



SOUTH
KESTEVEN
DISTRICT
COUNCIL

CABINET FORWARD PLAN
Notice of decisions to be made by Cabinet
30 December 2025 to 29 December 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
Budget Report for 2026/2027 including Indicative Budgets for 2027/2028 and 2028/2029 - Key Decision			
To present the Budget report.	15 Jan 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>David Scott, Assistant Director of Finance and Deputy Section 151 Officer E-mail: david.scott@southkesteven.gov.uk</p>
Contract Award for New Build Housing Scheme at Toller Court, Horbling - Key Decision			
To consider awarding a contract for the Toller Court scheme	15 Jan 2026	To consider awarding the contract.	<p>Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Virginia Moran)</p> <p>Megan White, Project Support Officer E-mail: megan.white@southkesteven.gov.uk</p>
Localised Council Tax Support Scheme 2026/27 - Key Decision			
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	To consider recommending 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) E-mail: claire.moses@southkesteven.gov.uk</p>

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Fees and Charges Proposals 2026/27 - Key Decision			
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 E-mail: david.scott@southkesteven.gov.uk</p>
Contract Award for Fire Alarm System - Key Decision			
To award a contract for the installation of Fire Alarm System	15 Jan 2026	The consider approving the contract award.	<p>Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Virginia Moran)</p> <p>Phil Swinton, Emergency Planning and Health & Safety Lead E-mail: phil.swinton@southkesteven.gov.uk</p>
Contract Award for Fire Compartmentation Works - Key Decision			
To approve the award of a contract for Fire Compartmentation woks in the Council's Housing Stock	15 Jan 2026	To consider approving the contract award.	<p>Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Virginia Moran)</p> <p>Andy Garner, Senior Project Officer E-mail: andy.garner@southkesteven.gov.uk</p>
Local Development Scheme – Non Key Decision			
The report is to cover a general Local Plan update and a revision to the Local Development Scheme	15 Jan 2026	To consider amending the Local Development Scheme and update information on the website	<p>Cabinet Member for Planning (Councillor Phil Dilks)</p> <p>Jessica Morris, Emma Whittaker, Assistant Director (Planning & Growth) E-mail: jessica.morris@southkesteven.gov.uk, emma.whittaker@southkesteven.gov.uk</p>

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Corporate Enforcement Policy - Non Key Decision			
To approve a new Corporate Enforcement Policy.	15 Jan 2026	To consider approving the Policy.	Cabinet Member for Corporate Governance and Licensing (Councillor Philip Knowles) Ayeisha Kirkham, Head of Public Protection E-mail: ayeisha.kirkham@southkesteven.gov.uk
Tree Management Policies for South Kesteven - Non Key Decision			
To present the results of analysis and modelling on the potential costs associated with changing the Council's approach to managing tree related risk, through the adoption of the updated Tree Management Policies.	15 Jan 2026	To consider approving the policies.	Cabinet Member for Environment and Waste (Councillor Rhys Baker) Serena Brown, Sustainability and Climate Change Manager, Andrew Igoea, Tree Project Officer E-mail: serena.brown@southkesteven.gov.uk , andrew.igoea@southkesteven.gov.uk
Facilities Management Contract - Key Decision			
To obtain authority to enter into the recently tendered Facilities Management Contract for SKDC's Corporate Assets.	10 Feb 2026	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 E-mail: g.teasdale@southkesteven.gov.uk
Updated Tenancy Agreement - Key Decision			
To approve the updated Tenancy Agreement for tenants living in Council Owned Houses	10 Feb 2026	To consider approving the agreement.	Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Virginia Moran) Celia Bown, Senior Housing and Policy Strategy Officer E-mail: c.bown@southkesteven.gov.uk

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Voids Policy - Non Key Decision			
To consider recommending the Policy to Cabinet.	10 Feb 2026	To recommend a Policy to Cabinet.	Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Virginia Moran) Mark Rogers, Head of Service (Technical Services) E-mail: mark.rogers@southkesteven.gov.uk
Housing Asset Management Strategy - Non Key Decision			
To consider recommending the Strategy to Cabinet.	10 Feb 2026	To recommend the Strategy to Cabinet.	Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Virginia Moran) Mark Rogers, Head of Service (Technical Services) E-mail: mark.rogers@southkesteven.gov.uk
Biodiversity Action Plan for South Kesteven - Non Key Decision			
To present the South Kesteven Biodiversity Action Plan.	10 Feb 2026	To consider agreeing the Plan.	Cabinet Member for Environment and Waste (Councillor Rhys Baker) Serena Brown, Sustainability and Climate Change Manager, Louise Case, Sustainability Project Support Officer E-mail: serena.brown@southkesteven.gov.uk, louise.case@southkesteven.gov.uk
Funding to strengthen South Kesteven District Council's cyber resilience - Key Decision			
MHCLG is supporting councils to strengthen their cyber resilience. A key element of this is the Cyber Assessment Framework (CAF) for local government, which helps councils to assess and improve their cyber resilience.	10 Feb 2026	To approve acceptance of grant funding from MHCLG for strengthening of our cyber resilience.	Cabinet Member for Property and Public Engagement (Councillor Richard Cleaver) Gary Andrew, IT Services Manager E-mail: g.andrew@Southkesteven.gov.uk

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Budget Report for 2026/27 including Indicative Budgets for 2027/2028 and 2028/2029 - Key Decision			
To present the budget report.	10 Feb 2026	To recommend the Budget to Full Council.	<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 E-mail: r.wyles@southkesteven.gov.uk</p>
Climate Action Plan for South Kesteven - Key Decision			
To present to the Cabinet the Climate Action Plan for South Kesteven.	10 Feb 2026	To consider agreeing the Plan.	<p>Cabinet Member for Environment and Waste (Councillor Rhys Baker)</p> <p>Serena Brown, Sustainability and Climate Change Manager E-mail: serena.brown@southkesteven.gov.uk</p>
Voice of the Tenant Strategy - Non Key Decision			
To seek approval of the Strategy.	10 Feb 2026	Approve the strategy	<p>Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Virginia Moran)</p> <p>Sarah McQueen, Head of Service (Housing Options) E-mail: sarah.mcqueen@southkesteven.gov.uk</p>
Award of Contract for Christmas Lights - Key Decision			
To award the contract for the Christmas lights in Grantham	10 Feb 2026	Approve the award of contract	<p>Deputy Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member for Leisure and Culture (Councillor Paul Stokes)</p> <p>Karen Whitfield, Assistant Director (Leisure, Culture and Place) E-mail: karen.whitfield@southkesteven.gov.uk</p>

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Waste Policy Update - Non Key Decision			
To update Cabinet on changes to the Waste Policy, this includes changes to start times and the addition of food waste.	10 Feb 2026	Review and provide comments on the updated version of the Waste Policy and recommend that the Policy is progressed to Council.	Cabinet Member for Environment and Waste (Councillor Rhys Baker) Kay Boasman, Head of Waste Management and Market Services E-mail: kayleigh.boasman@southkesteven.gov.uk
Repairs and Voids Materials Contract - Key Decision			
To seek approval to enter into a new contract with a supplier of materials for our internal works teams.	10 Feb 2026	To seek approval to enter into a new contract with a supplier of materials for our internal works teams.	Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Virginia Moran) Mark Rogers, Head of Service (Technical Services) E-mail: mark.rogers@southkesteven.gov.uk
Grantham Canal Safe Access and Water Level Control Works - Key Decision			
The report's purpose is to seek approval for the appointment of a contractor to carry out the safe access and water level control works	10 Feb 2026	Approval requested by Cabinet to appoint successful contracting company following tender for works	Cabinet Member for Property and Public Engagement (Councillor Richard Cleaver) Peter Withers, Interim Senior Assets Officer E-mail: peter.withers@southkesteven.gov.uk
Finance Update Report – April to December 2025 - Key Decision			
To present the Council's year end forecast for the financial year 2025/26 as at the end of December. 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	10 Feb 2026	To review and note 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 E-mail: david.scott@southkesteven.gov.uk

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Sport and Physical Activity Strategy - Key Decision			
To provide a refreshed Sport and Physical Activity Strategy for 2026-2031.	10 Mar 2026	To consider approving the draft Sport and Physical Activity Strategy 2026-2031	Deputy Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member for Leisure and Culture (Councillor Paul Stokes) Bethany Goodman, Physical Activity and Wellbeing Lead E-mail: bethany.goodman@southkesteven.gov.uk
Street Trading Policy - Non Key Decision			
This report proposes updates to the existing Street Trading Policy which includes feedback from Licensing Committee and the Environment and Rural & Communities OSC following consideration of the proposed updates	10 Mar 2026	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cabinet considers the draft South Kesteven District Council Street Trading Policy and agrees it, with or without amendments 2. Cabinet confirm which streets are to be considered consent streets <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Specific streets as outlined in the proposed draft Street Trading Policy (b) To mirror the Public Space Protection Orders (Alcohol Control) areas 	Cabinet Member for Corporate Governance and Licensing (Councillor Philip Knowles) Ayeisha Kirkham, Head of Public Protection E-mail: ayeisha.kirkham@southkesteven.gov.uk