



CABINET

Monday 7 July 2025

10.00 a.m.

**Council Chamber, Rotherham Town Hall,
Moorgate Street, Rotherham. S60 2TH**

Cabinet Members:-

Leader of the Council
Deputy Leader & Children and Young People Portfolio
Adult Social Care and Health Portfolio
Housing Portfolio
Finance & Community Safety Portfolio
Street Scene and Green Spaces Portfolio
Transport, Jobs and the Local Economy Portfolio

Councillor Chris Read
Councillor Victoria Cusworth
Councillor Joanna Baker-Rogers
Councillor Linda Beresford
Councillor Saghir Alam
Councillor Lynda Marshall
Councillor John Williams

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Venue: The Town Hall, The Crofts, Moorgate Street, Rotherham.
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This meeting will be webcast live and will be available to view via the [Council's website](#). The items which will be discussed are described on the agenda below and there are reports attached which give more details.

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A G E N D A

1. Apologies for Absence

To receive apologies from any Member who is unable to attend the meeting.

2. Declarations of Interest

To invite Councillors to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests or personal interests they may have in any matter which is to be considered at this meeting, to confirm the nature of those interests and whether they intend to leave the meeting for the consideration of the item.

3. Questions from Members of the Public

To receive questions from members of the public who wish to ask a general question in respect of matters within the Council's area of responsibility or influence.

Subject to the Chair's discretion, members of the public may ask one question and one supplementary question, which should relate to the original question and answer received.

Councillors may also ask questions under this agenda item.

4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting (Pages 11 - 24)

To receive the record of proceedings of the Cabinet meeting held on 9 June 2025.

5. Exclusion of the Press and Public

Agenda Item(s) 13, 17, 18 , 19 and 20 have exempt appendices. Therefore, if necessary when considering those items, the Chair will move the following resolution:-

That under Section 100(A) 4 of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item(s) of business on the grounds that it/they involve(s) the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12(A) of such Act indicated, as now amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006.

DEPUTY LEADER & CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

6. The Local Offer for Kinship Carers (Pages 25 - 72)

Report from the Strategic Director of Children and Young People's Service.

Recommendations:

That Cabinet agree and approve the content and publication of the Kinship Local Offer.

7. SEND Sufficiency Aspire Pupil Referral Unit (Pages 73 - 90)

Report from the Strategic Director of Children & Young Peoples Service.

Recommendations:

That Cabinet:

1. Note the update on the progress made against the Special School Capital Accessibility Funding programme and approve the programme of capital work at Kelford School.
2. Approve the programme of capital work at Rotherham Aspire Pupil Referral Unit to support sufficiency requirements.

FINANCE & COMMUNITY SAFETY

8. May 2025-26 Financial Monitoring Report (Pages 91 - 108)

Report by the Strategic Director of Finance and Customer Services.

Recommendations:

That Cabinet

1. Note the current General Fund Revenue Budget forecast underspend of £0.1m.
2. Note the updated position of the Capital Programme.

9. Treasury Management Outturn 2024-25 (Pages 109 - 128)

Report by the Strategic Director of Finance and Customer Services.

Recommendations:

That Cabinet note the Treasury Management Prudential Indicators outturn position as set out in Section 2 and Appendix 1.

10. Financial Outturn 2024-25 (Pages 129 - 174)

Report by the Strategic Director of Finance and Customer Services.

Recommendations

That Cabinet:

1. Note the revenue outturn position for 2024/25.
2. Note the budgeted transfer to HRA reserves increased by £4.4m following the revenue and capital outturn positions.
3. Note the carry forward of the combined surplus schools balance of £2.3m in accordance with the Department for Education regulations.
4. Note the reserves position set out in paragraphs 2.52 to 2.57.
5. Note the capital outturn, funding position and programme variations as set out in paragraphs 2.58 to 2.91.
6. Approve the capital budget variations as detailed in section 2.79 to 2.82 of the report.
7. Note the position on CRSTS Revenue Grant as set out in paragraphs 2.92 to 2.94 and delegate the decision to allocate and spend the remaining grant to the Assistant Director Planning Regeneration and Transport in consultation with the Section 151 Officer and the Cabinet Member.

11. Ethical Procurement Policy (Pages 175 - 216)

Report by the Strategic Director of Finance and Customer Services.

Recommendations:

That Cabinet:

1. Formalise the support of the UK Steel Charter as the successor to the Sustainable British Steel Charter.
2. Approve the updated Ethical Procurement Policy for 2025.

12. Fitzwilliam Road Public Space Protection Order (Pages 217 - 266)

Report from the Strategic Director of Regeneration and Environment.

Recommendations:

The Cabinet approves the renewal of the Fitzwilliam Road Order (Appendix 1) for a period of three years upon expiry of the current Order in July 2025.

HOUSING**13. Housing Delivery Programme Report 2025-26 Update (Pages 267 - 317)**

Report from the Strategic Director of Adult Care, Housing and Public Health.

Recommendations

That Cabinet:

1. Notes the continued progress made in delivering the Council's Housing Delivery Programme, including the delivery of 57 new homes in the period covered by this report, and the ongoing work to deliver 1,000 new Council homes by Summer 2027.
2. Approves the purchase of homes from any of the schemes identified in Exempt Appendix 2.
3. Approves the programme changes outlined in this report to facilitate the delivery of 1,000 new homes 'on time' (by Summer 2027) and 'on budget' (within the financial resources allocated to the Programme from the Housing Revenue Account). This includes the removal and addition of specific schemes as outlined in Section 2, paragraphs 2.10 to 2.20 of the report.
4. Approves the disposal of the four sites listed in Table 4, subject to Cabinet approval of Recommendation 3 (above), and following the usual Council disposal process. The receipts to be ringfenced to the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Housing Delivery Programme.

5. Approves the appropriation of 19 Cranworth Road into the Housing Revenue Account, and its refurbishment for use as a Council home via the Market Acquisitions workstream (see Section 2, paragraph 2.19 and Section 6, paragraph 6.7 of the report).
6. Agrees to continue to receive an update on the housing development programme every six months.

14. Denman Road Housing Development, Wath (Pages 319 - 355)

Report from the Strategic Director of Adult Care, Housing and Public Health.

Recommendations:

That Cabinet:

1. Approves development of the Denman Road site, to build an estimated 18 new Council homes, with the final number subject to planning permission and further design work.
2. Delegates authority to the Interim Assistant Director of Housing, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing, to optimise design of the sites according to strategic need, site constraints, and any requirements resulting from both stakeholder feedback and the planning application process.

15. Tenant Satisfaction Measures and Housing Regulatory Compliance Update (Pages 357 - 387)

Report from the Strategic Director of Adult Care, Housing and Public Health.

Recommendations:

That Cabinet:

1. Notes the contents of the report.
2. Agrees to receive a further update in six months' time.

LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

16. Council Plan 2022-2025 and Year Ahead Delivery Plan Progress Update 2024-25 (Pages 389 - 562)

Report from the Assistant Chief Executive.

Recommendations:

That Cabinet:

1. Note the overall position in relation to the Year Ahead Delivery Plan activities.
2. Note the Quarter 4 data for the Council Plan performance measures.
3. Note that the Council has been using a new Council Plan from June 2025 with this being the final report for the 2022-25 Council Plan.

STREET SCENE AND GREEN SPACES

17. Land Acquisition for Flood Alleviation Schemes (Pages 563 - 589)

Report from the Strategic Director of Regeneration and Environment.

Recommendations

That Cabinet:

1. Approve the acquisition of approximately 20.04 acres from land title SYK345249 together with associated costs.
2. Approve the acquisition of approximately 15.12 acres from land title SYK648291 together with associated costs.
3. Approve the acquisition of approximately 0.17 acres from land title SYK229346 together with associated costs.
4. Approve the acquisition of approximately 0.12 acres from land title SYK129461 together with associated costs.
5. Approve the lease of approximately 1.11 acres from land title SYK550557 together with associated costs.
6. Approve the acquisition of approximately 12.02 acres from land title SYK156703

TRANSPORT, JOBS AND THE LOCAL ECONOMY

18. Effingham Street Public Realm (Pages 591 - 617)

Report from the Strategic Director of Regeneration and Environment.

Recommendations

That Cabinet approve:

1. Reallocation of funding identified in the exempt Appendix 2 from Town Centre Investment Fund (TCIF) to the proposed Effingham Street public realm improvements.
2. The delivery of the Effingham Street public realm improvements project as detailed at Appendix 1 and the budget as detailed at exempt Appendix 2.

19. Health Hub Development (Pages 619 - 643)

Report from the Strategic Director of Regeneration and Environment.

Recommendations

That Cabinet:

1. Approve delivery of Phase 1 of the Town Centre Health Hub project within the scope and budget as detailed at Appendix 1 and Exempt Appendix 2.
2. Approve the allocation of funding from the Pathfinder programme to progress to final design and implementation of Phase 1 and feasibility work for Phase 2.
3. Note the intentions for Phase 2 of the Town Centre Health Hub and approve the commencement of negotiations with interested parties for the provision of General Practice or other walk-in health services.
4. Note the intentions for the Town Centre Music Venue project.

20. Mainline Station and Strategic Acquisition (Pages 645 - 745)

Report from the Strategic Director of Regeneration and Environment.

Recommendations:

That Cabinet:

1. Endorses the Rotherham Gateway Station (Mainline and Tram-Train) Masterplan, attached at Appendix 1.
2. Approves undertaking public engagement on the Masterplan in the autumn of 2025.
3. Delegates authority to the Strategic Director for Regeneration and Environment in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Transport, Jobs and the Local Economy to prepare and submit a Strategic Programme Business Case for the Masterplan to South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority (SYMCA).

4. Authorises the Assistant Director of Property and Facilities Services to agree the acquisition of properties in exempt Appendix 2 in consultation with the Council's Section 151 Officer, Strategic Director for Regeneration & Environment, Cabinet Member for Jobs & the Local Economy and the Cabinet Member for Finance and Community Safety.
5. Approves the allocation of the Strategic Acquisitions Fund agreed at the March 2025 Budget Council to progress the acquisition of the sites as outlined in exempt Appendix 2, including potential holding costs that the Council may incur.
6. Grants a Resolution in Principle to investigate the use of powers, under a Compulsory Purchase Order or Transport and Works Act Order.

21. Recommendations from Overview and Scrutiny Management Board (To Follow)

To receive a report detailing the recommendations of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board in respect of the above items that were subject to pre-decision scrutiny on 2nd July 2025.

22. Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Cabinet will be held on Monday 15 September 2025 commencing at 10.00am in Rotherham Town Hall.



John Edwards,
Chief Executive.