



SEFTON METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL FORWARD PLAN

FOR THE FOUR MONTH PERIOD 1 JANUARY 2024 - 30 APRIL 2024

This Forward Plan sets out the details of the key decisions which the Cabinet, individual Cabinet Members or Officers expect to take during the next four month period. The Plan is rolled forward every month and is available to the public at least 28 days before the beginning of each month.

A Key Decision is defined in the Council's Constitution as:

1. any Executive decision that is not in the Annual Revenue Budget and Capital Programme approved by the Council and which requires a gross budget expenditure, saving or virement of more than £100,000 or more than 2% of a Departmental budget, whichever is the greater;
2. any Executive decision where the outcome will have a significant impact on a significant number of people living or working in two or more Wards

Anyone wishing to make representations about any of the matters listed below may do so by contacting the relevant officer listed against each Key Decision, within the time period indicated.

Under the Access to Information Procedure Rules set out in the Council's Constitution, a Key Decision may not be taken, unless:

- it is published in the Forward Plan;
- 5 clear days have lapsed since the publication of the Forward Plan; and
- if the decision is to be taken at a meeting of the Cabinet, 5 clear days notice of the meeting has been given.

The law and the Council's Constitution provide for urgent key decisions to be made, even though they have not been included in the Forward Plan in accordance with Rule 26 (General Exception) and Rule 28 (Special Urgency) of the Access to Information Procedure Rules.

Copies of the following documents may be inspected at the Town Hall, Oriel Road, Bootle L20 7AE or accessed from the Council's website: www.sefton.gov.uk

- Council Constitution
- Forward Plan
- Reports on the Key Decisions to be taken
- Other documents relating to the proposed decision may be submitted to the decision making meeting and these too will be made available by the contact officer named in the Plan
- The minutes for each Key Decision, which will normally be published within 5 working days after having been made

Some reports to be considered by the Cabinet/Council may contain exempt information and will not be made available to the public. The specific reasons (Paragraph No(s)) why such reports are exempt are detailed in the Plan and the Paragraph No(s) and descriptions are set out below:-

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
8. Information falling within paragraph 3 above is not exempt information by virtue of that paragraph if it is required to be registered under—
 - (a) the Companies Act 1985;
 - (b) the Friendly Societies Act 1974;
 - (c) the Friendly Societies Act 1992;
 - (d) the Industrial and Provident Societies Acts 1965 to 1978;
 - (e) the Building Societies Act 1986; or
 - (f) the Charities Act 1993.
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.

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NOTE:

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Phil Porter
Chief Executive

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Details of Decision to be taken	Sefton New Directions To report the outcome of the Sefton New Directions review and to submit recommendations on future contract and service delivery arrangements			
Decision Maker	Cabinet			
Decision Expected	4 Jan 2024 Decision due date for Cabinet changed from 07/12/2023 to 04/01/2024. Reason: Work is ongoing on the preparation of the report			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	Yes	Community Impact	Yes
Exempt Report	Part exempt (Paragraph 3)			
Wards Affected	All Wards			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Adult Social Care			
Lead Director	Executive Director of Adult Social Care and Health			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	Legal and Finance Officers; Sefton New Directions			
Method(s) of Consultation	Internal meetings and emails; Meetings and emails with Sefton New Directions			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Sefton New Directions			
Contact Officer(s) details	Neil Watson neil.watson@sefton.gov.uk Tel: 0151 934 3744			

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Details of Decision to be taken	<p>Sefton Council - Extra Care Allocations Policy The Extra Care Allocations Policy aims to promote independence and well-being; facilitate a balanced, vibrant, and sustainable community for residents with care and support needs within the setting of extra care housing which will play a key role in preventing and avoiding admissions to residential care and hospitals and contribute to our preventative agenda. This policy will cover all Extra Care Housing within Sefton and details the eligibility, process, and system for applying for Extra Care Housing in Sefton.</p>			
Decision Maker	Cabinet			
Decision Expected	4 Jan 2024 Decision due date for Cabinet changed from 07/12/2023 to 04/01/2024. Reason: To enable final amendments to be made to the Sefton Extra Care Allocations Policy and to reflect such changes in the Cabinet report			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	No	Community Impact	Yes
Exempt Report	Open			
Wards Affected	All Wards			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Adult Social Care			
Lead Director	Executive Director of Adult Social Care and Health			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	Consultation was via the following methods: Dedicated Cabinet Member(s) briefing; One Council Brief; Intranet; Yammer; Dwayne's Blog; Internal meetings; E mails. External: Social Media – Twitter and Facebook; Sefton Council website; Your Sefton, Your Say website; Meetings with strategic partners; Sefton Partnership for Older Citizens meeting; Health watch meeting; Residents' meetings (Parkhaven and James Horrigan Court extra care schemes); E mails.			
Method(s) of Consultation	The public and key stakeholder consultation process was conducted from Friday 10th February 2023 for a period of two months to Tuesday 11th April 2023. The following consultation methods were used approved by			

	<p>the Public Engagement and Consultation Panel in November 2022: Dedicated Cabinet Member(s) briefing; One Council Brief; Intranet; Yammer; Dwayne’s Blog; Internal meetings; E mails External: Social Media – Twitter and Facebook; Sefton Council website; Your Sefton, Your Say website; Meetings with strategic partners; Sefton Partnership for Older Citizens meeting; Health watch meeting; Residents’ meetings (Parkhaven and James Horrigan Court extra care schemes); E mails; Public consultation online survey, using the “Your Sefton, Your Say” Platform; Attendance and presentation at various meetings; Distribution of the policy and questionnaire Documents for the consultation were produced in easy read, including the survey. Information relating to the consultation was distributed via the following channels: The survey consisted of five questions and comment sections for each and a generic comments section (also including twelve optional equality monitoring questions). The focus of the consultation and engagement was: (1) Extra Care Eligibility - a. Local Connection; b. Age Threshold; and c. Support needs; (2) Allocations Process; (3) Nominations Process</p>
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Sefton Council - Extra Care Allocations Policy
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Details of Decision to be taken	Procurement of Community Infection Prevention and Control Service Seek approval of the procurement of Community Infection Prevention and Control Service			
Decision Maker	Cabinet			
Decision Expected	1 Feb 2024			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	Yes	Community Impact	Yes
Exempt Report	Open			
Wards Affected	All Wards			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Adult Social Care			
Lead Director	Director of Public Health			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	N/A			
Method(s) of Consultation	N/A			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Procurement of Community Infection Prevention and Control Service			
Contact Officer(s) details	Alan McGee alan.mcgee@sefton.gov.uk			

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Details of Decision to be taken	Existing Extra Care Housing Contract Arrangements Direct Award of a contract for a five year period for Extra Care Housing Services via the Liverpool City Region flexible purchasing system			
Decision Maker	Cabinet			
Decision Expected	1 Feb 2024			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	Yes	Community Impact	Yes
Exempt Report	Open			
Wards Affected	All Wards			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Adult Social Care			
Lead Director	Executive Director of Adult Social Care and Health			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	Councillor Paul Cummins will have received a briefing through his Cabinet Member Briefing.			
Method(s) of Consultation	Internal consultation with Procurement, ASC SMT and within the Commissioning Team. Exec Director approval will be sought in advance of submission.			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Existing Extra Care Housing Contract Arrangements			
Contact Officer(s) details	Eleanor Moulton eleanor.moulton@sefton.gov.uk			

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Details of Decision to be taken	Southport Business Improvement District Southport Business Improvement District Business Plan for 2024-2029 and ballot approvals.			
Decision Maker	Cabinet			
Decision Expected	4 Jan 2024 Decision due date for Cabinet changed from 07/12/2023 to 04/01/2024. Reason: to enable consideration of the draft documentation from the BID and to await final ballot costs from Civica			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	No	Community Impact	Yes
Exempt Report	Open			
Wards Affected	Cambridge; Dukes			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Regeneration and Skills			
Lead Director	Executive Director - Place			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	Officers, Members and Businesses			
Method(s) of Consultation	The BID will undertake extensive consultation with all businesses within the BID area. The outcomes of this consultation will be included within the report.			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Southport Business Improvement District			
Contact Officer(s) details	Mark Catherall mark.catherall@sefton.gov.uk Tel: 0151 934 2315			

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Details of Decision to be taken	Procurement Strategy for Southport Eastern Access - Phase 1 This report seeks Cabinet Member approval to appoint Balfour Beatty under the Scape Framework to provide Early Contract Involvement in the development of the works information for the first Phase of the Southport Eastern Access scheme with a view to a further appointment to deliver the works.			
Decision Maker	Cabinet			
Decision Expected	4 Jan 2024			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	Yes	Community Impact	Yes
Exempt Report	Open			
Wards Affected	Dukes; Kew; Norwood			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Regeneration and Skills			
Lead Director	Assistant Director of Place (Highways and Public Protection)			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	Land owners, business, residents and Ward Members.			
Method(s) of Consultation	Consultation has been completed in accordance with the proposals shared with the Public Consultation and Engagement Panel.			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Procurement Strategy for Southport Eastern Access - Phase 1			
Contact Officer(s) details	Andrew Dunsmore andrew.dunsmore@sefton.gov.uk Tel: 0151 934 2766			

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Details of Decision to be taken	Procurement Strategy for Maritime Corridor Scheme - Phase 1 This report seeks Cabinet approval to appoint Balfour Beatty under the Scape Framework to provide Early Contract Involvement in the development of the works information for the first Phase of the Maritime Corridor scheme and to grant delegated authority for a further appointment to deliver the works.			
Decision Maker	Cabinet			
Decision Expected	4 Jan 2024			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	Yes	Community Impact	No
Exempt Report	Open			
Wards Affected	All Wards			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Regeneration and Skills			
Lead Director	Assistant Director of Place (Highways and Public Protection)			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	Cabinet Member, Ward Members, Land owners, National Highways, Liverpool City Region Combined Authority.			
Method(s) of Consultation	Consultation on the highway proposals formed part of the wider consultation on The Maritime Corridor. Initially, this was completed in 2021, Further detailed engagement has been completed in Autumn 2023. This has featured key stakeholders and the public,. This consultation was completed in accordance with the proposals approved by the Public Consultation and Engagement Panel.			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Procurement Strategy for Maritime Corridor Scheme - Phase 1			
Contact Officer(s) details	Andrew Dunsmore andrew.dunsmore@sefton.gov.uk Tel: 0151 934 2766			

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Details of Decision to be taken	Procurement of Fully Integrated Community Domestic Abuse Service The Assistant Director of People (Communities) be authorised to conduct a procurement exercise for a fully Integrated Domestic Abuse Service with a view to entering a contract for a minimum period of 3 years, plus 2 optional years (1+1)			
Decision Maker	Cabinet			
Decision Expected	4 Jan 2024			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	Yes	Community Impact	Yes
Exempt Report	Open			
Wards Affected	All Wards			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Regeneration and Skills			
Lead Director	Assistant Director of People (Communities)			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	Officers, partners and other stakeholders, service users.			
Method(s) of Consultation	Emails, surveys, meetings, focus groups with key stakeholders.			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Procurement of Fully Integrated Community Domestic Abuse Service			
Contact Officer(s) details	Steven Martlew steven.martlew@sefton.gov.uk			

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Details of Decision to be taken	Culture Strategy To seek approval of Sefton's Culture Strategy and to set up a steering group for the Borough Of Culture 2025			
Decision Maker	Cabinet Council			
Decision Expected	1 Feb 2024 29 Feb 2024 Decision due date for Cabinet changed from 04/01/2024 to 01/02/2024. Reason: work is ongoing on the preparation of the Strategy			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	No	Community Impact	Yes
Exempt Report	Open			
Wards Affected	All Wards			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Regeneration and Skills			
Lead Director	Executive Director Executive Director			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	Residents of the borough; Culture Strategy Steering Group			
Method(s) of Consultation	Surveys; Meetings; User groups			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Culture Strategy			
Contact Officer(s) details	Mark Snaylam Mark.snaylam@sefton.gov.uk			

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Details of Decision to be taken	Approval of Sandway Homes Phase 1A Business Plan Approval of the Phase 1A Business Plan outlining future housing development by Sandway Homes.			
Decision Maker	Cabinet			
Decision Expected	1 Feb 2024 Decision due date for Cabinet changed from 07/12/2023 to 01/02/2024. Reason: to enable firm costs, rather than indicative costs, to be obtained from a contractor			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	Yes	Community Impact	Yes
Exempt Report	Open			
Wards Affected	All Wards			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Regeneration and Skills			
Lead Director	Executive Director - Place			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	None			
Method(s) of Consultation	None			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Approval of Sandway Homes Phase 1A Business Plan			
Contact Officer(s) details	Lee Payne lee.payne@sefton.gov.uk Tel: 0151 934 4842			

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Details of Decision to be taken	Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy 2024-2029 The Homelessness Act 2002 requires every Local Authority to publish a Homelessness Strategy at least every 5 years. This Strategy seeks to tackle all forms of homelessness and end rough sleeping.			
Decision Maker	Cabinet			
Decision Expected	7 Mar 2024 Decision due date for Cabinet changed from 07/12/2023 to 07/03/2024. Reason: To comply with the consultation period			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	Yes	Community Impact	Yes
Exempt Report	Open			
Wards Affected	All Wards			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Regeneration and Skills			
Lead Director	Assistant Director of Place (Economic Growth and Housing)			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	Public Consultation and Engagement Panel; key agencies linked to homelessness			
Method(s) of Consultation	Presented to the Public Consultation and Engagement Panel in July 2023 with a large number of key agencies linked to homelessness engaged with as well as interviews with lived experience.			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Homelessness & Rough Sleeping Strategy 2024-2029			
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Details of Decision to be taken	Annual Health and Safety Report			
Decision Maker	Cabinet			
Decision Expected	4 Jan 2024 Decision due date for Cabinet changed from 07/12/2023 to 04/01/2024. Reason: Work is ongoing on finalising the annual report			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	Yes	Community Impact	Yes
Exempt Report	Open			
Wards Affected	All Wards			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Regulatory, Compliance and Corporate Services			
Lead Director	Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	Corporate Health and Safety Committee, SLB and Cabinet Member			
Method(s) of Consultation	Meetings and emails			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Annual Health and Safety Report			
Contact Officer(s) details	David Eden david.eden@sefton.gov.uk			

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Details of Decision to be taken	<p>Council Tax Reduction Scheme and Council Tax Base for 2024/25 and Review of Council Tax Premiums for Long-Term Empty Properties</p> <p>The report provides details of a review of the Council Tax Reduction Scheme for the current year, 2023/24, and proposals for the Scheme for 2024/25. It also provides information about the Council Tax Base for 2024/25. Finally it provides information regarding a review of Council Tax Premiums charged for long-term empty properties.</p>			
Decision Maker	<p>Cabinet</p> <p>Council</p>			
Decision Expected	<p>4 Jan 2024</p> <p>18 Jan 2024</p>			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	Yes	Community Impact	Yes
Exempt Report	Open			
Wards Affected	All Wards			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Regulatory, Compliance and Corporate Services			
Lead Director	<p>Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services</p> <p>Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services</p>			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	Public consultation, and consultation with precepting authorities.			
Method(s) of Consultation	<p>A report was presented to the Public Engagement and Consultation Panel on 8th September 2023 for approval to run public consultation exercises regarding:- a proposed change to the Council Tax Reduction Scheme for 2024/25, and also a proposed change to the Council Tax Premium for long-term empty properties with effect from 1st April 2024. Online surveys are in place, as well as a range of communication and information about how/where the public may express their views, e.g. via the Council's Contact</p>			

	Centre, One Stop Shops. Precepting authorities are consulted regarding the Council Tax Base and proposed Council Tax Reduction Scheme for 2024/25.
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Council Tax Reduction Scheme and Council Tax Base for 2024/25 and Review of Council Tax Premiums for Long-Term Empty Properties
Contact Officer(s) details	Diane Turner diane.turner22@sefton.gov.uk

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Details of Decision to be taken	Financial Management 2023/24 to 2026/27 - Revenue and Capital Budget Update 2023/24 – January Update Financial updates and Policy decisions relating to the Council's Budget and Medium-Term Financial Plan, including the monthly Revenue and Capital budget monitoring reports			
Decision Maker	Cabinet			
Decision Expected	4 Jan 2024			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	Yes	Community Impact	Yes
Exempt Report	Open			
Wards Affected	All Wards			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Regulatory, Compliance and Corporate Services			
Lead Director	Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	Cabinet, Chief Executive, Strategic Leadership Board, Trade Unions, Staff and relevant organisations as appropriate			
Method(s) of Consultation	Individual budget saving options / amendments to the budget will be subject to consultation – internal and external to the Council (as appropriate).			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Financial Management 2023/24 to 2026/27 - Revenue and Capital Budget Update 2023/24 – January Update			
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Details of Decision to be taken	Vine House Disposal Approval of the terms of disposal of the Council owned tower block Vine House, Kepler Street, Seaforth.			
Decision Maker	Cabinet			
Decision Expected	1 Feb 2024 Decision due date for Cabinet changed from 07/12/2023 to 01/02/2024. Reason: the process of negotiation with the proposed purchaser is taking longer than originally expected following completion of their survey of the building			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	Yes	Community Impact	No
Exempt Report	Part exempt (Paragraph 3)			
Wards Affected	Linacre			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Regulatory, Compliance and Corporate Services			
Lead Director	Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	Not applicable			
Method(s) of Consultation	Not applicable			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Vine House Disposal			
Contact Officer(s) details	Lee Payne lee.payne@sefton.gov.uk Tel: 0151 934 4842			

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Details of Decision to be taken	Financial Management 2023/24 to 2026/27 - Revenue and Capital Budget Update 2023/24 – February Update Financial updates and Policy decisions relating to the Council's Budget and Medium-Term Financial Plan, including the monthly Revenue and Capital budget monitoring reports			
Decision Maker	Cabinet			
Decision Expected	1 Feb 2024			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	Yes	Community Impact	Yes
Exempt Report	Open			
Wards Affected	All Wards			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Regulatory, Compliance and Corporate Services			
Lead Director	Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	Cabinet, Chief Executive, Strategic Leadership Board, Trade Unions, Staff and relevant organisations as appropriate			
Method(s) of Consultation	Individual budget saving options / amendments to the budget will be subject to consultation – internal and external to the Council (as appropriate).			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Financial Management 2023/24 to 2026/27 - Revenue and Capital Budget Update 2023/24 – February Update			
Contact Officer(s) details	Paul Reilly paul.reilly@sefton.gov.uk Tel: 0151 934 4106			

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Details of Decision to be taken	MOSL Market Innovation Fund (acceptance of funding) To accept any offer of funding from the MOSL Market innovation fund, which is 100% grant funding for water saving interventions. A decision on funding is due January 2024 with work to start in April 2024.			
Decision Maker	Cabinet Council			
Decision Expected	8 Feb 2024 29 Feb 2024			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	Yes	Community Impact	Yes
Exempt Report	Open			
Wards Affected	All Wards			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Regulatory, Compliance and Corporate Services			
Lead Director	Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	MOSL, United Utilities, Water Plus and key site managers.			
Method(s) of Consultation	Meetings have been held with MOSL, United Utilities, Water Plus and key site managers. Emails and documentation containing details of the bid have also been shared.			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	MOSL Market Innovation Fund (acceptance of funding)			
Contact Officer(s) details	Stephanie Jukes stephanie.jukes@sefton.gov.uk Tel: 0151 934 4552			

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Details of Decision to be taken	Prudential Indicators 2024/25 This reports sets the prudential indicators for the forthcoming and following years to enable the Council to effectively manage its Capital Financing activities and comply with the CIPFA Prudential Code for Capital Finance in Local Authorities.			
Decision Maker	Cabinet Council			
Decision Expected	8 Feb 2024 29 Feb 2024			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	Yes	Community Impact	No
Exempt Report	Open			
Wards Affected	All Wards			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Regulatory, Compliance and Corporate Services			
Lead Director	Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	N/A			
Method(s) of Consultation	None			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Prudential Indicators 2024/25			
Contact Officer(s) details	Graham Hussey graham.hussey@sefton.gov.uk Tel: 0151 934 4100			

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Details of Decision to be taken	Treasury Management Policy and Strategy 2024/25 This report sets out the following proposed policy and strategy documents: a) Treasury Management Policy b) Treasury Management Strategy c) Minimum Revenue Provision Policy Statement			
Decision Maker	Cabinet Council			
Decision Expected	8 Feb 2024 29 Feb 2024			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	Yes	Community Impact	No
Exempt Report	Open			
Wards Affected	All Wards			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Regulatory, Compliance and Corporate Services			
Lead Director	Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	N/A			
Method(s) of Consultation	None			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Treasury Management Policy and Strategy 2024/25			
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Details of Decision to be taken	<p>Robustness of the 2024/25 Budget Estimates and the Adequacy of Reserves – Local Government Act 2003 - Section 25</p> <p>To comply with statute, the Chief Financial Officer is required to report to Council prior to the approval of the budget and the setting of the Council Tax, to give assurance that the budget is robust and that there are adequate reserves and balances. The report is based on the proposals presented in the main budget report</p>			
Decision Maker	Cabinet Council			
Decision Expected	8 Feb 2024 29 Feb 2024			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	Yes	Community Impact	Yes
Exempt Report	Open			
Wards Affected	All Wards			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Regulatory, Compliance and Corporate Services			
Lead Director	Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	Cabinet, Chief Executive, Strategic Leadership Board, Trade Unions, Staff and relevant organisations as appropriate			
Method(s) of Consultation	Individual budget saving options / amendments to the budget will be subject to consultation – internal and external to the Council (as appropriate).			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Robustness of the 2024/25 Budget Estimates and the Adequacy of Reserves – Local Government Act 2003 - Section 25			
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Details of Decision to be taken	Revenue and Capital Budget Plan 2024/25 – 2026/27 and Council Tax 2024/25 The report sets out the financial strategy of the Council and the national and local financial context within which it is operating. The Council has a statutory requirement to remain financially sustainable and to balance its budget every year. The report sets out the Revenue Budget and Capital Programme for 2024/25 as well as the Council Tax level for 2024/25			
Decision Maker	Cabinet Council			
Decision Expected	8 Feb 2024 29 Feb 2024			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	Yes	Community Impact	Yes
Exempt Report	Open			
Wards Affected	All Wards			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Regulatory, Compliance and Corporate Services			
Lead Director	Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	Cabinet, Chief Executive, Strategic Leadership Board, Trade Unions, Staff and relevant organisations as appropriate			
Method(s) of Consultation	Individual budget saving options / amendments to the budget will be subject to consultation – internal and external to the Council (as appropriate).			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Revenue and Capital Budget Plan 2024/25 – 2026/27 and Council Tax 2024/25			
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Details of Decision to be taken	Capital Strategy 2024/25 The Capital Strategy sets out the long-term context in which capital expenditure, borrowing and investment decisions are made and considers the impact of these decisions on the priorities within the Council's Core Purpose and Framework for Change Programme and the promises made in the 2030 Vision for Sefton.			
Decision Maker	Cabinet Council			
Decision Expected	8 Feb 2024 29 Feb 2024			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	Yes	Community Impact	Yes
Exempt Report	Open			
Wards Affected	All Wards			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Regulatory, Compliance and Corporate Services			
Lead Director	Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	N/A			
Method(s) of Consultation	None			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Capital Strategy 2024/25			
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Details of Decision to be taken	ICT Managed Service Contract This report seeks approval to go to market to secure a service provider to deliver ICT Managed Services to Sefton from the 1st of October 2025.			
Decision Maker	Cabinet			
Decision Expected	7 Mar 2024			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	Yes	Community Impact	No
Exempt Report	Open			
Wards Affected	All Wards			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Regulatory, Compliance and Corporate Services			
Lead Director	Assistant Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services (Strategic Support)			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	Internal consultation has already taken place with members of ELT and further consultation is planned with the Portfolio holder for Corporate Resources and Customer Services, the Central Procurement team, Legal Services, Human Resources and Payroll and members of Overview and Scrutiny Committee. Consultation will also take place with trade unions as in when required			
Method(s) of Consultation	Consultation will be completed via the delivery of papers and attendance and meetings, the circulation of the report for comments and by seeking feedback from subject matter experts.			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	ICT Managed Service Contract			
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Details of Decision to be taken	Financial Management 2023/24 to 2026/27 - Revenue and Capital Budget Update 2023/24 – March Update Financial updates and Policy decisions relating to the Council's Budget and Medium-Term Financial Plan, including the monthly Revenue and Capital budget monitoring reports			
Decision Maker	Cabinet			
Decision Expected	7 Mar 2024			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	Yes	Community Impact	Yes
Exempt Report	Open			
Wards Affected	All Wards			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Regulatory, Compliance and Corporate Services			
Lead Director	Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	Cabinet, Chief Executive, Strategic Leadership Board, Trade Unions, Staff and relevant organisations as appropriate			
Method(s) of Consultation	Individual budget saving options / amendments to the budget will be subject to consultation – internal and external to the Council (as appropriate).			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Financial Management 2023/24 to 2026/27 - Revenue and Capital Budget Update 2023/24 – March Update			
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