



**OXFORDSHIRE
COUNTY COUNCIL**

Forward Plan

**November 2025
Supplement**

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The Cabinet's Forward Plan: Introduction

This Forward Plan outlines the decisions which are expected to be made over the coming four-month period by or on behalf of the County Council's Cabinet. **NB Also included, for ease of reference, are items for the current month.**

The Plan is arranged in Committee date order, Cabinet or Delegated Decision by Cabinet Member. (The members and their portfolios are listed in the table on the next page.) Each entry briefly describes the subject and scope of the decision; indicates the "target date" on which the decision is expected to be taken and by whom (eg whether the full Cabinet or an individual Cabinet Member); what documents (normally a report by an officer) are expected to be considered; and contact details for the officer(s) dealing with the matter. The Annex is in Cabinet Member portfolio order.

Where consultation is being carried out prior to the decision being taken, the principal consultees are specified. The method of consultation will normally be by letter or – where the views of the wider public are to be sought – by press coverage, supplemented by local notices if the decision affects a particular area. Other methods, such as exhibitions, opinion surveys, community forums etc, may be used to supplement these.

The lists include any "key decisions" - those which are "significant" under the terms of government regulations. In general, a key decision may not be taken unless notice of it has been included in the Forward Plan. More detailed information on what is a key decision can be found in the Council's Constitution on the Council's website.¹ This can also be inspected at County Hall.

However, the Council has decided that Oxfordshire's Forward Plan should include all those matters which are expected to come before the Cabinet in the period of the Plan, whether or not they may give rise to key decisions.

If any key decisions are expected to be taken by officers within the Plan period under powers delegated by the Cabinet, these are included in the Plan.

Unless of a confidential nature, reports and other documents for any meeting can be inspected, from approximately a week before the meeting, at County Hall and online². Copies can be supplied on request, at a charge to cover copying costs.

Making Representations about Forward Plan Items

Anyone who wishes to make representations about a particular matter listed in the Plan should send their comments so as to reach the County Council at least a week before it is due to be considered. Comments should be either:

Posted to "Forward Plan", Law & Governance (Democratic Services), Corporate Services, County Hall, Oxford OX1 1ND, delivered in person to the same address or e-mailed to forward.plan@oxfordshire.gov.uk.

There is also a facility for making a short address to the Cabinet or Cabinet Member in person. The deadline for any request to do this is 9.00 am on the working day before the matter is due to be considered. A form is available from Democratic Support Team, Law & Governance (Democratic Services), (contact as above, or telephone Oxford 810806) or online³.

¹ [Decision Making including Key Decisions](#) – Main Menu > About your Council > Meetings > The Constitution > Part 2, Article 12 – Decision Making

² [Agendas, Minutes & Reports](#) – Main Menu > About your Council > Meetings > Browse Committee Papers

³ [Get Involved in Meetings](#) – Main Menu > About your Council > Meetings > Get involved in meetings

Members of the Cabinet

Cabinet Member
Leader of the Council <i>Councillor Liz Leffman</i>
Cabinet Member for Resources and Deputy Leader <i>Councillor Neil Fawcett</i>
Cabinet Member for Children and Young People <i>Councillor Sean Gaul</i>
Cabinet Member for Community Wellbeing and Safety <i>Councillor Jenny Hannaby</i>
Cabinet Member for Future Economy and Innovation <i>Councillor Ben Higgins</i>
Cabinet Member for Highway Management <i>Councillor Andrew Gant</i>
Cabinet Member for Place, Environment and Climate Action <i>Councillor Judy Roberts</i>
Cabinet Member for Finance, Property and Transformation <i>Councillor Dan Levy</i>
Cabinet Member for Adults <i>Councillor Tim Bearder</i>
Cabinet Member for Public Health and Inequalities <i>Councillor Kate Gregory</i>

The Forward Plan

13 November 2025

Item to be considered	Decision Maker	Key Decision (yes/no)	Exempt Information	Consultation	Reason for Amendment (if any)	Cabinet Member	Contact Officer	Report by
<p>North Wessex National Landscape Management Plan 2025-2030 (Ref: 25/224)</p> <p>The North Wessex Downs National Landscape Council of Partners has approved the statutory management plan for the NWD National Landscape for the period 2025-2030. Local Authority Partners are requested to formally adopt the plan by the end of October. The plan is an update of the existing Management Plan, which was adopted by the Council in 2019.</p>	Delegated Decisions by Cabinet Member for Place, Environment and Climate Action (13 November 2025)	No	None	N/A		Cabinet Member for Place, Environment and Climate Action	Haidrun Breith	Director of Environment & Highways