approval in this decision.

The Cabinet Member will be asked to approve –

1. The Local Highway Maintenance Block funded Delivery Programmes to allow implementation of schemes for delivery from 1 April 2020.
2. The Integrated Transport Block funded Delivery Programmes to commencement and implementation of schemes from 1 April 2020.
3. That the Highway and Transport Delivery Programme for 2020/21 is circulated to County Local Committees and other appropriate stakeholders and published on the West Sussex highways webpages for information.
4. That the Director of Highways, Transport and Planning has delegated authority to adjust the 2020/21 Highway and Transport Delivery Programme to take account of budgetary pressures and any changes in priority arising as a result of network availability, emergencies, or other operational circumstances, in consultation with the Cabinet Member.

Decision by	Mr Elkins - Cabinet Member for Highways and Infrastructure
West Sussex Plan priority	A Prosperous Place
Date added	17 December 2019
Month	February 2020
Consultation/ Representations	<p>The County Local Committees will be informed and asked to note schemes in their specific areas (anticipated during the February/March 2020 round of meetings).</p> <p>Internal consultation in development of the Delivery Programmes – those responsible for assets and programme leads within the Highways, Transport and Planning service.</p> <p>Representations concerning this proposed decision can be made to the Cabinet Member for Highways and Infrastructure, via the officer contact, by the beginning of the month in which the decision is due to be taken.</p>
Background Documents (via website)	None
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Cabinet Member for Highways and Infrastructure

Licensing of Tables and Chairs on the Highway

It is a legal requirement for businesses to have a licence for tables and chairs positioned on the highway (this includes pavements) and the County Council must be able to assess each location for its suitability. The increasing number of tables and chairs on the highway has led to a significant rise in complaints.

The licence fee, which includes the cost of undertaking site assessments, legal work in preparing the licences, advertising and the on-going management of the scheme must ensure full cost recovery.

Further to the commitment to review the charging mechanism, there will be a full consultation with traders, stakeholders, the public and Members about the benefits of a scheme which takes into account the size of the area occupied by the tables and chairs.

The Cabinet Member will be asked to consider the outcome of the consultation and agree a fee structure for the positioning of tables and chairs on the highway.

Decision by	Mr Elkins - Cabinet Member for Highways and Infrastructure
West Sussex Plan priority	A Prosperous Place
Date added	29 January 2020
Month	March 2020
Consultation/ Representations	Stakeholder consultation commencing 27 January 2020. Environment and Communities Committee 5 March 2020. Representations concerning this proposed decision can be made to the Cabinet Member for Highways and Infrastructure, via the officer contact, by the beginning of the month in which the decision is due to be taken.
Background Documents (via website)	None
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Director of Highways, Transport and Planning

A29 Realignment Scheme - submission of planning application
<p>The A29 Realignment Scheme will deliver a new 4.34 km road to the east of Eastergate, Westergate and Woodgate villages. The scheme will be delivered in at least two phases. The full scheme (phases 1 and 2) has an estimated cost of £54.24m and will provide part of the highway infrastructure needed to support the planned strategic development of the area by providing access to land for residential and commercial development. The scheme will also alleviate traffic congestion along the existing A29, notably at the Woodgate level crossing which causes delays on to a key access route into Bognor Regis.</p> <p>The Transport Business Case submitted to the Coast to Capital Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) was approved by their Investment Board on 17 October 2019.</p> <p>Subsequently, £9.90 million of Local Growth Funding was awarded for the delivery of Phase 1 (between A29 Fontwell Ave and B2233 Barnham Road) subject to entering into a funding agreement. The LEP has also agreed that further funds totalling £2.40 million will be earmarked for the delivery of Phase 2 should additional Government funding</p>

become available to the LEP.

In March 2019, the Cabinet Member for Highways and Infrastructure [approved](#) the route, business case, consultation and delegated the finalisation of the funding agreement, the procurement process and award of a design and build contractor for Phase 1 of the scheme to the Director of Highways and Transport.

In December 2019, the Director of Highways, Transport and Planning [entered](#) into a funding agreement with the LEP for Phase 1 of the scheme and awarded the design and build contract for phase 1 of the scheme to Jackson Civil Engineering Group Ltd

The Director of Highways, Transport and Planning will be asked to submit a planning application for Phase 1 of the scheme.

Decision by	Matt Davey - Director of Highways, Transport and Planning
West Sussex Plan priority	A Prosperous Place
Date added	19 February 2020
Month	May 2020
Consultation/ Representations	<p>Consultation took place between 26 February – 26 April 2019 and further consultation will be undertaken as part of the planning application process.</p> <p>Representations concerning this proposed decision can be made to the Director of Highways, Transport and Planning, via the officer contact, by the beginning of the month in which the decision is due to be taken.</p>
Background Documents (via website)	None
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Cabinet Member for Highways and Infrastructure

Review of the Integrated Parking Strategy

The County Council's Integrated Parking Strategy (IPS) was previously reviewed in 2014 and, in the context of recent changes in national, regional and local conditions, requires a further review.

The revised IPS will cover the period to 2024 and will seek to ensure that the County Council's parking policies remain appropriate and effective at meeting the needs of local communities, its traffic management responsibilities and the wider policies and agenda.

The IPS will sit within and contribute towards the County Council's wider transport, economic, community, environment, and health strategies.

The Cabinet Member for Highways and Infrastructure will be asked to approve the

revised Integrated Parking Strategy.	
Decision by	Mr Elkins - Cabinet Member for Highways and Infrastructure
West Sussex Plan priority	A Prosperous Place
Date added	19 February 2020
Month	May 2020
Consultation/ Representations	All County Councillors, District/Borough Councils, Sussex Police, Transport Operators and other stakeholders Representations concerning this proposed decision can be made to the Cabinet Member for Highways and Infrastructure, via the officer contact, by the beginning of the month in which the decision is due to be taken.
Background Documents (via website)	None
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A Strong, Safe and Sustainable Place

Executive Director Place Services

Worthing Community Hub Award of Contract	
<p>This decision is subject to the approval of the decision by the Cabinet member for Safer, Stronger Communities on the Worthing Community Hub to approve the allocation of funds and commencement of a procurement process to allow the building works required to create a Community Hub in Worthing, based on the agreed detailed designs in the building currently known as Worthing Library and to delegate authority to the Executive Director of Place Services.</p> <p>The Executive Director Place Services will be asked to award the contract to the successful bidder in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders on Procurement and Contracts.</p>	
Decision by	Lee Harris - Executive Director Place Services
West Sussex Plan priority	A Strong, Safe and Sustainable Place
Date added	9 April 2019
Month	February 2020

Consultation/ Representations	Representations concerning this proposed decision can be made to the Executive Director of Place Services, via the author or officer contact, by the beginning of the month in which the decision is due to be taken.
Background Documents (via website)	None
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Cabinet Member for Environment

Electric Vehicle Charging Procurement	
<p>At a meeting of the Cabinet on 3 December 2019, the County Council adopted an Electric Vehicle Strategy. This strategy sets out the County Council's vision for electric vehicles across the county, and the interventions required to deliver this vision. One of the actions is to enable a comprehensive and cohesive public charging solution on public land by appointing a market-based partner to provide the charging point network.</p> <p>The Cabinet Member for Environment will be asked to approve the decision to commence the procurement process and to delegate authority to the Director of Environment and Public Protection, in consultation with the Director of Highways to award the service concession contract following the procurement exercise.</p>	
Decision by	Mrs Urquhart - Cabinet Member for Environment
West Sussex Plan priority	A Strong, Safe and Sustainable Place
Date added	17 December 2019
Month	March 2020
Consultation/ Representations	<p>District and Borough Councils Internal stakeholders including legal, finance, procurement and highways</p> <p>Representations concerning this proposed decision can be made to the Executive Director Place Services, via the officer contact, by the beginning of the month in which the decision is due to be taken.</p>
Background Documents (via website)	None
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Cabinet Member for Environment

West Sussex Minerals and Waste Development Scheme 2020-2023	
<p>The County Council is required to prepare a Minerals and Waste Development Scheme which sets out how the County Council will prepare the minerals and waste local plans and other policy documents over a rolling three-year period.</p> <p>The current Scheme covers the period 2019-2022 and needs to be updated; the decision report will consider the revised Scheme for the period 2020-2023.</p> <p>The Cabinet Member for Environment will be asked to approve the West Sussex Minerals and Waste Development Scheme 2020-2023.</p>	
Decision by	Mrs Urquhart - Cabinet Member for Environment
West Sussex Plan priority	A Strong, Safe and Sustainable Place
Date added	19 February 2020
Month	April 2020
Consultation/ Representations	<p>Informal consultation with the South Downs National Park Authority</p> <p>Representations concerning this proposed decision can be made to the Cabinet Member Environment, via the officer contact, by the beginning of the month in which the decision is due to be taken.</p>
Background Documents (via website)	None
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A Council that works for the Community

Executive Director Place Services

Award of Contract for Self Service Library Kiosks
<p>When visiting the West Sussex Library Service residents regularly use self-service kiosks to transact a range of library services.</p> <p>In order to provide modern, longer term services procurement (decision ref: OKD10 19/20) is currently underway for Self Service Library kiosk replacement in West Sussex libraries. An allocation of £1m is included in the 2019/20 – 2023/24 capital programme for the replacement of kiosks.</p>

Following the completion of the procurement process, the Executive Director Place Services will seek to award the Contract for the Self-Service Library Kiosks to the preferred bidder.

Decision by	Lee Harris - Executive Director Place Services
West Sussex Plan priority	A Council that Works for the Community
Date added	21 August 2019
Month	February 2020
Consultation/ Representations	Representations concerning the proposed decision can be made to the Executive Director Place Services by the beginning of the month in which the decision is due to be taken.
Background Documents (via website)	None
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