



SEFTON METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL FORWARD PLAN

FOR THE FOUR MONTH PERIOD 1 AUGUST 2024 - 30 NOVEMBER 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.

Members of the public are welcome to attend meetings of the Cabinet and Council which are held at the Town Hall, Oriel Road, Bootle or the Town Hall, Lord Street, Southport. The dates and times of the meetings are published on www.sefton.gov.uk or you may contact the Democratic Services Section on telephone number 0151 934 2068.

NOTE:

For ease of identification, items listed within the document for the first time will appear shaded.

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Chief Executive

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Details of Decision to be taken	Advocacy Services Procurement To seek approval to commence a procurement exercise for advocacy services			
Decision Maker	Cabinet			
Decision Expected	5 Sep 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	Partners & Stakeholders - such as Health			
Method(s) of Consultation	Internal meetings and emails; Meetings with Partners and Stakeholders			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Advocacy Services Procurement			
Contact Officer(s) details	Rebecca Bond rebecca.bond@sefton.gov.uk			

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Details of Decision to be taken	Day Opportunities Contracts To seek approval to extend current Day Opportunities contracts.			
Decision Maker	Cabinet			
Decision Expected	5 Sep 2024			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	Yes	Community Impact	Yes
Exempt Report	Open			
Wards Affected	All Wards			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Adult Social Care			
Lead Director	Assistant Director - Integrated Life Course Commissioning, Executive Director of Adult Social Care and Health			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	External Providers & Partners			
Method(s) of Consultation	Meetings & Emails			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Day Opportunities Contracts			
Contact Officer(s) details	Rebecca Bond rebecca.bond@sefton.gov.uk			

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Details of Decision to be taken	Procurement of Temporary Accommodation To seek approval for the procurement of temporary accommodation for homeless households.			
Decision Maker	Cabinet			
Decision Expected	5 Sep 2024 Decision due date for Cabinet changed from 25/07/2024 to 05/09/2024. Reason: Work is continuing on the procurement plan			
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	Assistant Director for Corporate Services and Customer Services (Strategic Support).			
Method(s) of Consultation	Emails and Phone Calls.			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Procurement of Temporary Accommodation			
Contact Officer(s) details	Allan Glennon allan.glennon@sefton.gov.uk			

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Details of Decision to be taken	Southport Pier Update relating to Southport Pier, following progression of pre-construction work (and in advance of any award of the required capital funding, at the time of adding to the forward plan)			
Decision Maker	Cabinet Council			
Decision Expected	5 Sep 2024 12 Sep 2024 Decision due date for Cabinet changed from 25/07/2024 to 05/09/2024. Reason: ongoing project development and preconstruction work, and ongoing pursuit of funding			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	Yes	Community Impact	Yes
Exempt Report	Open			
Wards Affected	Cambridge			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Regeneration and Skills			
Lead Director	Executive Director - Place Executive Director - Place			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	potential external funding bodies; other key stakeholder groups such as Southport Pier Trust			
Method(s) of Consultation	external communications activity			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Southport Pier			
Contact Officer(s) details	Stephen Watson stephen.watson@sefton.gov.uk			

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Details of Decision to be taken	Eastbank (Enterprise Arcade) Business Case Business case for Eastbank project (formerly Enterprise Arcade)			
Decision Maker	Cabinet			
Decision Expected	5 Sep 2024			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	Yes	Community Impact	Yes
Exempt Report	Open			
Wards Affected	Cambridge			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Regeneration and Skills			
Lead Director	Executive Director - Place			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	Southport Town Deal Board			
Method(s) of Consultation	via Southport Town Deal consultation process held in 2019-2021			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Eastbank (Enterprise Arcade) business case			
Contact Officer(s) details	Stephen Watson stephen.watson@sefton.gov.uk			

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Details of Decision to be taken	Sefton Hospitality Operations Limited - Business Plan Updated three-year business plan for SHOL (2024-25 to 2026-27)			
Decision Maker	Cabinet			
Decision Expected	7 Nov 2024			
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	Appropriate service areas and Cabinet Members			
Method(s) of Consultation	Meetings and emails			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Sefton Hospitality Operations Limited - business plan			
Contact Officer(s) details	Stephen Watson stephen.watson@sefton.gov.uk			

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Details of Decision to be taken	Asset Disposal - Former Bootle High School site, Brown's Lane, Netherton To seek approval to the provisionally agreed Heads of Terms for the disposal of the Council's freehold interest in part of the former Bootle High School site, Brown's Lane, Netherton			
Decision Maker	Cabinet			
Decision Expected	5 Sep 2024 Decision due date for Cabinet changed from 25/07/2024 to 05/09/2024. Reason: negotiations on the disposal are still ongoing			
Key Decision Criteria	Financial	Yes	Community Impact	No
Exempt Report	Part exempt (Paragraph 3)			
Wards Affected	St. Oswald			
Scrutiny Committee Area	Regulatory, Compliance and Corporate Services			
Lead Director	Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	Cabinet Member and Senior Officers			
Method(s) of Consultation	Meetings and emails			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Asset Disposal - Former Bootle High School site, Brown's Lane, Netherton			
Contact Officer(s) details	Suzanne Rimmer suzanne.rimmer@sefton.gov.uk			

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Details of Decision to be taken	Corporate Cloud Telephony Contract Re-contracting of the Councils corporate cloud telephony system used by staff including the corporate contact centre.			
Decision Maker	Cabinet			
Decision Expected	5 Sep 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			
Persons/Organisations to be Consulted	Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services and ICT Client Team members			
Method(s) of Consultation	Discussion and consultation with Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services and ICT Client Team members.			
List of Background Documents to be Considered by Decision-maker	Corporate Cloud Telephony Contract			
Contact Officer(s) details	David Harris david.harris@sefton.gov.uk			

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Details of Decision to be taken	Treasury Management Position to September 2024 This report provides Members with a review of the Treasury Management activities undertaken to 30th September 2024.			
Decision Maker	Cabinet Council			
Decision Expected	7 Nov 2024 14 Nov 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 Position to September 2024			
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