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EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN

JUNE* TO SEPTEMBER 2009

*NOTE: THE MEETING SCHEDULED FOR 8TH JUNE 2009 HAS BEEN CANCELLED – ALL BUSINESS SCHEDULED FOR THE MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED AT THE MEETING ON 16TH JUNE 2009.

SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

FORWARD PLAN

Slough Borough Council has a decision making process involving an Executive (Cabinet) and a Scrutiny Function.

As part of the process, the Council will publish a Forward Plan. The Forward Plan sets out the decisions which the Cabinet intends to take over the following 4 months. The Plan includes both Key and non Key decisions. Key decisions are those which are financially significant or have a significant impact on 2 or more Wards in the Town.

What will you find in the Forward Plan?

For each decision, the plan will give:

- The subject of the report.
- Who will make the decision.
- The date on which or the period in which the decision will be made.
- Who will be consulted before the decision is taken.
- How the proposed consultation will be undertaken.
- How to make representations on the report and the deadline for submission of those representations.
- A list of those documents considered in the preparation of the report.

What is a Key Decision?

An executive decision which is likely either:

- To result in the Council Incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the Council's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or
- To be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards within the borough.

Where can you find a copy of the Forward Plan?

The Plan will be updated and republished monthly. A copy can be obtained. from Reception at the Town Hall on weekdays between 9.00 a.m. and 4.45 p.m., from MyCouncil, Landmark Place, High Street, or from Democratic and Member Services, Room GN08, Town Hall, Bath Road, Slough, Tel: (01753) 875120, email: <u>claire.gray@slough.gov.uk</u>. Copies will be available in the Borough's libraries and a copy will be published on Slough Borough Council's Website.

How can you have your say on Forward Plan reports?

Each Report has a contact officer. If you want to comment or make representations, notify the contact officer before the deadline given.

What about the Papers considered when the decision is made?

Reports relied on to make key decisions will be available for viewing through the contact officer or Democratic and Member Services.

Can you attend the meeting at which the decision will be taken?

Where decisions are made by the Cabinet, the majority of these will be made in open meetings. Some decisions have to be taken in private, where they are exempt or confidential as detailed in the Local Government Act 1972. You will be able to attend the discussions on all other decisions.

When will the decision come into force?

Implementation of decisions will be delayed for 5 working days after Members are notified of the decisions to allow Members to refer the decisions to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, unless the decision is urgent, in which case it may be implemented immediately.

What about key decisions taken by officers?

Many of the Council's decisions are taken by officers under delegated authority. Key decisions will be listed with those to be taken by the Cabinet. Key decisions taken under delegated authority are reported monthly and you can see the list of these at the same locations as the Forward Plan.

Are there exceptions to the above arrangements?

There will be occasions when it will not be possible to include a decision/report in the Forward Plan. If a key decision is not in the Forward Plan but cannot be delayed until it can be published in the Forward Plan, it can still be taken if:

- The Deputy Borough Secretary has informed the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or relevant Scrutiny Panel in writing, of the proposed decision/action. (In the absence of the above, the Mayor and Deputy Mayor will be consulted);
- Copies of the Notice have been made available to the Public; and
- At least 5 working days have passed since public notice was given.
- If the decision is too urgent to comply with the above requirement, the agreement of the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee has been obtained that the decision cannot be reasonably deferred.

For further information, contact Democratic and Member Services as detailed above.

CABINET - Tuesday, 16th June, 2009

Item	Port- folio	Ward	Priority	Contact Officer	Consultation & Participation	Other Committee	Background Documents	New Item
Performance and Financial Reporting for 2009/10 To present report to Cabinet including information on: • Service Performance • Risks • Financial systems • BVPI and LAA targets • Compliance	F&S	All;	All	Andrew Blake-Herbert, Strategic Director of Resources, Roger Parkin, Director of Improvement & Development Tel: (01753) 875300, Tel: (01753) 875207		Overview and Scrutiny 04/06/2009	None.	
Officer Delegated Powers To agree the Scheme of Delegation to Officers insofar as it applies to executive functions.	F&S	All;	All	Catherine Meek, Deputy Borough Secretary Tel: (01753) 875011		Council 14/05/2009	None.	
Local Government Ombudsman Report - "Mrs Carter"	P&A	All;	Adding Years to Life and Life to Years; Prosperity for All;	Steven Quayle, Borough Secretary and Solicitor Tel: (01753) 875004			None.	
Extension to the Interim Accommodation Arrangements for Iqra Slough Islamic Primary School Due to delays with the start of the construction of the new school building it will not now be ready by 31 st August 2009. Alternative arrangements are now required.	E&C	All;	All	Tony Madden, School Organisation Advisor Tel: (01753) 875739	Full consultation process conducted to approve the Islamic School Project.		Cabinet report and minutes of meeting held on 20th March 2008	

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Item	Port- folio	Ward	Priority	Contact Officer	Consultation & Participation	Other Committee	Background Documents	New Item
Approval Process For Opening a New Community School on the Former Lea Site	E&C	Central;	Celebrating diversity, enabling inclusion, Adding years to life and life to years, Prosperity for all	Tony Madden, School Organisation Advisor, Clair Pyper, Strategic Director of Education and Children's Services Tel: (01753) 875739, Tel: (01753) 875704	15 th May – Slough Schools Education Forum (SSEF) 21 st May – Primary Heads	Capital bid approved through PPRG process	None.	V
Neighbourhood Enforcement Team, Pest Control Service Request to review charges for Pest Control Service for Business Premises pending new Pest Control Contract that is currently out to tender.	H&W	All;	A cleaner, greener place to live, work and play	Dympna Molloy, Head of Neighbourhood Enforcement Tel: 01753 875215	Council Members. Benchmarking exercise carried out Re: cost of services provided in public sector.		None.	V
Statement of Accounts and Outturn Provisions 2008/09This report provides Cabinet with the Authority's Statement of Accounts for 2008/09 for recommendation to Council for approval.	F&S	All;	All	Andrew Blake-Herbert, Strategic Director of Resources Tel: (01753) 875300			None.	
References from Overview and Scrutiny To present Recommendations to Cabinet by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Scrutiny Panels.	F&S	All;	All	Kevin Barrett, Democratic Services Manager Tel: (01753) 875014			None.	
Executive Forward Plan To Provide Cabinet with an update of the Forward Plan.	F&S	All;	All	Catherine Meek, Deputy Borough Secretary Tel: (01753) 875011			None.	

CABINET - Monday, July 6th, 2009

Item	Port- folio	Ward	Priority	Contact Officer	Consultation & Participation	Other Committee	Background Documents	New Item
Performance and Financial Reporting for 2009/10To present report to Cabinet including information on:Performance IncdicatorsGF positionGF balancesCapital expenditurePrudential borrowing, lending & InvestmentsSummary reports - 3 directoratesHR StatisticsEmployee / agencyHigh risks expenditure/ incomeVirements to dateRisk assessment - revenue & capital	F&S	All;	All	Andrew Blake-Herbert, Strategic Director of Resources, Roger Parkin, Director of Improvement & Development Tel: (01753) 875300, Tel: (01753) 875207		Overview and Scrutiny Committee 02/07/2009	None.	
References from Overview and Scrutiny To present Recommendations to Cabinet by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Scrutiny Panels.		All;	All	Kevin Barrett, Democratic Services Manager Tel: (01753) 875014			None.	
Executive Forward Plan To Provide Cabinet with an update on the Forward Plan	F&S	All;	All	Catherine Meek, Deputy Borough Secretary Tel: (01753) 875011			None.	

Cabinet - Tuesday, 22nd September, 2009

Item	Port- folio	Ward	Priority	Contact Officer	Consultation & Participation	Other Committee	Background Documents	New Item
Performance and Financial Reporting for 2009/10To present report to Cabinet including information on:• BVPIs and LAA targets• Balance scorecard• GF position• GF balances• Delivery against efficiency agenda• HRA• Summary reports - 3 directorates• Other budgets/& contingencies/reserves• High risks expenditure/ income• Virements to date• Grants• Trading accounts• Debt recovery• Update on financial systems	F&S	All;	All	Andrew Blake-Herbert, Strategic Director of Resources, Roger Parkin, Director of Improvement & Development Tel: (01753) 875300, Tel: (01753) 875207		Overview & Scrutiny Committee 03/09/2009	None.	V
References from Overview and Scrutiny To present Recommendations to Cabinet by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Scrutiny Panels.	F&S	All;	All	Kevin Barrett, Democratic Services Manager Tel: (01753) 875014			None.	\checkmark
Executive Forward Plan To provide Cabinet with an update of the forward Plan.	F&S	All;	All	Catherine Meek, Deputy Borough Secretary Tel: (01753) 875011			Slough Borough Councils Constitution	\checkmark