

Cabinet work programme

28 July 2023

What is the Cabinet work programme?

The Cabinet work programme is a list of the key decisions and other planned cabinet and cabinet member decisions to be taken on behalf of the council.

What is a key decision?

Key decisions are defined as decisions that are likely to:

- incur expenditure, make savings or to receive income (except government grant) of more than £75,000 or
- award a revenue or capital grant of over £25,000 or
- agree an action that, in the view of the chief executive or the relevant head of service, would be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising more than one ward in the area of the council.

Officers may also include other items in this work programme on a voluntary basis that do not fit the above definition.

What does the Cabinet work programme tell me?

The work programme gives information about:

- what key decisions and other planned cabinet and cabinet member decisions are coming forward in the next few months
- when those decisions are likely to be made
- who will make those decisions
- what consultation will be undertaken
- who you can make representations to, and how
- what documents you can ask for
- who you can contact for further information

Who takes key decisions?

Key decisions are taken by the Cabinet, individual Cabinet members or individual officers acting under delegated powers.

Exempt or confidential decisions

This work programme gives notice of any Cabinet decisions that are likely to be considered in part of a Cabinet meeting when the public are excluded. It may become necessary during the course of a Cabinet meeting to debate an issue or make a decision in the exempt or confidential part of the meeting. However, the Cabinet must first resolve to exclude the public and give a reason for doing so under Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

Who are the Cabinet members?

Cabinet is made up of the Leader of the Council and up to nine further members. The leader has allocated portfolios to Cabinet members as follows:

- [Councillor David Rouane](#): Leader
- [Councillor Maggie Filipova-Rivers](#) : Community wellbeing, and statutory deputy leader
- [Councillor Robin Bennett](#): Economic development and regeneration, and deputy leader
- [Councillor Pieter-Paul Barker](#): Finance and property assets
- [Councillor Sue Cooper](#): Environment
- [Councillor Andrea Powell](#): Corporate services, policy and programmes
- [Councillor Anne-Marie Simpson](#): Planning
- [Councillor Freddie Van Mierlo](#): Climate change and nature recovery

How do I make contact?

Each entry in the work programme indicates the names of the relevant people to contact about that particular item. The contact details for the Cabinet members are available on the council's website www.southoxon.gov.uk.

How do I get copies of agenda papers and other relevant documents?

The agenda papers for Cabinet meetings and other relevant documents are available five working days before the meeting on the council's website www.southoxon.gov.uk.

How to make representations to the Cabinet

Members of the public may make a statement or ask a question at a Cabinet meeting on an issue on the Cabinet agenda. To do so, the public must register their intention to speak by 12 noon on the working day before the meeting. To register please contact Democratic Services by e-mail: democratic.services@southandvale.gov.uk.

This work programme is subject to change

The dates listed for each forthcoming decision are the earliest dates for items to come forward.

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DECISION AND PURPOSE (AND REASON FOR CONFIDENTIALITY WHERE APPROPRIATE)	KEY DECISION?	DECISION MAKER AND EARLIEST DECISION DATE	CABINET MEMBER	DATE FIRST ON WORK PROGRAMME	PRINCIPAL CONSULTEES (including Committees)	CONTACT OFFICER	DOCUMENTS TO BE USED BY THE DECISION MAKER
JULY 2023 DECISIONS							
Standing item: Property decisions Purpose: to approve any property sales or purchases or take any property management decisions	Yes	Cabinet member for economic development and regeneration July 2023 Head of development and corporate landlord July 2023	Robin Bennett	28 Jul 2014		Karen Lister karen.lister@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet member decision form or officer key decision form
Standing item: Section 106 and Community Infrastructure Levy funds Purpose: to create a budget and release funds	Yes	Cabinet member for finance and property assets July 2023	Pieter-Paul Barker	1 Sep 2022		Mark Hewer mark.hewer@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet member decision form
Standing item: Decisions relating to the use of UK Prosperity Funding	Yes	Leader of the council July 2023	David Rouane	26 Jun 2023		Nick King nick.king@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet member decision form
Thame Leisure Centre Purpose: to replace the combined heat and power unit	Yes	Cabinet member for community wellbeing, Cabinet member for finance and property assets July 2023	Maggie Filipova-Rivers, Pieter-Paul Barker	3 Oct 2022		Jan Smith jan.smith@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet member decision form

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Affordable homes project at 116-120 Broadway, Didcot Purpose: to award a contract for the design of this project	Yes	Cabinet member for economic development and regeneration July 2023	Robin Bennett	17 Feb 2023		Aileen David aileen.david@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet member decision form
Wallingford accessible moorings Purpose: to award a contract to undertake works	Yes	Cabinet member for the environment July 2023	Sue Cooper	4 May 2022		John Backley john.backley@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet member decision form
Car park refurbishment project Purpose: to draw funds from the provisional capital programme	No	Cabinet member for finance and property assets July 2023	Pieter-Paul Barker	24 Feb 2023		John Backley john.backley@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet member decision form
The Council Tax 'top up' Support Award To approve how some remaining funding is to be allocated against certain council tax accounts.	Yes	Cabinet member for finance and property assets July 2023	Pieter-Paul Barker	15 Jun 2023		Trevor Gaffney trevor.gaffney@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet member decision form
Afghan Relocation and Assistance Policy Purpose: to award a contract for property management and tenancy management	Yes	Cabinet member for finance and property assets July 2023	Pieter-Paul Barker	29 Jun 2023		Paul Fielding paul.fielding@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet member decision form
Car park refurbishment project Purpose: to award a contract for refurbishments	Yes	Cabinet member for finance and property assets July 2023	Pieter-Paul Barker	24 Feb 2023		John Backley john.backley@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet member decision form

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Finance System application support services Purpose: to award a contract	Yes	Head of finance July 2023	Pieter-Paul Barker	3 Apr 2023		Ben Watson ben.watson@southandvale.gov.uk	Officer key decision form
Local Authority Housing Fund and Service Family Accommodations housing schemes Purpose: to enter into a credit agreement to furnish and equip properties	Yes	Head of finance July 2023	Pieter-Paul Barker	5 Jul 2023		Louise Birt louise.birt@southandvale.gov.uk	Officer key decision form
AUGUST DECISIONS							
Berinsfield grant scheme Purpose: to approve revenue funding award to Oxfordshire South and Vale Citizens Advice	Yes	Head of Policy and Programmes Not before 3 August 2023	Maggie Filipova- Rivers	6 Jul 2023		Cheryl Reeves cheryl.reeves@southandvale.gov.uk	Officer key decision form
Standing item: Recommendations from other committees Purpose: to consider and determine action on any recommendations from other committees	Yes	Cabinet 10 August 2023	Relevant Cabinet members	18 Oct 2019		Steve Culliford steve.culliford@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet report

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Grant funding affordable housing Purpose: to review the criteria used to allocate Section 106 affordable housing funds	Yes	Scrutiny Committee 7 August 2023 Cabinet 10 August 2023	Robin Bennett	26 Jun 2023		Nigel Bower nigel.bower@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet report
Abbey Sports Centre, Berinsfield Purpose: to refurbish the artificial turf pitch	Yes	Cabinet member for community wellbeing Not before 25 August 2023	Maggie Filipova-Rivers	28 Jul 2023		Jan Smith jan.smith@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet member decision form
SEPTEMBER DECISIONS							
Cuxham Conservation Area Purpose: to adopt the Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan	No	Cabinet 28 September 2023	Anne-Marie Simpson	26 May 2023		Samantha Allen samantha.allen@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet report
Dorchester and Overy Conservation Area Purpose: to adopt the Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan	No	Cabinet 28 September 2023	Anne-Marie Simpson	26 May 2023		Samantha Allen samantha.allen@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet report
Joint Local Plan Regulation 18 Part 2 Purpose: to approve preferred options for consultation	Yes	Joint Scrutiny Committee 21 September 2023 Cabinet 28 September 2023	Anne-Marie Simpson	26 May 2023		Lucy Murfett Lucy.Murfett@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet report

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Local Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Purpose: to agree a funding arrangement with Oxfordshire County Council	Yes	Cabinet 28 September 2023	Freddie van Mierlo	26 May 2023		John Backley john.backley@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet report
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2024 DECISIONS

Play areas Purpose: to provide a maintenance service for existing play areas	Yes	Cabinet member for the environment February 2024	Sue Cooper	15 Jul 2022		John Backley john.backley@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet member decision form
Henley Public Places Protection Order Purpose: to review the order	No	Leader of the council March 2024	David Rouane	29 Jun 2023		Katharine Doherty Katharine.Doherty@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet member decision form
Thame Public Places Protection Order Purpose: to review the order	No	Leader of the council March 2024	David Rouane	29 Jun 2023		Katharine Doherty Katharine.Doherty@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet member decision form