



SOUTH  
KESTEVEN  
DISTRICT  
COUNCIL

**CABINET FORWARD PLAN**  
**Notice of decisions to be made by Cabinet**  
**23 June 2025 to 22 June 2026**

At its meetings, the Cabinet may make Key Decisions and Non-Key Decisions. It may also make recommendations to Council on matters relating to the Council's budget or its policy framework.

A Key Decision is a Cabinet decision that is likely:

1. To result in the District Council incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the District Council's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates (for these purposes, South Kesteven District Council has agreed £200,000 as the threshold at which a decision will be considered significant); or
2. To be significant in terms of its effects on communities that live or work in an area comprising two or more wards.

**The Forward Plan**

The Cabinet Forward Plan is a rolling, 12-month plan that will be updated on a regular basis. It includes those Key Decisions and Non-Key Decisions that are scheduled to be considered by Cabinet during the plan period.

Notice of future Cabinet decisions and recommendations to Council

Summary	Date	Action	Contact
<b>SKDC - Use of Pesticides – Non Key Decision</b>			
To consider a recommendation from a joint meeting of the Environment and Rural and Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committees following a Motion to Council to eliminate the use of pesticides on Council land.	8 Jul 2025	To consider approving recommendations from the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee.	Cabinet Member for Environment and Waste (Councillor Rhys Baker)  Karen Whitfield, Assistant Director – Leisure, Culture and Place <b>E-mail:</b> karen.whitfield@southkesteven.gov.uk
<b>Contract award for Gas and Electric Surveys - Key Decision</b>			
To approve the award of a contract for Gas and Electric Surveys	8 Jul 2025	Approve	Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Virginia Moran)  Andy Garner, Senior Project Officer <b>E-mail:</b> andy.garner@southkesteven.gov.uk
<b>Structural Surveys Contract Award - Key Decision</b>			
To approve the award of a contact for Structure Surveys	8 Jul 2025	Approve	Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Virginia Moran)  Andy Garner, Senior Project Officer <b>E-mail:</b> andy.garner@southkesteven.gov.uk
<b>Wharf Road Multi Storey Car Park Remedial Works - Key Decision</b>			
To obtain authority to enter in to a contract of works for remedial works at Wharf Road Multi Storey Car Park in Grantham	8 Jul 2025	Approval to enter in to a contract of works for remedial works at Wharf Road Multi Storey Car Park in Grantham	Cabinet Member for Property and Public Engagement (Councillor Richard Cleaver)  Gyles Teasdale, Head of Property and ICT <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:g.teasdale@southkesteven.gov.uk">g.teasdale@southkesteven.gov.uk</a>

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<b>Appoint a Member Responsible for Complaints - Non Key Decision</b>			
To approve the appointment of a Member Responsible for Complaints which is a requirement of paragraph 9.5 of the Ombudsman's Complaint Handling Code	8 Jul 2025	Approve a Member	<p>Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member for Finance, HR and Economic Development (Councillor Ashley Baxter)</p> <p>Alison Hall-Wright, Director of Housing and Projects  <b>E-mail:</b> A.Hall-Wright@southkesteven.gov.uk</p>
<b>Local Government Reorganisation (LGR) Update - Key Decision</b>			
An update on the latest position with LGR in light of the Interim Proposal Feedback letter	8 Jul 2025	<p>Note the latest position; the proposed timing and confirm the approach set out for the development of the full proposal.</p> <p>Approve the creation of a budget provision of £75,000 to fund necessary external support for the full proposal development.</p>	<p>Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member for Finance, HR and Economic Development (Councillor Ashley Baxter)</p> <p>Charles James, Policy Officer  <b>E-mail:</b> charles.james@southkesteven.gov.uk</p>

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<b>No. of Dogs on Leads- PSPO Consultation - Non Key Decision</b>			
To give due consideration to consultation responses received in November/ December 2024, which invited local people, animal welfare organisations and businesses (which provide services for dog owners), for their opinions on whether there is need for a Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) which would limit the number of dogs on leads that one person can walk at the same time.	8 Jul 2025	1. Notes the results of the public consultation on Public Spaces Protection Order consulted on.	Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Virginia Moran)  Ayeisha Kirkham, Head of Public Protection <b>E-mail:</b> ayeisha.kirkham@southkesteven.gov.uk
<b>Vehicle Procurement - Key Decision</b>			
To approve the Capital spend of over £200,000 for 2024/25 for street cleaning, refuse vehicles and vans, and other assorted vehicles.	9 Sep 2025	To approve the spend.	Cabinet Member for Environment and Waste (Councillor Rhys Baker)  Kay Boasman, Head of Waste Management and Market Services <b>E-mail:</b> kayleigh.boasman@southkesteven.gov.uk
<b>Mobility Vehicle Policy - Non Key Decision</b>			

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To present the Mobility Vehicle Policy to Cabinet having been recommended by the Housing Overview and Scrutiny Meeting held on 17 March 2025.	9 Sep 2025	To consider agreeing the Policy.	Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Virginia Moran)  Alison Hall-Wright, Director of Housing and Projects <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:A.Hall-Wright@southkesteven.gov.uk">A.Hall-Wright@southkesteven.gov.uk</a>
<b>Provisional Outturn 2024/2025 - Key Decision</b>			
This report provides Cabinet with the details of the Council's provisional outturn position for the financial year 2024/25. The report covers the following areas:  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General Fund Revenue Budget</li> <li>• Housing Revenue Account Budget</li> <li>• Capital Programmes – General Fund and Housing Revenue Account</li> <li>• Reserves overview – General Fund and Housing Revenue Account</li> </ul>	9 Sep 2025	Cabinet is asked to review and recommend for approval to Governance and Audit Committee the provisional outturn for 2024/25, reserve movements and budget carry forwards.	Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member for Finance, HR and Economic Development (Councillor Ashley Baxter)  David Scott, Assistant Director of Finance and Deputy Section 151 Officer <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:david.scott@southkesteven.gov.uk">david.scott@southkesteven.gov.uk</a>
<b>Customer Experience Strategy 2025 to 2028 - Key Decision</b>			
To present the Customer Experience Strategy 2025 to 2025 to Cabinet for recommendation to Council	9 Sep 2025	Recommendation to Council	Cabinet Member for People & Communities  Claire Moses, Head of Service (Revenues, Benefits, Customer Services and Community) <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:claire.moses@southkesteven.gov.uk">claire.moses@southkesteven.gov.uk</a>
<b>Lease to Grantham Town Football Club - Non Key Decision</b>			

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The granting of a lease and delegation of authority to the Deputy Chief Executive in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Culture and Leisure to enter into it	9 Sep 2025	To agree to enter into the lease.	Deputy Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member for Leisure and Culture (Councillor Paul Stokes)  Karen Whitfield, Assistant Director – Leisure, Culture and Place <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:karen.whitfield@southkesteven.gov.uk">karen.whitfield@southkesteven.gov.uk</a>
<b>Contract Award for Wellington Way New Build Scheme (11 units) - Key Decision</b>			
To award contract to.... for Wellington Way scheme.	9 Sep 2025	Cabinet to approve contract award to....	Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Virginia Moran)  Suniel Pillai, New Build Project Officer <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:suniel.pillai@southkesteven.gov.uk">suniel.pillai@southkesteven.gov.uk</a>
<b>Finance Update Report – April to July 2025 - Key Decision</b>			
To present the Council's year end forecast for the financial year 2025/26 as at the end of July. The report covers the General Fund Revenue Budget, the Housing Revenue Account Budget, and the Capital Programmes for the General Fund and Housing Revenue Account	9 Sep 2025	Notes the report	Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member for Finance, HR and Economic Development (Councillor Ashley Baxter)  David Scott, Assistant Director of Finance and Deputy Section 151 Officer <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:david.scott@southkesteven.gov.uk">david.scott@southkesteven.gov.uk</a>
<b>Corporate Asset Management Strategy Review - Key Decision</b>			

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To review and update the Corporate asset Management Strategy 2022-2027, ensuring the strategy is in accordance with SKDC current priorities and objectives.	7 Oct 2025	Approval to the adoption of the updated Corporate Asset Management Strategy 2022-2027 (as amended Sept 2025)	Cabinet Member for Property and Public Engagement (Councillor Richard Cleaver)  Gyles Teasdale, Head of Property and ICT <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:g.teasdale@southkesteven.gov.uk">g.teasdale@southkesteven.gov.uk</a>
<b>Facilities Management Contract - Key Decision</b>			
To obtain authority to enter in to the recently tendered Facilities Management Contract for SKDC's Corporate Assets.	4 Nov 2025	To provide authority to enter into the recently tendered Facilities Management Contract for SKDC's Corporate Assets.	Cabinet Member for Property and Public Engagement (Councillor Richard Cleaver)  Gyles Teasdale, Head of Property and ICT <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:g.teasdale@southkesteven.gov.uk">g.teasdale@southkesteven.gov.uk</a>
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To present the Council's year end forecast for the financial year 2024/25 as at the end of September. The report covers the General Fund Revenue Budget, the Housing Revenue Account Budget, and the Capital Programmes for the General Fund and Housing Revenue Account	2 Dec 2025	Notes the report	Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member for Finance, HR and Economic Development (Councillor Ashley Baxter)  David Scott, Assistant Director of Finance and Deputy Section 151 Officer <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:david.scott@southkesteven.gov.uk">david.scott@southkesteven.gov.uk</a>
<b>Discretionary Council Tax Payment Policy 2026/27 - Non Key Decision</b>			
To provide an update on Discretionary Council Tax Payment (DCTP) expenditure and requests Cabinet approves the policy for 2026/27.	2 Dec 2025	Approval	Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member for Finance, HR and Economic Development (Councillor Ashley Baxter)  Claire Moses, Head of Service (Revenues, Benefits, Customer Services and Community) <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:claire.moses@southkesteven.gov.uk">claire.moses@southkesteven.gov.uk</a>

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<b>Discretionary Housing Payment Policy 2026/27 - Non Key Decision</b>			
To provide an update on Discretionary Housing Payment (DHP) expenditure and requests Cabinet to approve the policy for 2026/27.	2 Dec 2025	Approval	<p>Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member for Finance, HR and Economic Development (Councillor Ashley Baxter)</p> <p>Claire Moses, Head of Service (Revenues, Benefits, Customer Services and Community)  <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:claire.moses@southkesteven.gov.uk">claire.moses@southkesteven.gov.uk</a></p>
<b>Council Tax Base 2026/27 - Key Decision</b>			
To explain the Council Tax Base for 2025/26 in accordance with relevant statutory requirements	2 Dec 2025	Recommendation to Council	<p>Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member for Finance, HR and Economic Development (Councillor Ashley Baxter)</p> <p>Claire Moses, Head of Service (Revenues, Benefits, Customer Services and Community)  <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:claire.moses@southkesteven.gov.uk">claire.moses@southkesteven.gov.uk</a></p>
<b>Budget Report for 2026/2027 including Indicative Budgets for 2027/2028 and 2028/2029 - Key Decision</b>			
To present the Budget report.	15 Jan 2026  10 Feb 2026	To present the Budget report at a number of committees in the lead up to the Budget Council in February 2026.	<p>Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member for Finance, HR and Economic Development (Councillor Ashley Baxter)</p> <p>Richard Wyles, Deputy Chief Executive and Section 151 Officer  <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:r.wyles@southkesteven.gov.uk">r.wyles@southkesteven.gov.uk</a></p>



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<b>Localised Council Tax Support Scheme 2026/27 - Key Decision</b>			
This report reviews the responses to the public consultation of the Council's Local Council Tax Support Scheme 2026/27, along with the recommendations from the meeting of the Finance and Economic Overview and Scrutiny Committee which took place on 18 November 2025.	15 Jan 2026	Recommendation to Council	<p>Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member for Finance, HR and Economic Development (Councillor Ashley Baxter)</p> <p>Claire Moses, Head of Service (Revenues, Benefits, Customer Services and Community)  <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:claire.moses@southkesteven.gov.uk">claire.moses@southkesteven.gov.uk</a></p>
<b>Fees and Charges Proposals 2026/27 - Key Decision</b>			
To set out the Fees and Charges to be introduced for the financial year 2026/27	15 Jan 2026	Cabinet is asked to Recommend to Council the Fees and Charges for 2026/27	<p>Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member for Finance, HR and Economic Development (Councillor Ashley Baxter)</p> <p>David Scott, Assistant Director of Finance and Deputy Section 151 Officer  <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:david.scott@southkesteven.gov.uk">david.scott@southkesteven.gov.uk</a></p>
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