

Leicester City Council

PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS

On or after 1 January 2025

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>

Note:

Where a Key Decision appears on the Plan for the first time, it will be designated to be taken “NOT BEFORE” the 1st to 31st of the month to which the Plan pertains.

Where a Key Decision is a rollover item from a previous month, the decision-making window will show as the 1st of the month in which the Plan is issued, to the 31st of the month to which it pertains. This two-month window represents the fact that the Decision was on the previous months’ Plan and can therefore lawfully be taken within that wider window.

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1. Adult Social Care

No decisions are due to be taken under this heading.

2. City Development and Neighbourhoods

What is the Decision to be taken?	Energy Smart Initiatives in Council Buildings To approve a programme of work to retrofit the councils' operational buildings in order to reduce carbon and save money
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Not before 9 Jan 2025
Who will be consulted and how?	
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Joanne.Allen@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	Proposed Design & Urgent Maintenance at Gilroes Cemetery Decision to transfer £675,000 from the City Development and Neighbourhood feasibility budget for the design and urgent works at Gilroes Cemetery.
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Between 1 Jan 2025 and 28 Feb 2025
Who will be consulted and how?	
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	sam.law@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	Leicester Market Redevelopment To approve Leicester Market Redevelopment which will create a high quality retail environment for shoppers and traders and a flexible space for events.
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Between 1 Jan 2025 and 28 Feb 2025
Who will be consulted and how?	Public consultation on the proposed option runs from 28 October to 9 December 2024, with an EDTCE Scrutiny meeting on 6 November 2024. Details of the proposed scheme will be discussed with market trader representatives.
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	peter.chandler@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	Public Spaces Protection Order - City Centre To agree a new PSPO for the City Centre with powers to deal with street drinking rough
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	sleeping, begging, amplification, chugging, e-scooters and e-bikes.
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Between 1 Jan 2025 and 28 Feb 2025
Who will be consulted and how?	
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	nicola.odom@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	Public Spaces Protection Order - Outer City To agree a new PSPO for areas outside the city centre, with powers to deal with street drinking rough sleeping, begging, amplification, chugging, e-scooters and e-bikes.
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Between 1 Jan 2025 and 28 Feb 2025
Who will be consulted and how?	
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	nicola.odom@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	The Curve Facade Remedial Works To gain the necessary approval to undertake urgent remedial works to the Brise Soliel panel system installed on The Curve Façade
Who will decide?	City Mayor (Individual Decision)
When will they decide?	28 Nov 2024
Who will be consulted and how?	
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	tom.lomonte@leicester.gov.uk

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?	Between 1 Jan 2025 and 28 Feb 2025
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
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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?	Between 1 Jan 2025 and 28 Feb 2025
Who will be consulted and how?	None.
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Lauren.Tyrrell@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?	Between 1 Jan 2025 and 28 Feb 2025
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?	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?	Between 1 Jan 2025 and 28 Feb 2025
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?	Between 1 Jan 2025 and 28 Feb 2025
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?	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?	Between 1 Jan 2025 and 28 Feb 2025
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?	Making Space for Nature : Local Nature Recovery Strategy (LNRS) To approve the Local Nature Recovery Strategy
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Between 1 Jan 2025 and 28 Feb 2025
Who will be consulted and how?	Public Consultation January and Feb 2025. Final strategy approval mid-March 2025 and mid/late-June 2025. Final Strategy approval starting mid-March - 2nd July 2025. Public consultation District Authorities Stakeholders
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	anne.provan@leicester.gov.uk

3. Corporate Resources and Support

What is the Decision to be taken?	Decisions as a Legacy of Acting as Accountable Body to the LLEP Decisions as a consequence of having been the Accountable Body to the Leicester and
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	Leicestershire Enterprise Partnership.
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Between 1 Jan 2025 and 28 Feb 2025
Who will be consulted and how?	Key stakeholders as appropriate
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Mike.dalzell@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	General Revenue Fund Budget To approve a number of budget savings in advance of the 2025/26 budget.
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Between 1 Jan 2025 and 28 Feb 2025
Who will be consulted and how?	
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Amy.Oliver@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	Revenue Budget Monitoring Period 6 2024/25
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Between 1 Jan 2025 and 28 Feb 2025
Who will be consulted and how?	
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	kirsty.cowell@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	Capital Budget Monitoring Period 6 2024/25 Decisions consequential to the monitoring of expenditure in 2024/25 (if any).
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Between 1 Jan 2025 and 28 Feb 2025
Who will be consulted and how?	
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	kirsty.cowell@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	Revenue Budget Monitoring Period 9 2024/25 Decisions consequential to the monitoring of expenditure in 2024/25 (if any).
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Between 1 Jan 2025 and 28 Feb 2025
Who will be consulted and how?	

Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	kirsty.cowell@leicester.gov.uk
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Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Between 1 Jan 2025 and 28 Feb 2025
Who will be consulted and how?	
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	kirsty.cowell@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	Revenue Outturn 2024/25
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Between 1 Jan 2025 and 28 Feb 2025
Who will be consulted and how?	
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	kirsty.cowell@leicester.gov.uk

What is the Decision to be taken?	Capital Outturn 2024/25 Decisions consequential to the monitoring of expenditure in 2024/25 (if any).
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Between 1 Jan 2025 and 28 Feb 2025
Who will be consulted and how?	
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	kirsty.cowell@leicester.gov.uk

4. Education and Children's Services

What is the Decision to be taken?	Adventure Playgrounds: Phasing Out of Grant Funding Funding for adventure playgrounds will be phased out to create saving of up to £1,034k by the end of financial year 2025-26. In parallel adventure playgrounds will be supported to develop sustainable business plans and bid for funds from other awarding
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	bodies. To support the continuing operation and sustainability of the adventure playgrounds whilst they bid for grants and other sources of alternative funding, a one-off payment equivalent to 50% of the current annual grant previously provided will be made during April 2025
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Between 1 Jan 2025 and 28 Feb 2025
Who will be consulted and how?	
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	damian.elcock@leicester.gov.uk

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?	Between 1 Jan 2025 and 28 Feb 2025
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?	Between 1 Jan 2025 and 28 Feb 2025
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?	Post-16 Education Transport for Young People with SEND To decide upon proposed changes to the council's SEND Home to School and College Travel Policy and the Post-16 Transport Policy Statement. The proposed policies include
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	changes to the provision for young people with SEND including a potential withdrawal of discretionary support for those in post 16 education and above unless there are very limited exceptional circumstances.
Who will decide?	City Mayor/Executive
When will they decide?	Between 1 Jan 2025 and 28 Feb 2025
Who will be consulted and how?	Schools, parents, unions, young people, health services, citizens of Leicester
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Laurence.Jones@leicester.gov.uk

5. Housing

What is the Decision to be taken?	Affordable Housing at the Leys Decision to demolish the Leys Building, acquire land and build new affordable Council housing.
Who will decide?	City Mayor (Individual Decision)
When will they decide?	17 Dec 2024
Who will be consulted and how?	NA
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	beverly.wagstaffe@leicester.gov.uk

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?	Between 1 Jan 2025 and 28 Feb 2025
Who will be consulted and how?	
Who can I contact for further information or to make representations	Janet.Callan@leicester.gov.uk

6. Public Health

No decisions due to be taken under this heading.