

Cabinet Decisions

13 April 2026

A record of decisions made at the Cabinet Meeting, which took place on Monday 13 April 2026

Cabinet Decision Making

The membership of the Cabinet is:

Leader of the Council

Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member – Children and Young People

Cabinet Member – Adult Social Care and Health

Cabinet Member – Finance and Community Safety

Cabinet Member – Housing

Cabinet Member – Street Scene and Green Spaces

Cabinet Member – Transport, Jobs and the Local Economy

Councillor Chris Read

Councillor Victoria Cusworth

Councillor Joanna Baker-Rogers

Councillor Saghir Alam OBE

Councillor Linda Beresford

Councillor Lynda Marshall

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 13 April 2026

Report Title	Portfolio	Directorate	Contact Officer	Decision / Recommendations agreed	Alternative Options Considered	Conflict of Interest Recorded	Dispensations Granted	Action Date
Extra Care Housing Model	Adult Social Care and Health	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. Note the preferred option to remodel care and support to tenants in the ECH schemes, as set out in paragraph 3.5 of the report. 2. Approve a formal, public consultation on this option for 90 days from May to July 2026. 3. Note that the findings of the consultation and proposed final model will be presented to Cabinet in September 2026 for approval. 	Report - Extra Care Housing Model	N/A	N/A	23/04/26
Family Hub Progress Update and Extension	Deputy Leader and Children and Young	Children and Young People's Services	Nicola Curley, Executive Director of Children and	<p>That Cabinet:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Notes the update and progress made in the 	Report - Family Hubs Progress Update and	N/A	N/A	23/04/26

Report Title	Portfolio	Directorate	Contact Officer	Decision / Recommendations agreed	Alternative Options Considered	Conflict of Interest Recorded	Dispensations Granted	Action Date
	People		Young People's Services	<p>delivery of the Family Hubs programme over the last year.</p> <p>2. Approves a consultation on proposals to deregister the existing Children's Centres to enable the Council to move forward with the Family Hubs programme and for the decision, based on the consultation, to be delegated to the Executive Director for Children and Young People's Services in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People.</p> <p>3. Approves, in line with government requirements and to ensure consistency for families, that Family</p>	Extension			

Report Title	Portfolio	Directorate	Contact Officer	Decision / Recommendations agreed	Alternative Options Considered	Conflict of Interest Recorded	Dispensations Granted	Action Date
				<p>Hubs and Children’s Centre buildings are renamed as either Best Start Family Hubs or “Connect” Best Start Family Hubs, in line with the Best Start Family Hubs and Healthy Babies Programme expectations.</p> <p>4. Notes the future of the programme with additional grant funding to embed the model and agrees that the decision to accept and allocate this funding be delegated to the Executive Director for Children and Young People’s Services in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People.</p>				

Report Title	Portfolio	Directorate	Contact Officer	Decision / Recommendations agreed	Alternative Options Considered	Conflict of Interest Recorded	Dispensations Granted	Action Date
Domestic Abuse Strategy	Deputy Leader and Children and Young People	Regeneration and Environment	Andrew Bramidge, Executive Director of Regeneration and Environment	That Cabinet: 1. Endorse the Domestic Abuse and Sexual Offences Strategy 2026/27 – 2028/29 (attached at Appendix 1.) 2. Note that regular oversight of the Strategy will be undertaken by the Safer Rotherham Partnership Board and the Improving Lives Select Committee.	Report - Domestic Abuse Strategy	N/A	N/A	23/04/26
Community Governance Review	Finance and Community Safety	Corporate Services	Judith Badger, Executive Director of Corporate Services.	That Cabinet: 1. Approves the commencement of a Boroughwide Community Governance Review. 2. Approves the Terms of Reference of the review as set out in Appendix 1.	Report - Community Governance Review	N/A	N/A	23/04/26

Report Title	Portfolio	Directorate	Contact Officer	Decision / Recommendations agreed	Alternative Options Considered	Conflict of Interest Recorded	Dispensations Granted	Action Date
				<p>3. Approves the timetable for review as set out in Appendix 2.</p> <p>4. Approves that should any Community Governance Reviews be triggered by petition during the Boroughwide review, Cabinet agrees to delegate authority to the Chief Executive to amend the Terms of Reference as appropriate.</p> <p>5. Note that a draft recommendations report will be brought for approval following the first round of consultation.</p> <p>6. Note that a final recommendations report will be brought for approval</p>				

Report Title	Portfolio	Directorate	Contact Officer	Decision / Recommendations agreed	Alternative Options Considered	Conflict of Interest Recorded	Dispensations Granted	Action Date
				following the second round of consultation. Cabinet will be asked to approve the final recommendations and recommend the report to Council.				
Street Safe Team Update	Finance and Community Safety	Regeneration and Environment	Andrew Bramidge, Executive Director of Regeneration and Environment	That Cabinet note the progress to date.	Cabinet Report - Street Safe Progress Update April 2026.pdf	N/A	N/A	23/04/26
New Application for Business Rates Discretionary Relief for The Rotherham Hospice Trust	Finance and Community Safety	Corporate Services	Judith Badger, Executive Director of Corporate Services	1. That Cabinet approve the application for Discretionary Business Rates Relief for The Rotherham Hospice Trust in accordance with the details set out in Section 6 to this report for the 2025/26 and 2026/27 financial year.	Report - New Applications for Business Rates Relief - The Rotherham Hospice Trust	N/A	N/A	23/04/26
Council Plan	Leader	Policy,	Chris	That Cabinet:	Report -	N/A	N/A	23/04/26

Report Title	Portfolio	Directorate	Contact Officer	Decision / Recommendations agreed	Alternative Options Considered	Conflict of Interest Recorded	Dispensations Granted	Action Date
Update – Year Ahead Delivery Plan 2026/27		Strategy and Engagement	Paddock, Interim Director of Policy, Strategy and Engagement	<p>1. Agree the new Year Ahead Delivery Plan for 2026-27.</p> <p>2. Note that future progress reports will be presented to Cabinet in January and July 2027.</p>	Council Plan Update - Year Ahead Delivery Plan 2026/27			
Crisis and Resilience Fund	Leader	Policy, Strategy and Engagement	Chris Paddock, Interim Director of Policy, Strategy and Engagement	<p>That Cabinet:</p> <p>1. Agree provisional allocations of the CRF for the following areas of activity in 2026/27:</p> <p>Crisis Support</p> <p>a. £1m for an application-based crisis support scheme</p> <p>b. £1,402,600 to support families with children during the summer holidays</p> <p>c. £407,584 for Discretionary Housing</p>	Report - Crisis and Resilience Fund	N/A	N/A	23/04/26

Report Title	Portfolio	Directorate	Contact Officer	Decision / Recommendations agreed	Alternative Options Considered	Conflict of Interest Recorded	Dispensations Granted	Action Date
				<p>Payments</p> <p>d. £1.7m towards the costs of the Council's Local Council Tax Support Top Up scheme</p> <p>e. £60,000 to local voluntary and community sector (VCS) organisations to support vulnerable households over Christmas / New Year through a supplement to the crisis support service level agreement</p> <p>f. £20,000 to provide parcels of household items to be distributed via VCS organisations</p> <p>g. £18,000 additional funding for FareShare/food providers to meet increased food costs</p>				

Report Title	Portfolio	Directorate	Contact Officer	Decision / Recommendations agreed	Alternative Options Considered	Conflict of Interest Recorded	Dispensations Granted	Action Date
				<p>Resilience Services h. £370,000 for Open Arms Rotherham i. £90,000 to provide additional financial support to care leavers</p> <p>Community Coordination j. £50,000 to coordinate CRF elements, raise awareness, and improve data capture and referral systems</p> <p>Administrative Costs k. £81,699 for DHP administrative costs</p> <p>2. Delegate authority to the Director of Policy, Strategy and Engagement, in consultation with the Leader of the Council, to determine revised and final</p>				

Report Title	Portfolio	Directorate	Contact Officer	Decision / Recommendations agreed	Alternative Options Considered	Conflict of Interest Recorded	Dispensations Granted	Action Date
				<p>allocations for the CRF. This will include provision for other eligible actions in 2026/27 to ensure best use of the funding.</p> <p>3. Delegate authority to the Director of Policy, Strategy and Engagement, in consultation with the Leader of the Council, to approve amendments to existing service level agreements and approve new agreements where required, in relation to the allocations above.</p> <p>4. Agree to receive a further report in December 2026 setting out specific proposals for future years of the fund.</p>				
Playing Pitch	Street Scene	Regeneration	Andrew	That Cabinet:	Report -	N/A	N/A	23/04/26

Report Title	Portfolio	Directorate	Contact Officer	Decision / Recommendations agreed	Alternative Options Considered	Conflict of Interest Recorded	Dispensations Granted	Action Date
Strategy	and Green Spaces	and Environment	Bramidge, Executive Director of Regeneration and Environment	<p>1. Note the headline findings of the Playing Pitch Strategy 2026 – 2029 Part 1.</p> <p>2. Approve and formally adopt the Part 1 Strategy as the evidence base for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Local Plan review to 2040 b. Planning decisions c. Developer contributions (via Sport England PPS calculator) d. Investment planning with National Governing Bodies <p>3. Agree to receive a further report on the Playing Pitch Strategy Part 2 which will set out the response to the recommendations contained in Part 1,</p>	Playing Pitch Strategy			

Report Title	Portfolio	Directorate	Contact Officer	Decision / Recommendations agreed	Alternative Options Considered	Conflict of Interest Recorded	Dispensations Granted	Action Date
				<p>including Rotherham Council's vision and implementation plan.</p> <p>4. Agree that the PPS is monitored annually and reviewed every 3 years, or sooner if significant changes occur.</p> <p>5. Delegate implementation oversight to the Service Director for Culture, Sport and Tourism, supported by the Sport & Physical Activity Manager, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Street Scene and Green Spaces.</p>				
Street Cleansing and Fly Tipping Improvements	Street Scene and Green Spaces	Regeneration and Environment	Andrew Bramidge, Executive Director of Regeneration and	<p>That Cabinet note:</p> <p>1. The progress delivered by the RVGC team since mobilisation.</p>	Report - Street Cleansing and Fly Tipping Improvements	N/A	N/A	23/04/26

Report Title	Portfolio	Directorate	Contact Officer	Decision / Recommendations agreed	Alternative Options Considered	Conflict of Interest Recorded	Dispensations Granted	Action Date
			Environment	2. The planned April–October gateway cleansing and maintenance programme and the improved data capture now in place to inform future scheduling.				
Climate Emergency Annual Report 2026	Transport, Jobs and the Local Economy	Regeneration and Environment	Andrew Bramidge, Executive Director of Regeneration and Environment	<p>That Cabinet:</p> <p>1. Notes the key achievements and progress made as detailed in Appendix 1 and section 2 of this report.</p> <p>2. Approves the 2026/27 Climate Change Action Plan proposed in Appendix 2.</p> <p>3. Delegates the specification, procurement, contract award and subsequent delivery of (i) the Corporate Property</p>	Report - Climate Emergency Annual Report	N/A	N/A	23/04/26

Report Title	Portfolio	Directorate	Contact Officer	Decision / Recommendations agreed	Alternative Options Considered	Conflict of Interest Recorded	Dispensations Granted	Action Date
				<p>Decarbonisation Programme, Appendix 3a, (ii) the EV Infrastructure Programme, Appendix 3b and (iii) works referenced under the Energy section of the Climate Change Action Plan 2026 2027, Appendix 2, as well as any changes to these programmes and works, to the Service Director of Property and Facilities Services in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Transport, Jobs and the Local Economy.</p> <p>4. Delegates allocation of the Council's Capital Decarbonisation Budget and EV Infrastructure Capital Budget and the acceptance of any available funding streams such as</p>				

Report Title	Portfolio	Directorate	Contact Officer	Decision / Recommendations agreed	Alternative Options Considered	Conflict of Interest Recorded	Dispensations Granted	Action Date
				<p>from the South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority (SYMCA), Great British Energy or other Government schemes for delivery as per Appendices 3a and 3b to the Service Director of Property and Facilities Services in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Transport, Jobs and the Local Economy.</p> <p>5. Approves an amendment to the £1m renewable energy pilot project approved by Cabinet on 15 February 2021, to deliver instead an invest-to-save renewable energy scheme comprising rooftop or car park canopy solar PV, as detailed in Appendix 4 and section 2.20 below; and</p>				

Report Title	Portfolio	Directorate	Contact Officer	Decision / Recommendations agreed	Alternative Options Considered	Conflict of Interest Recorded	Dispensations Granted	Action Date
				also delegates authority for site selection, procurement and delivery of the amended scheme to the Service Director of Property and Facilities Services, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Transport, Jobs and the Local Economy.				
Don Valley Corridor	Transport, Jobs and the Local Economy	Regeneration and Environment	Andrew Bramidge, Executive Director of Regeneration and Environment	That Cabinet: 1. Endorse the establishment of a Don Valley Corridor programme and partnership with SYMCA and SCC. 2. Endorse the establishment of a Mayoral Development Zone for the Don Valley Corridor with delegation to the Executive Director of Regeneration & Environment, in consultation with the S151	Report - Don Valley Corridor	N/A	N/A	23/04/26

Report Title	Portfolio	Directorate	Contact Officer	Decision / Recommendations agreed	Alternative Options Considered	Conflict of Interest Recorded	Dispensations Granted	Action Date
				<p>Officer, the Monitoring Officer and the Cabinet Member for Transport, Jobs and the Local Economy to agree the governance principles and implement the preferred model.</p> <p>3. Agree to: allocate £400,000 of Gainshare revenue to the resourcing of the programme and project feasibility for its first 3 years, this being subject to SYMCA's formal approval; and delegate to the Executive Director of Regeneration & Environment, in consultation with S151 Officer and Cabinet Member for Transport, Jobs and the Local Economy, the allocation of this £400,000 to specific</p>				

Report Title	Portfolio	Directorate	Contact Officer	Decision / Recommendations agreed	Alternative Options Considered	Conflict of Interest Recorded	Dispensations Granted	Action Date
				activities.				