

Cabinet Decisions

19 January 2026

A record of decisions made at the Cabinet Meeting, which took place on Monday 19 January 2026.

Cabinet Decision Making

The membership of the Cabinet is:

Leader of the Council

Councillor Chris Read

Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member – Children and Young People

Councillor Victoria Cusworth

Cabinet Member – Adult Social Care and Health

Councillor Joanna Baker-Rogers

Cabinet Member – Finance and Community Safety

Councillor Saghir Alam OBE

Cabinet Member – Housing

Councillor Linda Beresford

Cabinet Member – Street Scene and Green Spaces

Councillor Lynda Marshall

Cabinet Member – Transport, Jobs and the Local Economy

Councillor John Williams

All Cabinet decisions are taken collectively at Cabinet Meetings. There are no decisions taken by individual Cabinet Members.

Decisions taken by Cabinet are detailed below and are subject to the Call-In Procedure set out at Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 13. This rule provides for a period of seven working days from the date of the publication of the decision notice before any decision taken by the Cabinet can be implemented.

CABINET DECISIONS TAKEN ON 19 January 2026

Report Title	Portfolio	Directorate	Contact Officer	Decision / Recommendations agreed	Alternative Options Considered	Conflict of Interest Recorded	Dispensations Granted	Action Date
Inspection of Local Authority Children's Services (ILACS) Inspection Report	Deputy Leader and Children and Young People	Children and Young People's Services	Nicola Curley, Executive Director of Children and Young People's Services	That Cabinet note the outcome of the inspection regarding the effectiveness of children's services in Rotherham and endorse the priorities identified for continued focus.	Report - ILACS Report	N/A	N/A	29/01/26
November 2025/26 Financial Monitoring Report	Finance and Community Safety	Corporate Services	Judith Badger, Executive Director of Corporate Services	That Cabinet: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Note the current General Fund Revenue Budget forecast overspend of £3.4m. 2. Note the projected overspend and that whilst the Council aims to manage this pressure, should that not be possible use of reserves will be required to balance the 2025/26 financial position. 3. Note the updated position of the Capital Programme. 4. Approve the capital budget variations as detailed in section 2.17 of the report. 	Report - November 2025/26 Financial Monitoring Report	N/A	N/A	29/01/26
New Application for Business Rates Discretionary Relief for Rotherham Families First	Finance and Community Safety	Corporate Services	Judith Badger, Executive Director of Corporate Services	That Cabinet approve the application for Discretionary Business Rates Relief for Rotherham Families First in accordance with the details set out in Section 6 of this report for the 2025/26 and 2026/27 financial years.	Report - Business Rates Application - Rotherham Families First	N/A	N/A	29/01/26
Council Homes Housing Delivery Programme Report January 2026	Housing	Adult Care, Housing and Public Health	Ian Spicer, Executive Director of Adult Care, Housing and Public Health	That Cabinet: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Notes the continued progress made in delivering the Council's Housing Delivery Programme, including the delivery of 55 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 delivery and purchase of homes from any of the schemes identified in Exempt Appendices 1 and 2b, subject to affordability and alignment with current and future programme objectives and the Council's capital approval processes. 	Report - Council Homes Housing Delivery Programme January 2026	N/A	N/A	29/01/26

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				<p>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 Table 3, paragraph 2.4.</p> <p>4. Approves the appropriation of 18 St Edmunds Avenue (see Appendix 4) into the Housing Revenue Account (subject to Secretary of State approval if required), and work to convert the property into four 1-bedroom flats for use as Council homes via the Market Acquisitions workstream (see paragraphs 2.11 and 2.12).</p> <p>5. Approves the appropriation of land at Canklow (see plan attached at Appendix 5) into the Housing Revenue Account to enable the delivery of two Council homes as part of the housing delivery programme (see paragraph 2.7).</p> <p>6. Agrees the intention to undertake initial feasibility work and technical due diligence on up to 18 Council-owned sites (Appendix 6) to assess their development potential for the future delivery of new social and affordable homes, and to inform any subsequent decision to develop or dispose of the land (see paragraph 2.16).</p> <p>7. Agrees to delegate authority to the Service Director of Housing, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing, to make any necessary substitutions or changes to the agreed site list (Recommendation 6) to ensure that the programme of feasibility work and technical due diligence remains deliverable and aligned with strategic priorities.</p>				

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				<p>8. Agrees to delegate authority to the Service Director of Housing, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing, to appoint appropriate consultants to carry out this work following the Council's procurement process.</p> <p>9. Agrees to delegate authority to the Service Director of Housing, in consultation with the Section 151 Officer and Service Director of Legal Services, to enter into a Grant Funding Agreement with the Homes and Communities Agency (trading as 'Homes England') in relation to the Social and Affordable Homes Programme 2026 – 2036 (see paragraph 2.37).</p> <p>10. Agrees to continue to receive an update on the Housing Development Programme every six months.</p>				
Tenant Satisfaction Measures and Housing Regulatory Compliance Update	Housing	Adult Care, Housing and Public Health	Ian Spicer, Executive Director of Adult Care, Housing and Public Health	<p>That Cabinet:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Notes the content of the report. 2. Agrees to receive a further update in six months' time. 	Report - Tenant Satisfaction Measures Report	N/A	N/A	29/01/26
Council Plan and Year Ahead Delivery Plan Progress Update	Leader	Policy, Strategy and Engagement	Judith Badger, Executive Director of Corporate Services	<p>That Cabinet:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Note the overall position in relation to the Year Ahead Delivery Plan activities. 2. Note the <u>Quarter 2 data</u> for the Council Plan performance measures. 3. Note that a progress report covering the remainder of the year will be presented to Cabinet in July 2026. 	Report - Council Plan and Year Ahead Delivery Plan Progress Update	N/A	N/A	29/01/26
Strategic Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Update	Transport, Jobs and the Local Economy	Regeneration and Environment	Andrew Bramidge, Executive Director of Regeneration and Environment	That Cabinet approves the allocation of Strategic CIL funds to the Whiston Brook Flood Alleviation Scheme (£3,000,000).	Report - Strategic CIL	N/A	N/A	29/01/26