

**Central Bedfordshire Council
Forward Plan of Key Decisions
1 February 2016 to 31 January 2017**

- 1) During the period from **1 February 2016 to 31 January 2017**, Central Bedfordshire Council plans to make key decisions on the issues set out below. “Key decisions” relate to those decisions of the Executive which are likely:
- to result in the incurring of expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant (namely £200,000 or above per annum) having regard to the budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or
 - to be significant in terms of their effects on communities living or working in an area comprising one or more wards in the area of Central Bedfordshire.

There are exceptions to these criteria which is set out in C2 1.3 in the Council’s Constitution. Specifically, expenditure which is identified in the approved Council revenue and capital budgets are not key decisions.

- 2) The Forward Plan is a general guide to the key decisions to be determined by the Executive and will be updated on a monthly basis. Key decisions will be taken by the Executive as a whole. The Members of the Executive are:

Councillor James Jamieson	Leader of the Council
Councillor Maurice Jones	Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Health
Councillor Mark Versallion	Executive Member for Education and Skills
Councillor Carole Hegley	Executive Member for Social Care and Housing and Lead Member for Children’s Services
Councillor Nigel Young	Executive Member for Regeneration
Councillor Brian Spurr	Executive Member for Community Services
Councillor Richard Wenham	Executive Member for Corporate Resources
Councillor Andrew Turner	Executive Member for Stronger Communities

- 3) Whilst the majority of the Executive’s business at the meetings listed in this Forward Plan 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 a formal notice under the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements)(Meetings and Access to Information)(England) Regulations 2012 that part of the Executive meeting listed in this Forward Plan will 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 Act 1972 (as amended) and that the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing it.

- 4) Those items identified for decision more than one month in advance may change in forthcoming Plans. Each new Plan supersedes the previous Plan. Any person who wishes to make representations to the Executive about the matter in respect of which the decision is to be made should do so to the officer whose telephone number and e-mail address are shown in the Forward Plan. Any correspondence should be sent to the contact officer at the relevant address as shown below. General questions about the Plan such as specific dates, should be addressed to the Committee Services Manager, Priory House, Monks Walk, Chicksands, Shefford SG17 5TQ.
- 5) The agendas for meetings of the Executive will be published as follows:

Meeting Date	Publication of Agenda
7 July 2015	25 June 2015
4 August 2015	23 July 2015
6 October 2015	24 September 2015
1 December 2015	19 November 2015
12 January 2016	22 December 2015
9 February 2016	28 January 2016
5 April 2016	24 March 2016

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Key Decisions

Date of Publication: 22 December 2015

Ref No.	Issue for Key Decision by the Executive	Intended Decision	Indicative Meeting Date	Consultees and Date/Method	Documents which may be considered	Contact officer (method of comment and closing date)
1.	Adoption of the Planning Obligations Strategy -	To adopt the Planning Obligations Strategy.	9 February 2016	All parties on the CBC database including the Development Industry, Town and Parish Councils between 22nd June - 3rd August.	Open Adoption of the Planning Obligations Strategy	Executive Member for Regeneration Comments by 09/01/2016 to Contact Officer: Connie Frost-Bryant, Acting Principal Planning Officer, Local Planning and Housing Team Email: connie.frost-bryant@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 4329
2.	The Future of Greenacre Older Persons Home: Outcome of Consultation and Recommendations -	To consider the future of the services delivered from Greenacre Older Persons home in light of the outcome of the public consultation processes.	9 February 2016	Residents of the home, relatives, users of the day centre, town councils, Age UK, other stakeholder groups. Public consultation.	Open The Future of Greenacre Older Persons Home: Outcome of Consultation and Recommendations	Executive Member for Social Care and Housing Comments by 09/01/2016 to Contact Officer: Tim Hoyle, MANOP Head of Service Email: tim.hoyle@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6065

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3.	Tender award for the redevelopment of Croft Green, Dunstable -	Appointment of the preferred contractor for the development of 23 sheltered housing apartments and communal facilities at Croft Green, Dunstable.	9 February 2016		Open Tender award for the redevelopment of Croft Green, Dunstable	Executive Member for Social Care and Housing Comments by 09/01/2016 to Contact Officer: Matt Berry, Interim Regeneration & Renewal Manager Email: matthew.berry@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 4493
4.	ESIF funding ERDF Innovation Bridge Programme -	Linked to the European Structural Investment Fund item taken to the October 2015 Executive - it was resolved that final approval to enter a bid agreement would be taken back to Executive. The ERDF Innovation Bridge full application is now under appraisal and the outcome is anticipated early 2016. The item is therefore being brought back to the committee for approval to enter into the bid agreement.	9 February 2016		Open	Executive Member for Regeneration Comments by 09/01/2016 to Contact Officer: Vicky Hlomuka, Business Support Officer, vicky.hlomuka@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk , Tel: 0300 300 5297, Jodie Yandall, Head of Investment and Employment jodie.yandall@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6288

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5.	Houghton Hall Park Renaissance and Renewal Project -	Approval to award contracts over £500k for a new visitor centre and park restoration/landscaping works as part of the Parks for People (BIG Lottery and Heritage Lottery Fund) funded Renaissance and Renewal project.	9 February 2016		Open Houghton Hall Park Renaissance and Renewal Project	Executive Member for Community Services Comments by 09/01/2016 to Contact Officer: Jill Dickinson, Head of Leisure and Libraries Email: jill.dickinson@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 4258
6.	Gas Appliance Servicing & Maintenance -	For delegated authority to award the contract to carry out all our statutory and responsive maintenance for all heating appliances to all of our Housing Portfolio.	9 February 2016	Legal Health & Safety Equalities	Open Gas Appliance Servicing & Maintenance	Executive Member for Social Care and Housing Comments by 09/01/2016 to Contact Officer: Alisdair Darbyshire, Team Leader Voids & Cyclical Asset Management Email: alisdair.darbyshire@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 5158

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7.	Community Safety Partnership Priorities 2016 - 2019 -	Community Safety Partnership priorities for 2016 - 2019 for Central Bedfordshire.	9 February 2016	All CBC Members have received a briefing note and asked for feedback. Priorities have been agreed by the five Responsible Authorities. Priorities have been to Overview and Scrutiny. Public engagement and consultation took place during 2015, the outcomes incorporated in the priorities.	Open Community Safety Partnership priorities 2016 - 2019	Executive Member for Community Services Comments by 09/01/2016 to Contact Officer: Joy Piper, CSP Manager Email: joy.piper@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 4649
8.	European Structural Investment Fund (ESIF) follow up item - Innovation Bridge -	Each funding bid proposed under ESIF is required to go back to the Executive for approval to enter into a funding agreement. Innovation Bridge is planned to commence on the 1st April and requires the approval to enter into the funding agreement with DCLG, the managing authority.	9 February 2016	Internal consultees	Open European Structural Investment Fund (ESIF) follow up item - Innovation Bridge	Executive Member for Regeneration Comments by 09/01/2016 to Contact Officer: Vicky Hlomuka, Business Support Officer, vicky.hlomuka@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk , Tel: 0300 300 5297, Jodie Yandall, Head of Investment and Employment jodie.yandall@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6288

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9.	Dunstable Leisure Centre and Library Redevelopment -	Redevelopment and renewal of leisure and library services in Dunstable.	9 February 2016	MP, customers, service users, ward members, joint committee	Open Elements of the wider project have not yet been subject to consultation with service users and potential users Dunstable Leisure Centre and Library redevelopment	Executive Member for Community Services Comments by 09/01/2016 to Contact Officer: Jill Dickinson, Head of Leisure and Libraries Email: jill.dickinson@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 4258
10.	Sale of land at Hitchin Road Fairfield -	Sale of land at Hitchin Road, Fairfield. To authorise the Director of Community Services (in consultation with the Executive Member for Corporate Resources) to dispose of the land on commercial terms.	9 February 2016		Fully exempt Report will contain commercial information.	Executive Member for Corporate Resources Comments by 09/01/2016 to Contact Officer: Andrew Gordon, Head of Estate Management Email: andrew.gordon@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 5882
11.	Housing Strategy -	To receive the draft Housing Strategy for consideration and recommendation to Council.	5 April 2016	Public consultation carried out over a 6 week period.	Open Housing Strategy	Executive Member for Regeneration Comments by 05/03/2016 to Contact Officer Azma Ahmad-Pearce, Principal Housing Officer Email: azma.ahmad-pearce@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 5589

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12.	Waste Transfer Station Operational Contract Award -	Following a procurement exercise to select a Contractor to operate the new Waste Transfer Station at Thorn Turn, this report seeks approval from the Executive to award the Contract.	5 April 2016		Open Waste Transfer Station Operational Contract Award	Executive Member for Community Services Comments by 05/03/2016 to Contact Officer: Alice Geary, Project Manager Community Services, alice.geary@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk , Tel: 0300 300 6970, Tracey Harris (Waste), Head of Waste Services Email: tracey.harris2@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 4646
13.	Central Bedfordshire's Policy for Housing Assistance 2016 - 2020 -	To adopt the Council's Policy for Housing Assistance 2016 – 2020 for providing households with financial assistance to improve the homes of the most vulnerable households.	5 April 2016		Open	Executive Member for Social Care and Housing Comments by 05/03/2016 to Contact Officer Nick Costin, Head of Housing Service Email: nick.costin@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 5219

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14.	Local Transport Plan 4 -	<p>The Local Transport Plan (LTP) provides the strategic framework for investment in transport across the authority. It is proposed to update and replace the current LTP with a new Plan which takes into account political, financial and economic changes since the current document was adopted in April 2011.</p> <p>This item relates to securing support and approval for the overarching vision and objectives of the LTP together with the structure of the Plan.</p>	5 April 2016	Relevant Executive Members have been briefed and views sought to determine the outline approach to the LTP. Subject to the approval of the vision, objectives and structure, officers will embark on a process of developing the individual strategies of the Plan with consultation determined through a dedicated Consultation Strategy.	Open Local Transport Plan 4	Executive Member for Regeneration Comments by 05/03/2016 to Contact Officer: Ben King, Transport Strategy Team Leader Email: ben.king@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 4824

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15.	Passenger Transport Strategy - Public Transport -	To seek approval to go out to consultation on the Passenger Transport Strategy - Public Transport.	5 April 2016		Open Passenger Transport Strategy - Public Transport	Executive Member for Community Services Comments by 05/03/2016 to Contact Officer: Susan Childerhouse, Head of Public Protection (North) Email: susan.childerhouse@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 4394
16.	New Lower School Places in Stotfold -	This report will provide Executive with the outcome of a consultation exercise for the commissioning of new lower school places to serve residential development within the Parish of Fairfield. The report will seek approval of the provider for the new site and will also seek approval to the capital expenditure for the new site and buildings.	5 April 2016		Open New Lower School Places in Stotfold	Executive Member for Education and Skills Comments by 05/03/2016 to Contact Officer: Rob Parsons, Head of School Organisation and Capital Planning Email: rob.parsons@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 5572

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17.	Environmental Enhancement Framework -	To approve the Environmental Enhancement Strategy which is the compendium of strategies, policies and technical guidance relating to the environment. It covers areas such as ecology, landscape, climate change, renewables, trees, SuDS and sustainable growth.	7 June 2016	Key external stakeholders consulted as well as wider public consultation on individual components.	Open Environmental Enhancement Strategy	Executive Member for Regeneration Comments by 07/05/2016 to Contact Officer: Stephen Mooring, Environmental Policy Manager Email: stephen.mooring@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6241
18.	Passenger Transport Strategy - Public Transport -	The report will seek approval for the adoption of the Passenger Transport Strategy – Public Transport.	2 August 2016	Members, Town and Parish Councils, residents, commercial operators, community transport operators, neighbouring local authorities, relevant CBC services Formal Consultation with all stakeholders.	Open Passenger Transport Strategy	Executive Member for Community Services Comments by 02/07/2016 to Contact Officer: Susan Childerhouse, Head of Public Protection (North) Email: susan.childerhouse@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 4394

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19.	Treasury Management Strategy -	To recommend to Council the approval of the Treasury Management strategy for the period beginning 1 April 2016.	9 February 2016		Open Treasury Management Strategy	Executive Member for Corporate Resources Comments by 09/01/2016 to Contact Officer: Ralph Gould, Head of Financial Control Email: ralph.gould@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6779
20.	Budget 2016/17 and Medium Term Financial Plan -	The report proposes the Budget for 2016/17 and updates the Medium Term Financial Plan approved by Council in February 2015.	9 February 2016		Open Budget 2016/17 and Medium Term Financial Plan	Executive Member for Corporate Resources Comments by 09/01/2016 to Contact Officer: Denis Galvin, Head of Financial Performance Email: denis.galvin@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6083

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21.	Capital Programme 2016/17 to 2019/20 -	The report proposes the Capital Programme (excluding HRA) for the four years from 1 April 2016.	9 February 2016		Open Capital Programme 2016/17 to 2019/20	Executive Member for Corporate Resources Comments by 09/01/2016 to Contact Officer: Denis Galvin, Head of Financial Performance Email: denis.galvin@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6083
22.	Budget for the Housing Revenue Account (Landlord Service) Business Plan -	The report sets out the financial position of the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) and the Budget for 2016/17.	9 February 2016		Open Budget for the Housing Revenue Account (Landlord Service) Business Plan	Executive Member for Corporate Resources Comments by 09/01/2016 to Contact Officer: Denis Galvin, Head of Financial Performance Email: denis.galvin@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6083

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23.	December 2015 Quarter 3 Revenue Budget Monitoring -	The report sets out the financial position for 2015/16 as at the end of December 2015. It sets out spend to date against the profiled budget and the forecast financial outturn. It excludes the Housing Revenue Account which is subject to a separate report.	9 February 2016		Open December 2015 Q3 Revenue Budget Monitoring	Executive Member for Corporate Resources Comments by 08/01/2016 to Contact Officer: Denis Galvin, Head of Financial Performance Email: denis.galvin@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6083
24.	December 2015 Quarter 3 Capital Budget Monitoring -	The report provides information on the projected capital outturn for 2015/16 as at December 2015. It excludes the Housing Revenue Account which is subject to a separate report.	9 February 2016		Open December 2015 Q3 Capital Budget Monitoring	Executive Member for Corporate Resources Comments by 09/01/2016 to Contact Officer: Denis Galvin, Head of Financial Performance Email: denis.galvin@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6083

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25.	December 2015 Quarter 3 Housing Revenue Account Budget Monitoring -	The report provides information on the 2015/16 Housing Revenue Account (HRA) projected outturn revenue and capital position as at December 2015.	9 February 2016		Open December 2015 Q3 Housing Revenue Account Budget Monitoring	Executive Member for Corporate Resources Comments by 09/01/2016 to Contact Officer: Denis Galvin, Head of Financial Performance Email: denis.galvin@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6083
26.	Schools Trading Booklet 2016/17 -	Proposed Charges for services provided to Schools & Academies for 2016/17.	9 February 2016	Overview and Scrutiny Committees January Overview & Scrutiny (Children's Services, Corporate Resources)	Open Schools Trading Booklet 2016/17	Deputy Executive Member for Education and Skills Comments by 09/01/2016 to Contact Officer: Denis Galvin, Head of Financial Performance Email: denis.galvin@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6083
27.	New Lower School Places in Stotfold -	This report will seek Executive's support for commencement of a consultation exercise for the commissioning of new lower school places to serve residential development within the Parish of Fairfield.	9 February 2016		Open New Lower School Places in Stotfold	Executive Member for Education and Skills Comments by 09/01/2016 to Contact Officer: Rob Parsons, Head of School Organisation and Capital Planning Email: rob.parsons@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 5572

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28.	Five Year Plan Performance Monitoring -	To receive the Five Year Plan performance monitoring report.	9 February 2016		Open 5 Year Plan Performance Monitoring	Executive Member for Corporate Resources Comments by 09/01/16 to Contact Officer: Deb Broadbent-Clarke, Director of Improvement and Corporate Services Email: deb.broadbent-clarke@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6651
29.	Quarter 3 Performance Report -	To receive the quarter 3 performance monitoring report.	5 April 2016		Open Report	Executive Member for Corporate Resources Comments by 05/03/2015 to Contact Officer: Elaine Malarky, Head of Programmes & Performance Management Email: elaine.malarky@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 5517

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For the Municipal Year 2012/13 the Forward Plan will be published on the thirtieth day of each month or, where the thirtieth day is not a working day, the working day immediately proceeding the thirtieth day, or in February 2013 when the plan will be published on the twenty-eighth day:

Date of Publication	Period of Plan
2 April 2015	1 May 2015 – 30 April 2016
22 April 2015	1 June 2015 – 31 May 2016
2 June 2015	1 July 2015 – 30 June 2016
3 July 2015	1 August 2015 – 31 July 2016
31 July 2015	1 September 2015 – 31 August 2016
2 September 2015	1 October 2015 – 30 September 2016
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