

FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS
1 June 2026 – 31 August 2026

This is formal notice under the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 of Key Decisions due to be taken by the Authority and of those parts of the Cabinet meeting identified in this Forward Plan will be held in private because the agenda and reports for the meeting will contain confidential or exempt information as defined in the Local Government Act 1972.

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What is the Forward Plan?

The Forward Plan contains all the key decisions the Council expects to take over the next three months. It will be refreshed monthly and will give at least 28 days’ notice of any Key Decisions and, if applicable, the Cabinet’s intention to discuss an item in private. This gives you the opportunity to submit relevant documents to the decision maker concerning any individual Key Decisions and draws to your attention any relevant constitution process.

What is a Key Decision?

A Key Decision is one which is likely to:-

- relate to the capital or revenue budget framework that is reserved to the Council, or
- result in income, expenditure or savings of £400,000 or greater, or
- have a significant effect on two or more wards

A Key Decision can be made by the Cabinet. The Forward Plan also includes some matters which are not Key Decisions under the heading “Decisions which are not Key Decisions”.

What does the Forward Plan tell me?

The plan gives information about:

- what key decisions are to be made in the next three months.
- the matter in respect of which the decision is to be made.
- who will make the key decisions.
- when those key decisions are likely to be made.
- what documents will be considered.
- who you can contact for further information.

Who takes Key Decisions?

Under the Authority’s Constitution, Key Decisions are taken by the Cabinet. Key Decisions are taken at public meetings of the Cabinet. The Cabinet meets once a month on a Monday at 10.00am at Rotherham Town Hall. Meeting dates for 2025/26 are:

8 June 2026	14 September 2026	16 November 2026	18 January 2027	15 March 2027	10 May 2027
6 July 2026	12 October 2026	14 December 2026	8 February 2027	12 April 2027	

Further information and Representations about items proposed to be heard in Private

Names of contact officers are included in the Plan.

If you wish to make representations that a decision which is proposed to be heard in private should instead be dealt with in public, you should contact Democratic Services by no later than five clear working days before the meeting. At the end of this document are extracts from the Local Government Act 1972 setting out the descriptions of information which may be classed as “exempt”, and the definition of confidential information.

The members of the Cabinet and their areas of responsibility are: -

Councillor Chris Read	Leader of the Council
Councillor Victoria Cusworth	Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Children and Young People
Councillor Joanna Baker-Rogers	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Health
Councillor Saghir Alam OBE	Cabinet Member for Finance and Community Safety
Councillor Linda Beresford	Cabinet Member for Housing
Councillor Lynda Marshal	Cabinet Member for Waste Servcies, Leisure and Green Spaces
Councillor John Williams	Cabinet Member for Transport, Jobs and Local Economy
Councillor Sarah Allen	Cabinet Member for Communités

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KEY DECISIONS TO BE TAKEN ON 8 JUNE 2026								
CORPORATE SERVICES								
Disposal of land at Worrygoose Lane, Whiston	October 2025	To approve the disposal of land at Worrygoose Lane, Whiston.	Cabinet Member for Finance and Community Safety	Relevant Members, Officers and Stakeholders.	Report and appendices	Sitwell	Part exempt Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)	Judith Badger Tel: 01709 822046 judith.badger@rotherham.gov.uk
Finance Update June 2026	April 2026	To note the anticipated outturn position 2025/26 prior to the more detailed outturn report being presented to Cabinet in July.	Cabinet Member for Finance and Community Safety	Relevant Members, Officers and Stakeholders.	Report and appendices	All Wards	Open	Judith Badger Tel: 01709 822046 judith.badger@rotherham.gov.uk
Health and Safety Policy and Statement of Intent	April 2026	To approve the revised Policy and Statement of Intent.	Cabinet Member for Finance and Community Safety	Relevant Members, Officers and Stakeholders.	Report and appendices	All Wards	Open	Judith Badger Tel: 01709 822046 judith.badger@rotherham.gov.uk
REGENERATION AND ENVIRONMENT								
Local Nature Recovery Strategy	April 2026	To consider and approve a formal response on behalf of the Council to SYMCA's Local Nature Recovery Strategy public consultation.	Cabinet Member for Waste Services, Leisure and Green Spaces	Relevant Members, Officers and Stakeholders.	Report and appendices	All Wards	Open	Andrew Bramidge Andrew.Bramidge@rotherham.gov.uk
Renters Rights Act Policy Consultation	April 2026	To approve the commencement of consultation on a private sector housing enforcement policy and associated fees and charges.	Cabinet Member for Housing	Relevant Members, Officers and Stakeholders.	Report and appendices	All Wards	Open	Andrew Bramidge Andrew.Bramidge@rotherham.gov.uk

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NON-KEY DECISIONS TO BE TAKEN ON 8 JUNE 2026								
ADULT CARE, HOUSING AND PUBLIC HEALTH								
Outcome of the Care Quality Commission assessment of Rotherham Adult Social Care	April 2026	To note the outcome of the Care Quality Commission inspection of Adult Social Care and approval of the associated development plan.	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Health	Relevant Members, Officers and Stakeholders.	Report and appendices	All Wards	Open	Ian Spicer Tel: 01709 255992 ian.spicer@rotherham.gov.uk
Response to the Health Select Commissions Recommendations - Access to Contraception Scrutiny Review	April 2026	To formally respond to the recommendations of the Health Select Commission Scrutiny Review - Access to Contraception.	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Health	Relevant Members, Officers and Stakeholders.	Report and appendices	All Wards	Open	Ian Spicer Tel: 01709 255992 ian.spicer@rotherham.gov.uk
CORPORATE SERVICES								
New Applications for Business Rates Relief - Rotherham Open Arts Renaissance	April 2026	To consider the recommendation for a new application for Business Rates discretionary relief.	Cabinet Member for Finance and Community Safety	Relevant Members, Officers and Stakeholders.	Report and appendices	All Wards	Open	Judith Badger Tel: 01709 822046 judith.badger@rotherham.gov.uk
POLICY, STRATEGY AND ENGAGEMENT								
Appointments to Outside Bodies	April 2026	To approve the Council's appointments for the municipal year 2026-27.	Leader of the Council	Relevant Members, Officers and Stakeholders.	Report and appendices	All Wards	Open	Chris Paddock chris.paddock@rotherham.gov.uk

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KEY DECISIONS TO BE TAKEN ON 6 JULY 2026								
ADULT CARE, HOUSING AND PUBLIC HEALTH								
Adult Social Care Strategy 2027-2032	January 2026	To seek approval to consult on creating a new Adult Social Care Strategy 2027-2032. To update on outcomes from the Adult Social Care Strategy 2024-2027.	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Health	Relevant Members, Officers and Stakeholders.	Report and appendices	All Wards	Open	Ian Spicer Tel: 01709 255992 ian.spicer@rotherham.gov.uk
Council Homes Housing Delivery Programme Report July 2026 Update	May 2026	To note progress and approve the updated Housing Delivery Programme.	Cabinet Member for Housing	Relevant Members, Officers and Stakeholders.	Report and appendices	All Wards	Part exempt Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)	Ian Spicer Tel: 01709 255992 ian.spicer@rotherham.gov.uk
CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SERVICES								
Children and Young People's Service Schools Capital Programme Update	June 2026	To note the planned expenditure to deliver the schools capital programme in 2026/27.	Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Children and Young People	Relevant Members, Officers and Stakeholders.	Report and appendices	All Wards	Open	Nicola Curley nicola.curley@rotherham.gov.uk
Education Psychology Service - New model of delivery	May 2026	To approve the new inclusive model of Educational Psychology support for children and young people in schools.	Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Children and Young People	Relevant members, officers and stakeholders.	Report and Appendices	All Wards	Open	Nicola Curley nicola.curley@rotherham.gov.uk
CORPORATE SERVICES								
Financial Outturn 2025/26	May 2026	To approve the unaudited revenue and capital outturn for 2025/26 and note the impact on reserves.	Cabinet Member for Finance and Community Safety	Relevant Members, Officers and Stakeholders.	Report and appendices	All Wards	Open	Judith Badger Tel: 01709 822046 judith.badger@rotherham.gov.uk

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Treasury Management Outturn 2025/26	May 2026	To note treasury management activity during 2025/26 reviewed against the approved strategy, including the outturn position for the prudential indicators.	Cabinet Member for Finance and Community Safety	Relevant Members, Officers and Stakeholders.	Report and appendices	All Wards	Open	Judith Badger Tel: 01709 822046 judith.badger@rotherham.gov.uk
May 2026/27 Financial Monitoring Report	May 2026	To note the current revenue and capital monitoring position and agree any required actions.	Cabinet Member for Finance and Community Safety	Relevant Members, Officers and Stakeholders.	Report and appendices	All Wards	Open	Judith Badger Tel: 01709 822046 judith.badger@rotherham.gov.uk
Ethical Procurement Policy	May 2026	To agree the updated Ethical Procurement Policy.	Cabinet Member for Finance and Community Safety	Relevant Members, Officers and Stakeholders.	Report and appendices	All Wards	Open	Judith Badger Tel: 01709 822046 judith.badger@rotherham.gov.uk
Property Transactions	February 2026	To consider recommendations for property transaction, including disposals, acquisitions, leases and licences.	Cabinet Member for Finance and Community Safety	Relevant Members, Officers and Stakeholders.	Report and appendices	All Wards	Open	Judith Badger Tel: 01709 822046 judith.badger@rotherham.gov.uk
POLICY, STRATEGY AND ENGAGEMENT								
Neighbourhood Leadership Strategy	May 2026	To approve the Council's new Neighbourhood Leadership Strategy.	Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Children and Young People	Relevant Members, Officers and Stakeholders.	Report and appendices	All Wards	Open	Chris Paddock chris.paddock@rotherham.gov.uk
REGENERATION AND ENVIRONMENT								
Health Hub Phase 2	May 2026	To approve the implementation of the Health Hub phase 2 project in line with the budget and costs proposed and proceed to procurement and implementation.	Cabinet Member for Transport, Jobs and the Local Economy	Relevant Members, Officers and Stakeholders.	Report and appendices	Boston Castle	Part exempt Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)	Andrew Bramidge Andrew.Bramidge@rotherham.gov.uk
Primate Licensing	May 2026	To set fees in accordance with the Animal Welfare (Primate Licences) Regulations 2024.	Cabinet Member for Waste Services, Leisure and Green Spaces	Relevant Members, Officers and Stakeholders.	Report and appendices	All Wards	Open	Andrew Bramidge Andrew.Bramidge@rotherham.gov.uk

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Town Centre Strategic Sites	April 2026	To approve the Strategic Regeneration Plans for 5 key sites in Rotherham Town Centre and progression to the second stage of development. To approve the funding allocation to enable the progression of this second stage.	Cabinet Member for Transport, Jobs and the Local Economy	Relevant Members, Officers and Stakeholders.	Report and appendices	Boston Castle	Part exempt Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)	Andrew Bramidge Andrew.Bramidge@rotherham.gov.uk
Draft Street Trading Policy	April 2026	To approve the commencement of public consultation on a draft RMBC Street Trading Policy.	Cabinet Member for Transport, Jobs and the Local Economy	Relevant Members, Officers and Stakeholders.	Report and appendices	All Wards	Open	Andrew Bramidge Andrew.Bramidge@rotherham.gov.uk
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ADULT CARE, HOUSING AND PUBLIC HEALTH								
Tenant Satisfaction Measures and Regulatory Compliance - six monthly update	May 2026	To receive an update on Tenant Satisfaction Measures and Housing Regulatory Compliance Performance for 2025/26.	Cabinet Member for Housing	Relevant Members, Officers and Stakeholders.	Report and appendices	All Wards	Open	Ian Spicer Tel: 01709 255992 ian.spicer@rotherham.gov.uk
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POLICY, STRATEGY AND ENGAGEMENT								
Council Plan and Year Ahead Delivery Plan Progress Update	May 2026	To receive the Year-end report on Council Plan and Year Ahead Delivery Plan Progress for 2025-2026.	Leader of the Council	Relevant Members, Officers and Stakeholders.	Report and appendices	All Wards	Open	Chris Paddock chris.paddock@rotherham.gov.uk

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Health Select Commission Scrutiny Review - Menopause	May 2026	To receive the report and consider the recommendations of the Health Select Commission Scrutiny Review – Menopause.	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Health	Relevant Members, Officers and Stakeholders.	Report and appendices	All Wards	Open	Chris Paddock chris.paddock@rotherham.gov.uk
NO MEETING IN AUGUST 2026								

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 SCHEDULE 12A
ACCESS TO INFORMATION: EXEMPT INFORMATION
PART 1
DESCRIPTIONS OF EXEMPT INFORMATION: ENGLAND

1. Information relating to any individual.
2. Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.
3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).
4. Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under, the authority.
5. Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.
6. Information which reveals that the authority proposes –
 - a. to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or
 - b. to make an order or direction under any enactment.
7. Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime.

PART 2
QUALIFICATIONS: ENGLAND

Paragraphs 1-8 repealed.

- 9 Information is not exempt information if it relates to proposed development for which the local planning authority may grant itself planning permission pursuant to regulation 3 of the Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992.
- 10 Information which –
 - a. falls within any of paragraphs 1 to 7 above; and
 - b. is not prevented from being exempt by virtue of paragraph 8 or 9 above, is exempt information if and so long, as in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972
SECTION 100A(3) – DEFINITION OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Confidential information means –

- a. information furnished to the council by a Government department upon terms (however expressed) which forbid the disclosure of the information to the public; and
- b. information the disclosure of which to the public is prohibited by or under any enactment or by the order of a court;

and, in either case, the reference to the obligation of confidence is to be construed accordingly.