

NOTIFICATION OF DECISIONS

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SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

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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 Notification of Decisions which sets out the decisions which the Cabinet intends to take over the following 3 months. The Notice 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. This Notice supersedes all previous editions.

Whilst the majority of the Cabinet's business at the meetings listed in this document will be open to the public and media organisations to attend, there will inevitably be some business to be considered that contains, for example, confidential, commercially sensitive or personal information.

This is formal notice under The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 that part of the Cabinet meetings listed in this Notice will/may be held in private because the agenda and reports for the meeting will contain exempt information under Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 (as amended) and that the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing it.

This document provides a summary of the reason why a matter is likely to be considered in private / Part II. The full reasons are listed alongside the report on the Council's website.

If you have any queries, or wish to make any representations in relation to the meeting being held in private for the consideration of the Part II items, please email catherine.meek@slough.gov.uk (no later than 15 calendar days before the meeting date listed).

What will you find in the Notice?

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.
- Contact details of the officer preparing the report.
- A list of those documents considered in the preparation of the report (if not published elsewhere).
- The likelihood the report would contain confidential or exempt information.

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.

Who will make the Decision?

Decisions set out in this Notice will be taken by the Cabinet, unless otherwise specified. All decisions (unless otherwise stated) included in this Notice will be taken on the basis of a written report and will be published on the Council's website before the meeting.

The members of the Cabinet are as follows:

Leader of the Council - Regeneration & Strategy
 Councillor Swindlehurst

Deputy Leader – Governance & Customer Services
 Councillor Akram

Sustainable Transport & Environmental Services Councillor Anderson

Inclusive Growth & Skills Councillor Bains

Planning & Regulation
 Councillor Mann

Housing & Community Safety Councillor Nazir

Health & Wellbeing Councillor Pantelic

Children & Schools Councillor Carter

Where can you find a copy of the Notification of Decisions?

The Plan will be updated and republished monthly. A copy can be obtained from Democratic Services at Observatory House, 25 Windsor Road on weekdays between 9.00 a.m. and 4.45 p.m., from MyCouncil, Landmark Place, High Street, or Tel: (01753) 875120, email: catherine.meek@slough.gov.uk. 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 Cabinet 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 before the meeting on the Council's website or are available from Democratic 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 and Significant Decisions taken under delegated authority are reported monthly and published on the Council's website.

Are there exceptions to the above arrangements?

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

- The Head of Democratic Services 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.
- If the decision needs to be taken in the private part of a meeting (Part II) and Notice of this has not been published, the Head of Democratic Services will seek permission from the Chair of Overview & Scrutiny, and publish a Notice setting out how representations can be made in relation to the intention to consider the matter in Part II of the agenda. Urgent Notices are published on the Council's <u>website</u>.

Cabinet - 16th March 2020

Item	Port- folio	Ward	Priority	Contact Officer	Other Committee	Background Documents	New Item	Likely to be Part II
Performance & Projects Report, Quarter 3 2019/20 To receive a report on the progress against the Council's performance indicators, priorities and key projects for the period between October to December 2019.	G&C	All	All	Dean Tyler, Service Lead Strategy & Performance Tel: (01753) 875847	O&S, 16/4/20	None		
Cultural Strategy To approve Slough Borough Council's Cultural Strategy.	I&S	All	All	Ketan Gandhi, Service Lead Communities & Leisure Tel: (01753) 69099	-	None	1	
Our Futures Update To receive an update and take any necessary decisions on the Council's transformation programme, Our Futures, which was agreed by Cabinet in April 2019.	R&S	All	All	Joe Carter, Director of Transformation Tel: (01753) 875653	-	None	√	Yes, p3 LGA
Accommodation Update To consider a report updating Lead Members on the Council's accommodation plans and corporate buildings.	R&S	All	All	Stephen Gibson, Interim Director of Regeneration Tel: 01753 875852	-	None	√	Yes, p3 LGA

Equalities Update including Gender Pay Gap Report To receive the statutory equalities report for the Council and the annual report on the authority's Gender Pay Gap for 2019/20.	Bain s	All	All	Christine Ford, Equality and Diversity Manager Tel: 01753 875069	-	None		
Discretionary Housing Payments Policy To consider the Council's Discretionary Housing Payment Policy for the forthcoming year.	H&C	All	All	Neil Wilcox, Director of Finance and Resources (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01753 875358	-	None	√	
Local Welfare Provision Policy To approve the Local Welfare Provision scheme for 2020/21.	G&C	All	All	Neil Wilcox, Director of Finance and Resources (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01753 875358	-	None	V	
Business Rates Policies To consider a report seeking approval for the policies for Business Rates Discretionary Reliefs.	G&C	All	All	Neil Wilcox, Director of Finance and Resources (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01753 875358	-	None	V	
Reference from the Trustee Committee - Stabmonk Park Millennium Green Trust Transfer To seek approval of the transfer of the Stabmonk Park Chalvey Millennium Green from the Chalvey Millennium Green Trust to Slough Borough Council.	R&S	Chalvey	Housing, Improving mental health & wellbeing	Kassandra Polyzoides, Service Lead Regeneration Development Tel: (01753) 875852	Trustee Committee	None	√	

References from Overview & Scrutiny To consider any recommendations from the Overview & Scrutiny Committee and the Scrutiny Panels.	G&C	All	All	Janine Jenkinson, Senior Democratic Services Officer Tel: 01753 875018	-	None	
Notification of Forthcoming Decisions To endorse the published Notification of Decisions.	R&S	All	All	Catherine Meek, Head of Democratic Services Tel: 01753 875011	-	None	

Cabinet - 20th April 2020

Item	Port- folio	Ward	Priority	Contact Officer	Other Committee	Background Documents	New Item	Likely to be Part II
SUR Partnership Business Plan 2020/21 To approve the Slough Urban Renewal Partnership Business Plan for 2020/21.	R&S	All	All	Kassandra Polyzoides, Service Lead Regeneration Development Tel: (01753) 875852	-	None		Yes, p3 LGA
Contracts in Excess of £180,000 in 2020/21 To approve the commencement of tendering for contracts in excess of £180,000 in 2020/21 and to note any exemptions to competitive tendering.	G&C	All	All	Catherine Meek, Head of Democratic Services Tel: 01753 875011	-	None		
References from Overview & Scrutiny To consider any recommendations from the Overview & Scrutiny Committee and the Scrutiny Panels.	G&C	All	All	Janine Jenkinson, Senior Democratic Services Officer Tel: 01753 875018	-	None		

Notification of Forthcoming Decisions	R&S	All	All	Catherine Meek, Head of	-	None	
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