

Leicester City Council

PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS

On or after 1 March 2022

What is the plan of key decisions?

As required by legal regulations the Council publishes a document to show certain types of decision known as 'key decisions' that are intended to be taken by the Council's Executive (City Mayor, Deputy City Mayor and Assistant City Mayors). The legislation requires that this document is published 28 days before a decision contained in the document can be taken. This document by no means covers all the decisions which the Executive will be taking in the near future.

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

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.

Full details of the definition can be viewed at <https://www.leicester.gov.uk/your-council/how-we-work/plan-of-key-decisions/>

What information is included in the plan?

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

The plan is published on the Council's website.

Prior to the taking of each executive key decision, please note that the relevant decision notice and accompanying report will be published on the Council's website and can be found at

<http://www.cabinet.leicester.gov.uk/mgdelegateddecisions.aspx?bcr=1>

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1. A Fair City

No decisions due to be taken under this heading for the current period.

2. Homes for All

What is the Decision to be taken?	INCREASING THE SUPPLY OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING To consider the range of acquisition opportunities currently being explored by officers in order to increase the supply of Affordable Housing
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 1 Mar 2022
Who will be consulted and how?	
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Janet.Callan@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	PROPOSED ADDITIONS TO THE HOUSING CAPITAL PROGRAM Report will propose refurbishment of an empty block of flats at The Leys to provide general-needs accommodation, seeking approval to add the required funds to the Housing Capital Programme .
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 1 Mar 2022
Who will be consulted and how?	Ward councillors will be consulted by email and the Housing Division is preparing a Management Plan to consult with local residents/stakeholders living near to both proposed schemes before the schemes are occupied.
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Beverly.Wagstaffe@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	PROPOSED EXPANSION OF RESIDENTIAL CHILDREN'S HOMES
Who will decide?	Deputy City Mayor - Social Care and Anti-Poverty
When will they decide?	28 Feb 2022
Who will be consulted and how?	To approve expansion of our in-house children's residential home provision by converting existing council properties into two new children's homes, to accommodate 5 and 6 young people respectively, between the ages of 8 and 17 years. Public, stakeholder and planning application consultation carried out on each scheme as appropriate
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Mike.Evans@leicester.gov.uk and Liam.Mawhinney@leicester.gov.uk

3. Connecting Leicester

What is the Decision to be taken?	CONNECTING LEICESTER PHASED PROGRAMME Decision to approve funds to progress the next phases of Connecting Leicester to be funded from Council resources, external grant funding and Enterprise Zone investment.
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 1 Mar 2022
Who will be consulted and how?	Public, stakeholder and planning application consultation carried out on each scheme as appropriate
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Andrewl.Smith@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	PURCHASE OF SITE AT 22 MARKET PLACE To enable further improvement work to the public realm around the market place.
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 1 Mar 2022
Who will be consulted and how?	
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Lorna.simpson@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	CONNECTING LEICESTER, CANK ST LINK To approve the release of £4.8m of policy provision to enable the creation of a new public realm space between Cank St and Green Dragon Square.
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 1 Mar 2022
Who will be consulted and how?	
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Sean.atterbury@leicester.gov.uk

4. Sustainable Leicester

What is the Decision to be taken?	COMMERCIAL WORKSPACE INVESTMENT To approve opportunities to deliver/acquire commercial workspace to add to the Council's property portfolio, drawing on a combination of capital programme, external grant and investment funding sources.
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 1 Mar 2022
Who will be consulted and how?	None.
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Louise.Seymour@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	PURCHASE OF PROPERTY Purchase of property for strategic regeneration purposes
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 1 Mar 2022
Who will be consulted and how?	None

Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Matthew.Wallace@leicester.gov.uk
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What is the Decision to be taken?	DECISIONS ACTING AS ACCOUNTABLE BODY TO THE LLEP Decisions as a consequence of being the Accountable Body to the Leicester and Leicestershire Enterprise Partnership, as and when they arise
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 1 Mar 2022
Who will be consulted and how?	Proposals will have been subject to the LLEP governance processes
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Colin.Sharpe@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	NEW OPPORTUNITIES To approve the investment in new opportunities through the use of New Opportunities funding.
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 1 Mar 2022
Who will be consulted and how?	None.
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Matthew.Wallace@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	INVESTMENT PROPERTY To approve the purchase of investment property through use of Investment Property funding.
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 1 Mar 2022
Who will be consulted and how?	None
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Matthew.Wallace@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	TRANSFORMING DEPOTS To approve a programme of rationalisation, disposal and improvement of the Council's depots. Planned capital expenditure is expected to be funded from the proceeds of disposals.
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 1 Mar 2022
Who will be consulted and how?	No external consultation is required, as this relates to the Council's operational arrangements.
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Debbie.White@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING 2021/22 PERIOD 9 Decisions consequential to the monitoring of expenditure in 2021/22 (if any).
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 1 Mar 2022
Who will be consulted and how?	Overview Select Committee – 24 March 2022.
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Colin.Sharpe@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	CAPITAL MONITORING 2021/22 PERIOD 9 Decisions consequential to the monitoring of expenditure in 2021/22 (if any).
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 1 Mar 2022
Who will be consulted and how?	Overview Select Committee – 24 March 2022.
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Colin.Sharpe@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	REVENUE OUTTURN 2021/22 Decisions consequential to the monitoring of expenditure in 2021/22 (if any).
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 1 May 2022
Who will be consulted and how?	Overview Select Committee – date to be advised.

Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Colin.Sharpe@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	CAPITAL OUTTURN 2021/22
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 1 May 2022
Who will be consulted and how?	
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Colin.Sharpe@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2022/23 To recommend a capital programme to the Council.
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 1 Mar 2022
Who will be consulted and how?	Consultation with Scrutiny prior to the Council meeting.
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Colin.Sharpe@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET 2022/23 To recommend a revenue budget to the Council.
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 1 Mar 2022
Who will be consulted and how?	Consultation with Scrutiny prior to the Council meeting.
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Colin.Sharpe@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT 2022/23 BUDGET AND CAPITAL PROGRAMME To recommend a budget, rent level and capital programme to the Council.
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 1 Mar 2022

Who will be consulted and how?	Consultation with Housing Scrutiny, OSC and the Tenants' and Leaseholder's Forum prior to the Council meeting. Dates to be advised.
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Chris.Burgin@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	RECEIPT OF GRANT FROM EXTERNAL FUNDERS To accept external capital grant funding to deliver major regeneration and economic development projects, and to approve any Council match funding.
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 1 Mar 2022
Who will be consulted and how?	
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Louise.Seymour@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	NEW WAYS OF WORKING FIRST PHASE SAVINGS To confirm and approve the release of savings related to the first phase of the Council's new ways of working programme.
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 1 Mar 2022
Who will be consulted and how?	There has been ongoing engagement with staff and Trade Unions as the programme progresses and Overview Select Committee received an update on the programme in late 2021.
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	miranda.cannon@leicester.gov.uk

5. Health & Care

No decisions to be taken under this heading for the current period.

6. Lifelong Learning

What is the Decision to be taken?	ADDITIONAL SCHOOL PLACES To approve capital funding for additional school places
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 1 Mar 2022
Who will be consulted and how?	Schools
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Richard.Sword@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	INCREASING THE NUMBER OF SCHOOL PLACEMENTS FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS - DESIGNATED SPECIALIST PROVISIONS (DSPS) To create additional Designated Specialist Provisions in mainstream schools across the city to support pupils with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities.
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 1 Mar 2022
Who will be consulted and how?	
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Sophie.maltby@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	MAINSTREAM SCHOOL FUNDING FOR SEND Implementing a new funding model within the High Needs Block that will remove the additional SEND top up payments and increase the individual banded rates
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 1 Mar 2022
Who will be consulted and how?	Key stakeholders have been consulted.
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Sophie.maltby@leicester.gov.uk

7. A City to Enjoy

What is the Decision to be taken?	PHOENIX SQUARE - RECEIPT OF A BUILDING SAFETY GRANT This is to acknowledge the receipt of £7.7m of funding for the removal and replacement of the external wall cladding system to improve the fire safety of the building.
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 1 Mar 2022
Who will be consulted and how?	
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Sean.atterbury@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	LEICESTER SMART CITY STRATEGY To approve the adoption of a strategy that combines Leicester's digital, physical and social environment to deliver an inclusive, thriving and sustainable city for all
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 1 Mar 2022
Who will be consulted and how?	Extensive conversations have already taken place among council colleagues and external stakeholders. We will continue to engage with such stakeholders
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Richard.sword@leicester.gov.uk

8. A Safe and Inclusive City

No decisions due to be taken under this heading.