

# **NOTIFICATION OF DECISIONS**

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## **SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL**

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Slough Borough Council has a decision making process involving an Executive (Cabinet) and a Scrutiny Function.

As part of the process, the Council will publish a Notification of Decisions which sets out the decisions which the Cabinet intends to take over the following 3 months. The Notice includes both Key and non Key decisions. Key decisions are those which are financially significant or have a significant impact on 2 or more Wards in the Town. This Notice supersedes all previous editions.

Whilst the majority of the Cabinet's business at the meetings listed in this document 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 formal notice under The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 that part of the Cabinet meetings listed in this Notice will/may 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 (Access to Information) Act 1985 (as amended) and that the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing it.

This document provides a summary of the reason why a matter is likely to be considered in private / Part II. The full reasons are listed alongside the report on the Council's website.

If you have any queries, or wish to make any representations in relation to the meeting being held in private for the consideration of the Part II items, please email [catherine.meek@slough.gov.uk](mailto:catherine.meek@slough.gov.uk) (no later than 15 calendar days before the meeting date listed).

#### **What will you find in the Notice?**

For each decision, the plan will give:

- The subject of the report.
- Who will make the decision.
- The date on which or the period in which the decision will be made.
- Contact details of the officer preparing the report.
- A list of those documents considered in the preparation of the report (if not published elsewhere).
- The likelihood the report would contain confidential or exempt information.

## **What is a Key Decision?**

An executive decision which is likely either:

- To result in the Council incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the Council's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or
- To be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards within the borough.

## **Who will make the Decision?**

Decisions set out in this Notice will be taken by the Cabinet, unless otherwise specified. All decisions (unless otherwise stated) included in this Notice will be taken on the basis of a written report and will be published on the Council's website before the meeting.

The members of the Cabinet are as follows:

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| • Leader of the Council - Regeneration & Strategy | Councillor Swindlehurst |
| • Deputy Leader – Governance & Customer Services  | Councillor Akram        |
| • Sustainable Transport & Environmental Services  | Councillor Anderson     |
| • Inclusive Growth & Skills                       | Councillor Bains        |
| • Planning & Regulation                           | Councillor Mann         |
| • Housing & Community Safety                      | Councillor Nazir        |
| • Health & Wellbeing                              | Councillor Pantelic     |
| • Children & Schools                              | Councillor Carter       |

## **Where can you find a copy of the Notification of Decisions?**

The Plan will be updated and republished monthly. A copy can be obtained from Democratic Services at St Martin's Place, 51 Bath Road on weekdays between 9.00 a.m. and 4.45 p.m., from MyCouncil, Landmark Place, High Street, or Tel: (01753) 875120, email: [catherine.meek@slough.gov.uk](mailto:catherine.meek@slough.gov.uk). Copies will be available in the Borough's libraries and a copy will be published on Slough Borough Council's Website.

## **How can you have your say on Cabinet reports?**

Each Report has a contact officer. If you want to comment or make representations, notify the contact officer before the deadline given.

### **What about the Papers considered when the decision is made?**

Reports relied on to make key decisions will be available before the meeting on the Council's website or are available from Democratic Services.

### **Can you attend the meeting at which the decision will be taken?**

Where decisions are made by the Cabinet, the majority of these will be made in open meetings. Some decisions have to be taken in private, where they are exempt or confidential as detailed in the Local Government Act 1972. You will be able to attend the discussions on all other decisions.

### **When will the decision come into force?**

Implementation of decisions will be delayed for 5 working days after Members are notified of the decisions to allow Members to refer the decisions to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, unless the decision is urgent, in which case it may be implemented immediately.

### **What about key decisions taken by officers?**

Many of the Council's decisions are taken by officers under delegated authority. Key decisions will be listed with those to be taken by the Cabinet. Key and Significant Decisions taken under delegated authority are reported monthly and published on the Council's website.

### **Are there exceptions to the above arrangements?**

There will be occasions when it will not be possible to include a decision/report in this Notice. If a key decision is not in this Notice but cannot be delayed until the next Notice is published, it can still be taken if:

- The Head of Democratic Services has informed the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or relevant Scrutiny Panel in writing, of the proposed decision/action. (In the absence of the above, the Mayor and Deputy Mayor will be consulted);
- Copies of the Notice have been made available to the Public; and at least 5 working days have passed since public notice was given.
- If the decision is too urgent to comply with the above requirement, the agreement of the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee has been obtained that the decision cannot be reasonably deferred.
- If the decision needs to be taken in the private part of a meeting (Part II) and Notice of this has not been published, the Head of Democratic Services will seek permission from the Chair of Overview & Scrutiny, and publish a Notice setting out how representations can be made in relation to the intention to consider the matter in Part II of the agenda. Urgent Notices are published on the Council's [website](#).

For further information, contact Democratic Services on 01753 875120.

## Cabinet - 18th November 2019

Item	Portfolio	Ward	Priority	Contact Officer	Other Committee	Background Documents	New Item	Likely to be Part II
<p><b><u>Financial Update, Revenue - Quarter 2 2019/20</u></b></p> <p>To receive an update on the latest revenue position and to consider any write off requests, virements and any other financial decisions requiring Cabinet approval.</p>	G&C	All	All	Barry Stratfull, Service Lead Finance Tel: (01753) 875748	-	None		
<p><b><u>Financial Update, Capital - Quarter 2 2019/20</u></b></p> <p>To receive an update on the capital programme for the second quarter of the year.</p>	R&S	All	All	Barry Stratfull, Service Lead Finance Tel: (01753) 875748	-	None		
<p><b><u>Community Investment Fund 2019/20 Update</u></b></p> <p>To receive an update on the delivery of the 2019/20 Community Investment Fund; consider proposals for utilising the remaining Cabinet allocation; and future processes.</p>	G&C	All	All	Dean Tyler, Service Lead Strategy & Performance Tel: (01753) 875847	-	None		
<p><b><u>Town Centre Masterplan</u></b></p> <p>To consider a report on the proposed masterplan for Slough town centre.</p>	I&S, R&S	Central	All	Kassandra Polyzoides, Service Lead Regeneration Development Tel: (01753) 875852	-	None		Yes, p3 LGA

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**Bold** – Key Decision      Non-Bold – Non-Key Decision      *Italics* – Performance/Monitoring Report

<b><u>Nova House</u></b> Further to the Cabinet report on 21 <sup>st</sup> January 2019, to receive a further update on Nova House and take any further decisions on the work programme and associated matters.	H&C	Central	All	Richard West, Interim Director of Place & Development	-	None		Yes, p3 LGA
<b><u>Tower House and Ashbourne House Development</u></b> To take further decisions to enable the redevelopment of Tower House and Ashbourne House in relation to the operation of powers under section 203 of the Housing & Planning Act 2016.	H&C	Chalvey	Housing	John Griffiths, Service Lead Housing Development and Contracts Tel: (01753) 875436	-	None	√	Yes, p3 LGA
<b><u>Urban Tree Challenge Fund</u></b> To consider a report on Slough's bid to the Urban Tree Challenge Fund, a national initiative which aims to plant at least 20,000 large trees and 110,000 small trees in urban areas in England in the next two years.	T&E	All	All	Richard West, Interim Director of Place & Development	-	None	√	
<b><u>References from Overview &amp; Scrutiny</u></b> <i>To consider any references from the Overview &amp; Scrutiny Committee and Scrutiny Panels.</i>	G&C	All	All	Janine Jenkinson, Senior Democratic Services Officer Tel: 01753 875018	-	None		
<b><u>Notification of Forthcoming Decisions</u></b> <i>To endorse the published Notification of Decisions.</i>	R&S	All	All	Catherine Meek, Head of Democratic Services Tel: 01753 875011	-	None		

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## Cabinet - 16th December 2019

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<p><b><u>Performance &amp; Projects Report Q2 2019/20</u></b></p> <p>To receive a report on the progress against the Council's balanced scorecard indicators and key projects for 2019/20.</p>	G&C	All	All	Dean Tyler, Service Lead Strategy & Performance Tel: (01753) 875847	-	None		
<p><b><u>Medium Term Financial Strategy Update</u></b></p> <p>To receive an update on the latest medium term financial planning assumptions for the Council and take any decisions relating to savings and growth plans as part of the budget setting process leading to Budget Council on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2020.</p>	R&S	All	All	Barry Stratfull, Service Lead Finance Tel: (01753) 875748	-	None	√	
<p><b><u>Council Taxbases 2020/21</u></b></p> <p>To present information on the properties in Slough and their categories of occupation for the purpose of determining the council taxbase for the borough for the 2020/21 financial year.</p>	G&C	All	All	Barry Stratfull, Service Lead Finance Tel: (01753) 875748	-	None		
<p><b><u>Transport Vision for Slough</u></b></p> <p>Further to the decision taken by Cabinet on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019, to receive a report on the Transport Vision for Slough, which will include the Parking Strategy.</p>	T&E	All	All	Savio DeCruz, Service Lead Major Infrastructure Projects Tel: 01753 875640	-	None	√	

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## Cabinet - 20th January 2020

Item	Portfolio	Ward	Priority	Contact Officer	Other Committee	Background Documents	New Item	Likely to be Part II
<b><u>Council Tax Support Scheme</u></b>  To agree a scheme for the administration of Council Tax support for 2020-21.	G&C	All	All	Neil Wilcox, Director of Finance and Resources (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01753 875358	-	None	√	
<b><u>HRA Rents &amp; Service Charges 2020/21</u></b>  To consider the Housing Revenue Account rent and service charge for 2020/21 and, if agreed, recommend the changes to full Council.	H&C	All	All	Neale Cooper, Head of Finance (Transformation) Tel: (01753) 875417	-	None	√	
<u>References from Overview &amp; Scrutiny</u>  <i>To consider any references from the Overview &amp; Scrutiny Committee and Scrutiny Panels.</i>	G&C	All	All	Janine Jenkinson, Senior Democratic Services Officer Tel: 01753 875018	-	None	√	

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