

**Central Bedfordshire Council  
Forward Plan of Key Decisions  
1 November 2010 to 31 October 2011**

- 1) During the period from **1 November 2010 to 31 October 2011**, 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.
- 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:

Member	Portfolio
Cllr Mrs Tricia Turner MBE	Chairman of the Executive and Leader of the Council
Cllr Richard Stay	Deputy Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Policy and Performance
Cllr Mrs Rita Drinkwater	Portfolio Holder for Housing
Cllr Mrs Carole Hegley	Portfolio Holder for Social Care and Health
Cllr Maurice Jones	Portfolio Holder for Finance, Governance and People
Cllr Mrs Anita Lewis	Portfolio Holder for Children’s Services
Cllr Steve Male	Portfolio Holder for Customers, Systems and Assets
Cllr Ken Matthews	Portfolio Holder for Economic Growth, Skills and Regeneration
Cllr David McVicar	Portfolio Holder for Safer Communities and Healthier Lifestyles
Cllr Tom Nicols	Portfolio Holder for Sustainable Development

- 3) 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 Head of Democratic Services, Priory House, Monks Walk, Chicksands, Shefford SG17 5TQ.
- 4) The agendas for meetings of the Executive will be published as follows:

Meeting Date	Publication of Agenda
08 June 2010	27 May 2010
13 July 2010	24 June 2010
17 August 2010	05 August 2010
28 September 2010	16 September 2010
02 November 2010	21 October 2010
07 December 2010	25 November 2010
11 January 2011	23 December 2010
8 February 2011	27 January 2011
15 March 2011	3 March 2011
5 April 2011	24 March 2011
31 May 2011	19 May 2011

## Central Bedfordshire Council

### Forward Plan of Key Decisions for the period 1 November 2010 to 31 October 2011

#### Key Decisions

**Date of Publication:**

Ref No.	Issue for Key Decision by the Executive	Intended Decision	Indicative Meeting Date	Consultees and Date/Method	Documents which may be considered	Portfolio Holder and Contact officer (method of comment and closing date)
1.	First Quarter Review of the 2010/11 Capital Programme -	To review the first quarter of the 2010/11 Capital Programme.	2 November 2010		Report	Cllr Maurice R Jones Comments by 02/10/10 to Contact Officer: Matt Bowmer, Assistant Director, Financial Services/Chief Finance Officer Email: matt.bowmer@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6147
2.	Central Bedfordshire Empty Homes Strategy -	To consider a Empty Homes Strategy for Central Bedfordshire.	2 November 2010	Portfolio Holder for Housing Executive Consultees Social Care Health and Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Report with proposed Empty Homes Strategy	Cllr Mrs Rita J Drinkwater Comments by 05/10/10 to Contact Officer: Nick Costin, Head Private Sector Housing Email: nick.costin@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 5219

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3.	Award of the Gas Maintenance Contract to Council Housing Properties south of the District -	To award the contract	2 November 2010		Report	Cllr Mrs Rita J Drinkwater Comments by 05/10/10 to Contact Officer: Basil Quinn, Housing Asset Manager Performance Email: basil.quinn@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 5202
4.	Local Investment Plan -	To approve the Plan for submission to the Homes and Communities Agency.	2 November 2010		Report	Cllr Ken C Matthews Comments by 05/10/10 to Contact Officer: Jon Cliff, Head of Growth Programme Email: jon.cliff@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 4373
5.	Central Bedfordshire Housing Strategy 2010 - Draft for Consultation -	The Executive are asked to approve the draft strategy and the detailed action plan as the basis for consultation.	2 November 2010	15 January 2010: Key Stakeholders and Partners 28 January 2010: members consultation event Web based consultation December 2009 - February 2010	The Central Bedfordshire Housing Strategy 2010	Cllr Tom Nicols Comments by 02/10/10 to Contact Officer: Zoe Cox, Housing Research & Policy Officer Email: zoe.cox@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 4479

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6.	Carbon Management Plan -	Adoption of the Carbon Management Plan to set out how the Council will reduce it's carbon footprint, identify the opportunities and projects this will involve and strategy for funding this.	2 November 2010	Executive consulted at May meeting. Consultation with the Portfolio holder on-going.	Draft Carbon Management Plan and supporting documents. The Council's Climate Change Strategy	Cllr Tom Nicols Comments by 02/10/10 to Contact Officer: Richard Fox, Head of Development Plan Email: richard.fox@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 4105
7.	LuDun Industries -	To consider the report.	2 November 2010		Report	Cllr Mrs Carole Hegley Comments by 02/10/10 Ed Thompson, Assistant Director, Adult Social Care Email: ed.thompson@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 5146
8.	Corporate Budget Strategy -	To consider the strategy.	2 November 2010		Report	Cllr Maurice R Jones Comments by 02/10/10 Matt Bowmer, Assistant Director, Financial Services/Chief Finance Officer Email: matt.bowmer@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6147

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9.	Budget Management Report - Quarter 2 -	To consider the Quarter 2 Budget Management report.	7 December 2010		Report	Cllr Maurice R Jones Comments by 07/11/10 to Contact Officer: Matt Bowmer, Assistant Director, Financial Services/Chief Finance Officer Email: matt.bowmer@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6147
10.	Future Delivery of Music Service -	To consider future delivery of the Music Service	7 December 2010	Schools, partners, stakeholders	Report	Cllr Mrs Anita M Lewis Comments by 07/11/10 to Contact Officer: Sylvia Gibson, Interim Assistant Director, Policy, Planning and Commissioning Email: sylvia.gibson@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 5598
11.	Annual Performance Assessment for Adult Social Care -	To consider the Adult Social Care Performance Report.	7 December 2010		Report	Cllr Mrs Carole Hegley Comments by 07/11//10 to Contact Officer: Ed Thompson, Assistant Director, Adult Social Care Email: ed.thompson@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 01582 818060

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12.	GAF 3 Programme and LDV Funding -	To consider the programme and funding.	7 December 2010		Report	Cllr Ken C Matthews Comments by 06/11/10 Jon Cliff, Head of Growth Programme Email: jon.cliff@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 8644
13.	Local Bus Services and Community Transport Interim Support Strategy -	To receive the results of the consultation and definitive options.	7 December 2010	Public consultation – 1 October – 15 November 2010	Report	Cllr David McVicar Comments by 05/11/10 Basil Jackson, Assistant Director Highways & Transport Email: basil.jackson@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6171
14.	Traffic speed management for communities in Central Bedfordshire -	To consider traffic speed management for communities in Central Bedfordshire	7 December 2010		Report	Cllr David McVicar Comments by 06/11/10 Basil Jackson, Assistant Director Highways & Transport Email: basil.jackson@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6171

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15.	CCTV Review -	To consider the way forward.	7 December 2010		Report	Cllr David McVicar Comments by 07/11/10 Jane Moakes, Assistant Director Community Safety & Public Protection Email: jane.moakes@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 5441
16.	Draft Budget 2011/12 -	To approve the draft 2011/12 Medium Term Financial Plan and Capital Programme for consultation.	11 January 2011	Overview & Scrutiny Committees	Report	Cllr Maurice R Jones Comments by 11/12/10 to Contact Office: Matt Bowmer, Assistant Director, Financial Services/Chief Finance Officer Email: matt.bowmer@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel 0300 300 6147
17.	Review of Fees and Charges -	To review Fees and Charges for 2011/12	11 January 2011		Report	Cllr Maurice R Jones Comments by 11/12/10 to Contact Officer: Matt Bowmer, Assistant Director, Financial Services/Chief Finance Officer Email: matt.bowmer@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6147



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18.	Treasury Management Strategy -	To consider the Treasury Management Strategy	11 January 2011		Report	Cllr Maurice R Jones Comments by 15/12/10 to Contact Officer: Matt Bowmer, Assistant Director, Financial Services/Chief Finance Officer Email: matt.bowmer@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6147
19.	Future Delivery of Special Education Needs -	To consider future delivery of Special Educational Needs.	11 January 2011	Stakeholders, Schools, Partners, Parents	Report	Cllr Mrs Anita M Lewis Comments by 11/12/10 Mark Wheeler, Interim Assistant Director Children's Services Contact details: Email: mark.wheeler@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6044
20.	Annual Assessment of Children's Services 2010 -	To report the outcome of Ofsted's Annual Assessment of Children's Services and action to be taken to improve future assessment outcomes.	11 January 2011		Report	Cllr Mrs Anita M Lewis Comments by 11/12/10 to Contact Officer: Sylvia Gibson, Interim Assistant Director, Policy, Planning and Commissioning Email: sylvia.gibson@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 5598

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21.	Budget and Capital Programme for 2011/12 -	To recommend the Budget and Capital Programme to Council on 24 February 2011 for approval.	8 February 2011	Overview & Scrutiny Committees	Report	Cllr Maurice R Jones Comments by 05/01/11 to Contact Officer: Matt Bowmer, Assistant Director, Financial Services/Chief Finance Officer Email: matt.bowmer@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6147
22.	Future Delivery of Pupil Referral Unit -	To consider future delivery.	8 February 2011		Report	Cllr Mrs Anita M Lewis Comments by 07/01/11 Alison Bray, Head of School Support Email: alision.bray@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6825

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23.	Local Transport Plan 3 -	To consider the LTP3 for recommending onto Council for approval.	8 February 2011	<p>Members, Stakeholders &amp; General Public (01 February 2010 – 31 October 2010).</p> <p>Channels of engagement include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overview &amp; Scrutiny Cttee (18/01/2011)</li> <li>• Taskforce</li> <li>• Local member &amp; district councillor workshops/meetings</li> <li>• Stakeholder workshops</li> <li>• Householder surveys</li> <li>• On-line presence (myjourney website)</li> <li>• Public exhibitions</li> <li>• Internal briefings</li> <li>• Cross border liaison meetings</li> <li>• Hard copy information distribution to hard to reach groups</li> </ul> <p>Press releases</p>	Report	<p>Cllr Tom Nicols  Comments by 05/01/11 to Contact Officer:  Paul Cook, Head of Transport Strategy  Email:  paul.cook@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk  Tel: 0300 300 6999</p>

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24.	16 - 19 Transport Policy -	To agree the 16 -19 Transport Policy	8 February 2011	Schools, Colleges, work based learning providers, young people, parents	Report	Cllr Mrs Anita M Lewis Comments by 08/01/11 Sylvia Gibson, Interim Assistant Director, Policy, Planning and Commissioning Contact Details: Email: sylvia.gibson@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 5598
25.	Budget Management Report - Quarter 3 -	To consider the Quarter 3 Budget Management Report.	15 March 2011		Report	Cllr Maurice R Jones Comments by 15/02/11 to Contact Officer: Matt Bowmer, Assistant Director, Financial Services/Chief Finance Officer Email: matt.bowmer@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6147

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26.	Child Poverty Strategy -	To agree the strategy which sets out how the Local Authority and its partners intend to reduce child poverty by 2020. This includes 4 targets (relative low income, material deprivation, absolute poverty and persistent poverty). This also includes a needs assessment to describe the characteristics of child and family within Central Bedfordshire and a joint child poverty strategy which will outline the steps and accountability for the Local Authority and partners.	15 March 2011		Report	Cllr Mrs Anita M Lewis Comments by 05/02/11to Contact Officer: Edwina Grant, Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Children's Services Email: edwina.grantt@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 4229

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27.	Biggleswade Town Centre Strategy and Masterplan -	To consider and formally adopt the Biggleswade town centre strategy and masterplan as a supplementary planning document.	15 March 2011	<p>Non statutory consultation – July 2009 comprising public exhibition</p> <p>Non statutory consultation – 3 July to 27 August 2010, 4 public exhibitions in addition to web and print consultation methods</p> <p>Formal statutory consultation – Early November 2010 for a period of four to six weeks</p>	Biggleswade town centre strategy and masterplan	<p>Cllr Ken C Matthews, Cllr Tom Nicols</p> <p>Comments to Contact Officer: Liz Wade, Assistant Director Economic Growth and Regeneration</p> <p>Email: liz.wade@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</p> <p>Tel: 0300 300 6288</p>
28.	Community Safety Partnership Priorities and the Community Safety Partnership Plan for 2011 - 2012 -	To agree and sign off the Community Safety Partnership Priorities and the Community Safety Partnership Plan for 2011- 12	15 March 2011	Strategic Assessment & Partnership Plan will be considered at the CSP Executive Meeting in November 2010, Overview and Scrutiny Committee in January 2011 and the Local Strategic Partnership in February 2011	Strategic Assessment Priorities & Community Safety Partnership Plan 2011 - 2012	<p>Cllr David McVicar</p> <p>Comments by 10/02/11</p> <p>Jeanette Keyte, Community Safety Manager Email: jeanette.keyte@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 5232</p>

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29.	Dunstable Town Centre Masterplan -	To approve the Dunstable Town Centre Masterplan as Interim Technical Guidance for Development Management Purposes.	15 March 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non statutory consultation – April 2009 comprising dedicated website, public exhibition, stakeholder workshop and printed consultation methods.</li> <li>• Non statutory consultation – September 2009 comprising dedicated website, public exhibition, stakeholder workshop and printed consultation methods.</li> <li>• Formal 6 weeks statutory consultation – 18<sup>th</sup> September - 1<sup>st</sup> November 2010 comprising dedicated website, 3 public exhibitions, printed consultation methods, presentations to relevant stakeholders, CDs.</li> </ul>	Dunstable Town Centre Masterplan	Cllr Ken C Matthews, Cllr Tom Nicols Comments by 15/02/11 Liz Wade, Assistant Director Economic Growth and Regeneration Email: liz.wade@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6288
30.	Children and Young People's Plan -	That the Executive endorse the Central Bedfordshire Children and Young People's Plan and recommends the adoption of the Plan to Council.	15 March 2011	Children and young people, parents, carers and stakeholders through a variety of mechanisms such as workshops, information published on website and meetings with key partners.	Report	Cllr Mrs Anita M Lewis Comments by 01/02/11 to Contact Officer: Sylvia Gibson, Interim Assistant Director, Policy, Planning and Commissioning Email: sylvia.gibson@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 5598

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31.	Local Economic Plan -	To approve the Central Bedfordshire Local Economic Plan.	31 May 2011		Draft final Local Economic Plan	Cllr Ken C Matthews Comments by 16/11/10 to Contact Officer: James Cushing, Head of Economic Policy Email: james.cushing@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 4984

## NON KEY DECISIONS

32.	Quarter 2 Performance Report -	To highlight the key Quarter 2 performance for Central Bedfordshire Council	7 December 2010		Report	Cllr Richard Stay Comments by 01/11/10 to Contact Officer: Peter Fraser, Head of Partnerships & Performance Email: peter.fraser@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6740
33.	Quarter 3 Performance Report -	To highlight the key Quarter 3 performance for Central Bedfordshire Council.	15 March 2011		Report	Cllr Richard Stay Comments by 01/02/11 to Contact Officer: Peter Fraser, Head of Partnerships & Performance Email: peter.fraser@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6740



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34.	Quarter 4 Performance Report -	To highlight key Quarter 4 performance for Central Bedfordshire Council.	31 May 2011		Report	Cllr Richard Stay Comments by 01/05/11 to Contact Officer: Peter Fraser, Head of Partnerships & Performance Email: peter.fraser@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6740

Postal address for Contact Officers: Central Bedfordshire Council, Priory House, Monks Walk, Chicksands, Shefford SG17 5TQ

## **Central Bedfordshire Council Forward Plan of Decisions on Key Issues**

For the Municipal Year 2010/11 the Forward Plan will be published on the fifteenth day of each month or, where the fifteenth day is not a working day, the working day immediately proceeding the fifteenth day, or in February 2011 when the plan will be published on the fourteenth day:

<b>Date of Publication</b>	<b>Period of Plan</b>
14.05.10	1 June 2010 – 31 May 2011
15.06.10	1 July 2010 – 30 June 2011
15.07.10	1 August 2010 – 31 July 2011
13.08.10	1 September 2010 – 31 August 2011
15.09.10	1 October 2010 – 30 September 2011
15.10.09	1 November 2010 – 31 October 2011
15.11.10	1 December 2010 – 30 November 2011
15.12.10	1 January 2011 – 31 December 2011
14.01.11	1 February 2011 – 31 January 2012
14.02.11	1 March 2011 – 29 February 2012
15.03.11	1 April 2011 – 31 March 2012
15.04.11	1 May 2011 – 30 April 2012