Leicester City Council

PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS

Published on 16 October 2012 for decisions on or after 25 November 2012

What is the Plan of Key Decisions?

Each month, the Council publishes a plan to show all the key decisions, which are currently known about, that are intended to be taken by the Council's Executive (City Mayor, Deputy City Mayor and Assistant City Mayors).

What is a key decision?

A key decision is an executive decision which is likely:

- 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 two or more wards in the City.

In addition to the key decisions, the City Mayor and the Executive also take other non-key decisions. Details of these can be found at www.cabinet.leicester.gov.uk/mgdelegateddecisions.aspx?bcr=1

What information is included in the plan of key decisions?

The plan identifies how, when and who will take the decision and in addition who will be consulted before the decision is taken and who to contact for more information or to make representations.

The plan is published on the Council's website.

Prior to taking each executive decision, please note that the relevant decision notice and accompanying report will be published on the Council's website and can be found at www.cabinet.leicester.gov.uk/mgdelegateddecisions.aspx?bcr=1

PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS

Decisions on or after 25 November 2012

Contents

| | Page |
|--------------------------------------|------|
| 1. A strong and democratic council | 3 |
| 2. A place to do business | 3 |
| 3. Our children and young people | 3 |
| 4. A low carbon city | 8 |
| 5. The built and natural environment | 8 |
| 6. A healthy and active city | 9 |
| 7. Getting about in Leicester | 12 |
| 8. People, leisure and culture | 13 |

1. A strong and democratic council

| What is the Decision to be taken? | HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT BUDGET. CAPITAL PROGRAMME AND RENT SETTING |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | Between 25 Nov 2012 and 28 Feb 2013 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | |
| Who can I contact for further | Ann.Branson@leicester.gov.uk |
| information or to make | |
| representations | |

2. A place to do business

No key decisions are currently scheduled to be taken during this current period.

3. Our children and young people

| What is the Decision to be taken? | CARE LEAVERS APPRENTICESHIP SCHEME Outline of actions taken and support on offer to looked after children. |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | December 2012 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | Children in Care Council |
| | Corporate Parenting Forum |
| Who can I contact for further | Andy.Smith@leicester.gov.uk |
| information or to make | |
| representations | |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| | CONSULTATION |
| | Following public consultation the Executive will |
| | be asked to take a decision on policy changes |
| | to secure agreed budget savings. |
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | January 2013 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | This consultation will commence November – |
| | December 2012. A further report to Executive |
| | and Scrutiny is envisaged in January 2013. |
| Who can I contact for further | Trevor.Pringle@leicester.gov.uk |
| information or to make | |
| representations | |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | ADMINISTRATION OF FREE MILK |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| | A change in administration processes will |
| | enable the Council to improve efficiency and |
| | recoupment processes. This will necessitate |
| | contracting with a third party and changing |
| | processes in Schools and Settings. A decision |
| | from the Executive will be sought. |
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | January 2013 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | Consultation with schools will be required to |
| | ensure effective engagement and continued |
| | service delivery in the event of a change in |
| | arrangements being implemented. |
| Who can I contact for further | Trevor.Pringle@leicester.gov.uk |
| information or to make | |
| representations | |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | YOUTH OFFENDING SERVICE - TRANSITION ARRANGEMENTS INSPECTION OUTCOMES Executive to note the outcome and agree to |
|--|---|
| | support service in developing and implementing associated Action Plan. |
| Who will decide? | City Mayor / Executive |
| When will they decide? | Between 25 Nov 2012 and 28 Feb 2013 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | Youth Offending Management Board. |
| Who can I contact for further information or to make representations | Trevor.Pringle@leicester.gov.uk |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | INDEPENDENT REVIEWING OFFICER ANNUAL REPORT Update on the work of the IRO service. |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | December 2012 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | None. |
| Who can I contact for further | Andy.Smith@leicester.gov.uk |
| information or to make | |
| representations | |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | STATUTORY COMPLAINTS ANNUAL REPORT Annual report on the statutory complaints in relation to Children's Services. |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | December 2012 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | None |

| Who can I contact for further | Andy.Smith@leicester.gov.uk |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| information or to make | |
| representations | |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | REORGANISATION OF BRAUNSTONE FRITH INFANT & JUNIOR SCHOOLS Following completion of statutory processes the Executive will be asked to take a formal decision on the school re-organisation proposal. |
|--|---|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | Between 1 Dec 2012 and 31 Jan 2013 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | |
| Who can I contact for further information or to make representations | Margaret.Libreri@leicester.gov.uk |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE & PARENTS PARTICIPATION IN SOCIAL CARE AND SERVICES To summarise the activity in engaging groups of young people including LAC across the division and incorporating services user views from CPC. |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | December 2012 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | |
| Who can I contact for further | Julie.Jordan@leicester.gov.uk |
| information or to make | |
| representations | |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | 0-19 MANAGEMENT REVIEW The Executive will be invited to comment upon and endorse a business case to secure organisational change and agreed budget savings. |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | December 2012 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | Organisational Review requirement. |
| Who can I contact for further | Trevor.Pringle@leicester.gov.uk |
| information or to make | |
| representations | |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | STRATEGIC COMMISSIONING REVIEW OF SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE Implementing the 'Core Offer'. The Executive will be briefed on further implementation plans |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| | and related issues. |

| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
|--|---------------------------------|
| When will they decide? | January 2013 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | |
| Who can I contact for further information or to make representations | Trevor.Pringle@leicester.gov.uk |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | FOSTERING STATEMENT OF PURPOSE The Executive will be updated on the new Statement of Purpose and function. |
|--|--|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | December 2012 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | |
| Who can I contact for further information or to make representations | Andy.Smith@leicester.gov.uk |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | CORPORATE PARENTING ANNUAL REPORT |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| | Annual report on Leicester City Council's |
| | Corporate Parenting Role with proposals for |
| | embedding the role across the City Council, |
| | amongst elected Members and senior officers. |
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | December 2012 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | |
| Who can I contact for further | |
| information or to make | |
| representations | |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | THE FUTURE OF LEICESTER CITY COUNCIL'S MULTI ACCESS CENTRES |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | December 2012 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | |
| Who can I contact for further | Margaret.libreri@leicester.gov.uk |
| information or to make | |
| representations | |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | PROVISION OF INFORMATION, ADVICE AND GUIDANCE (IAG) AND THE FUTURE OF CONNEXIONS The future of the two respective Connexions companies will need to be the subject of further discussion between the City and County Council Joint owners. Further reports will need to be brought to the executive but exact dates are not clear at this point. |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |

| When will they decide? | Between 1 Jan 2013 and 31 Mar 2013 |
|--|---|
| Who will be consulted and how? | Ongoing dialogue will be required with the County Council with regard to the dissolution of the current Connexions Company / Companies which are jointly owned by both authorities. Further dialogue required in connection with meeting residual employee liabilities. An oral update was given at Children and Young People's Scrutiny Commission on 19/09/12. |
| Who can I contact for further information or to make representations | Trevor.Pringle@leicester.gov.uk |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | SCHOOLS ADMISSIONS ARRANGEMENTS FOR ENTRY SEPTEMBER 2014 To seek approval of a public consultation document in connection with admission numbers, admission arrangements and secondary catchment areas for all City maintained Schools for entry on September 2014. |
|--|--|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | Between 25 Nov 2012 and 28 Feb 2013 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | Public consultation required prior to Final decision on arrangements by Executive in February/March 2013. |
| Who can I contact for further information or to make representations | Trevor.Pringle@leicester.gov.uk |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | PUPIL PLACE PLANNING To seek approval of a wide range of strategic options to raise City primary school place capacity to meet operational requirements for 2015/16 onwards. Report will recommend capital works at a number of sites and a range of complementary collaborative endeavours/ initiatives to meet needs within available resources, local aspirations and current national school organisation policies and procedures. |
|--|--|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | December 2012 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | A range of statutory consultation processes may need to be completed dependent upon options approved by the Executive. |
| Who can I contact for further information or to make representations | Trevor.Pringle@leicester.gov.uk |

4. A low carbon city

No key decisions are currently scheduled to be taken during this current period.

5. The built and natural environment

| What is the Decision to be taken? | INCREASING AFFORDABLE HOUSING / BUILDING COUNCIL HOUSES To agree best options using available resources to increase social rented housing. |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | Between 25 Nov 2012 and 28 Feb 2013 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | |
| Who can I contact for further | Julia.Keeling@leicester.gov.uk |
| information or to make | |
| representations | |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | CAPITAL PROGRAMME POLICY PROVISION Help to low income home owners. To agree the best use of resources to assist low income own occupancy and maintain their homes / make energy efficient. |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | Between 25 Nov 2012 and 28 Feb 2013 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | |
| Who can I contact for further | Martin.Bromley@leicester.gov.uk |
| information or to make | |
| representations | |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | ACCOMMODATION STRATEGY - IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAMME Production of a strategic business case to be coupled with the draft decant plan and report seeking approval for the decisions to move the programme forward including approval of release of design funds for CSC, data Centre and Attenborough House, procurement of data centre. |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | December 2012 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | TBC |
| Who can I contact for further | Anthony.Carter@leicester.gov.uk |
| information or to make | |
| representations | |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | GYPSY AND TRAVELLERS - AGREEMENT OF SITES FOR DEVELOPMENT |
|--|--|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | 25 Nov 2012 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | Extensive public consultation carried out and closed on 17/7/2012. Consultation replies being analysed. |
| Who can I contact for further information or to make representations | AndrewL.Smith@leicester.gov.uk |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | LOCAL PLAN |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| | Approval of draft plan for consultation. |
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | January 2013 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | Statutory Consultation requirements. |
| Who can I contact for further | AndrewL.Smith@leicester.gov.uk |
| information or to make | |
| representations | |

6. A healthy and active city

| What is the Decision to be taken? | SOCIAL CARE SYSTEMS RE-TENDERING To approve award of contract following |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| | procurement exercise. |
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | December 2012 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | Not necessary. |
| Who can I contact for further | Jill.Craig@leicester.gov.uk |
| information or to make | |
| representations | |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | SERVICE PROVISION RE-DESIGN STRATEGY - Elderly Persons Homes and Intermediate Care To consider options for the future of the Elderly Persons Home (EPH) following the results of Soft Market Testing and the development of plans for Intermediate care. |
|--|--|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | Between 25 Nov 2012 and 28 Feb 2013 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | Consultation completed. |
| Who can I contact for further information or to make representations | Tracie.Rees@leicester.gov.uk |

| | STRATEGY - Consultation on Mobile Meals Service To consider options for the future of the Mobile Meals Service. |
|--|--|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor / Executive |
| When will they decide? | Between 25 Nov 2012 and 28 Feb 2013 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | Formal consultation will be required with all existing service users. |
| Who can I contact for further information or to make representations | Mercy.Lett-Charnock@leicester.gov.uk |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | SERVICE PROVISION RE-DESIGN STRATEGY Consultation on the re-design of External Day Care Services. |
|--|--|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | Between 25 Nov 2012 and 28 Feb 2013 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | Full consultation will be required with existing Service providers. |
| Who can I contact for further information or to make representations | Tracie.Rees@leicester.gov.uk |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | THE REVIEW OF THE ADULT SOCIAL CARE PREVENTATIVE SERVICES The re-design will inform future procurement activities and associated budget savings. Impact on VCS providers. |
|--|---|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor / Executive |
| When will they decide? | Between 25 Nov 2012 and 28 Feb 2013 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | Formal consultation will be required with existing Service Providers. |
| Who can I contact for further information or to make representations | Tracie.Rees@leicester.gov.uk |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE ACT (2012) AND LOCAL AUTHORITY RESPONSIBILITIES Response to proposed changes to the Health system. Outline plans being made between health and local authority for transition of duties. |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | Between 25 Nov 2012 and 28 Feb 2013 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | No. |
| Who can I contact for further | Deb.Watson@leicester.gov.uk |

| information or to make | |
|------------------------|--|
| representations | |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | HOMELESSNESS REVIEW AND STRATEGY To agree future Homelessness Services to be provided in house and voluntary sector. |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | Between 25 Nov 2012 and 28 Feb 2013 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | TBC – July 2012 |
| Who can I contact for further | Helen.McGarry@leicester.gov.uk |
| information or to make | |
| representations | |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | ELIGIBILITY THRESHOLDS |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| | Executive to agree threshold for ASC 2013/14. |
| | |
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | Between 25 Nov 2012 and 28 Feb 2013 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | Consultation required if threshold is changed. |
| Who can I contact for further | Ruth.Lake@leicester.gov.uk |
| information or to make | |
| representations | |

7. Getting about in Leicester

| What is the Decision to be taken? | PARKING ENFORCEMENT AND GENERAL ENFORCEMENT To consider in-house/outsourcing options and creation of a seamless enforcement services optionally including car parking enforcement. |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | Between 25 Nov 2012 and 28 Feb 2013 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | |
| Who can I contact for further | Andy.Thomas@leicester.gov.uk / |
| information or to make | Adrian.Russell@leicester.gov.uk |
| representations | |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | SUPPORTED BUS SERVICES BUDGET REDUCTION |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| | Decision on which services to retain and/or re- design and retain. |
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | Between 25 Nov 2012 and 28 Feb 2013 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | External consultation complete. |
| Who can I contact for further | Mark.Wills@leicester.gov.uk |
| information or to make | |
| representations | |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | AYLESTONE ROAD BUS CORRIDOR |
|--|---|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | Between 25 Nov 2012 and 28 Feb 2013 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | Public consultation started on 17 th September 2012. |
| Who can I contact for further information or to make representations | Mark.Wills@leicester.gov.uk |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | REAL TIME BUS INFORMATION Approve details of project and funding package. |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | Between 25 Nov 2012 and 28 Feb 2013 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | Bus User Panel |
| Who can I contact for further | Andrew.Thomas@leicester.gov.uk |
| information or to make | |
| representations | |

| What is the Decision to be taken? | ASHTON GREEN EMPLOYMENT LAND SALE AND ACCESS To approve funding for access road and land disposal. |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Who will decide? | City Mayor/Executive |
| When will they decide? | Between 25 Nov 2012 and 28 Feb 2013 |
| Who will be consulted and how? | Not applicable. |
| Who can I contact for further | Geoff.Mee@leicester.gov.uk |
| information or to make | |
| representations | |

8. People, leisure and culture

No key decisions are currently scheduled to be taken during this current period.