

**SWALE BOROUGH COUNCIL
FORWARD PLAN AND NOTICE OF KEY DECISIONS**

July 2017 - October 2017

Notes:

A key decision is defined as 'an Executive decision which is likely to (a) result in the local authority incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the local authority's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or (b) to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the local authority.'

The key decision threshold, confirmed by Council, is set at £100,000 (this relates to (a) of the definition above).

Where the decision will be made by Cabinet, the Members of the Cabinet are:

Councillor Andrew Bowles - Leader

Councillor Gerry Lewin – Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Planning

Councillor Duncan Dewar-Whalley - Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance

Councillor Mike Cosgrove - Cabinet Member for Regeneration

Councillor David Simmons – Cabinet Member for Environment and Rural Affairs

Councillor Alan Horton – Cabinet Member for Safer Families and Communities

Councillor Ken Pugh – Cabinet Member for Housing and Wellbeing

Subject to any prohibition or restriction on their disclosure, copies or extracts of any documents listed below can be viewed at Swale House, East Street, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 3HT. Please contact Democratic Services to arrange a time to view the documents or to request copies by post by e-mailing democraticservices@swale.gov.uk or by telephone on: 01795 417330. Fees may be charged in accordance with the Council's Fees and Charges policy.

Other documents relevant to the decision item may be submitted to the decision maker; please contact Democratic Services (contact details above) to request details of these documents as they become available.

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	<p>Resident Parking Scheme Policy</p> <p>The report outlines the current process applied to resident parking permit applications and outlines proposals to strengthen policy to maintain good levels of parking availability within the residential parking zones.</p>	<p>Cabinet 12 July 2017</p>	<p>Non-Key This is not a key decision because it is not likely to result in the local authority incurring expenditure or savings in excess of £100,000 or to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the local authority.</p>	<p>Open</p>		<p>Cabinet Member for Safer Families and Communities</p> <p>Jeff Kitson</p>

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	<p>Discretionary Business Rate Relief</p> <p>The Government has set-up a new discretionary Business Rate relief for businesses whose rateable value is less than £200k and whose rates have increased more than 12.5%. The Council must design a scheme to decide what businesses falling under this criteria will be given relief.</p>	<p>Cabinet 12 July 2017</p>	<p>Key It is likely to result in the Council incurring expenditure above £100,000 or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the local authority's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates. It is significant in terms of its effect on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the</p>	<p>Open</p>		<p>Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance Zoe Kent</p>

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	<p>Council Tax Support Scheme 2018/19</p> <p>The Council must put in place its Council Tax Support (CTS) scheme to give help to those residents on a low income. From December 2017, Universal Credit will change to Full Service in Swale meaning that couples and families will start to claim Universal Credit. The CTS scheme will need to be reviewed to take account of this. A consultation will need to be completed by September and the scheme must be approved by Members by 31 January 2018.</p>	Cabinet 12 July 2017	Non-Key This is not a key decision as it will be considered and decided by full Council.	Open		Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance Zoe Kent
	<p>Swale Open Spaces and Play Strategy 2017-2022</p> <p>This report updates</p>	Cabinet 6 September 2017	Key It is significant in terms of its effect on	Open		Cabinet Member for Environment and Rural Affairs

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	Members on the progress on the Open Spaces and Play Strategy following consultation in 2016. It summaries the key findings of the assessment report and how these have been turned into strategic outcomes. It asks permission to put the draft document out to public consultation prior to final adoption later this year.		communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the local authority.			Martyn Cassell
	Minutes of the Local Development Framework Panel held on 20 June 2017	Cabinet 12 July 2017	Non-Key This is not a key decision as the making and adoption of the LDF will ultimately be considered and decided by full Council.	Open		Cabinet Member for Planning Gill Harris
	Minutes of the Swale Joint Transportation Board meeting held on 26 June 2017	Cabinet 12 July 2017	Non-Key This is not a key decision because is it not likely to	Open		Cabinet Member for Regeneration

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	<p>Visitor Economy Strategy</p> <p>This sets-out priority actions for the tourism sector in Swale from 2017 to 2020.</p>	<p>Cabinet 12 July 2017</p>	<p>Key</p> <p>It is likely to result in the Council incurring expenditure above £100,000 or the making of</p>	<p>Open</p>		<p>Cabinet Member for Regeneration</p> <p>Lyn Newton</p>

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			savings which are, significant having regard to the local authority's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates.			
	<p>Financial Management Report - Financial Outturn Report 2016/17</p> <p>Cabinet is asked to consider this report which shows the revenue and capital outturn for 2016/17 and to approve rollovers into 2017/18.</p>	Cabinet 12 July 2017	Non-Key This is not a key decision as it is for information only.	Open		Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance Nick Vickers
	<p>Financial Management Report: April - June 2017</p> <p>This report shows the revenue and capital projected outturn for 2017/18 as at the end of period 3, covering the</p>	Cabinet 6 September 2017	Non-Key This is not a key decision as it is for information only.	Open		Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance Nick Vickers

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	Minutes of the Local Development Framework Panel held on 21 September 2017	Cabinet 4 October 2017	Non-Key This is not a key decision as the making and adoption of the LDF will ultimately be considered and decided by full Council.	Open		Cabinet Member for Planning Gill Harris
	Minutes of the Swale Joint Transportation Board meeting held on 11 September 2017	Cabinet 4 October 2017	Non-Key This is not a key decision because is it not likely to result in the local authority incurring expenditure or savings in excess of £100,000 or to be significant in terms of its effects on	Open		Cabinet Member for Regeneration

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	<p>Review of Fees and Charges</p> <p>The report invites Cabinet to consider the proposals for the level of fees and charges to be levied for the next financial year 2018/19 for submission to Council. Charges will take effect from 1 April 2018.</p>	Cabinet 8 November 2017	Non-Key This is not a key decision as it will be considered and decided by full Council.	Open		Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance Nick Vickers
	Minutes of the Local Development Framework Panel meeting held on 30 November 2017	Cabinet 6 December 2017	Non-Key This is not a key decision as the making and adoption of the LDF will ultimately be	Open		Cabinet Member for Planning Gill Harris

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	<p>Financial Management Report April to September 2017</p> <p>This report shows the revenue and capital projected outturn for 2017/18 as at the end of period 6, covering the period from April to September 2017.</p>	Cabinet 6 December 2017	Non-Key This is not a key decision as it is for information only.	Open		Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance Nick Vickers
	<p>Medium Term Financial Plan and 2018/19 Budget</p> <p>This report sets-out the Council's Medium Term Financial Plan and proposals for the 2018/19 Budget.</p>	Cabinet 6 December 2017	Non-Key This is not a key decision as it will be considered and decided by full Council.	Open		Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance Nick Vickers
	Minutes of the Swale Joint Transportation Board meeting held on 18 December 2017	Cabinet 10 January 2018	Non-Key This is not a key decision because is it	Open		Cabinet Member for Regeneration

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			not likely to result in the local authority incurring expenditure or savings in excess of £100,000 or to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the local authority.			
	<p>Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Investment Strategy 2018/19</p> <p>This report sets-out and seeks approval of the proposed Treasury</p>	<p>Cabinet 7 February 2018</p>	<p>Non-Key This is not a key decision as it will be considered and decided by full Council.</p>	<p>Open</p>		<p>Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance</p> <p>Nick Vickers</p>

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	Management Strategy and Investment Strategy for the Council in 2018/19. It will be proposed to Council at the meeting on 21 February 2018.					
	Medium Term Financial Plan and 2018/19 Budget This report sets-out the Council's Medium Term Financial Plan and proposals for the 2018/19 Budget.	Cabinet 7 February 2018	Non-Key This is not a key decision as it will be considered and decided by full Council.	Open		Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance Nick Vickers
	Financial Management Report: April - December 2017 This report shows the revenue and capital projected outturn for 2017/18 as at the end of period 9, covering the period from April to December 2017.	Cabinet 7 March 2018	Non-Key This is not a key decision because is it not likely to result in the local authority incurring expenditure or savings in excess of £100,000 or to be significant in terms of its effects on	Open		Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance Nick Vickers

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	Minutes of the Local Development Framework Panel held on 8 February 2018	Cabinet 7 March 2018	Non-Key This is not a key decision as the making and adoption of the LDF will ultimately be considered and decided by full Council.	Open		Cabinet Member for Planning Gill Harris