



SOUTH
KESTEVEN
DISTRICT
COUNCIL

CABINET FORWARD PLAN
Notice of decisions to be made by Cabinet
21 January 2026 to 20 January 2027

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 |
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| Budget Report for 2026/2027 including indicative Budgets for 2027/2028 and 2028/2029 - General Fund - Key Decision | | | |
| To consider the draft Budget proposals and estimates for 2026/2027 for the General Fund. | 10 Feb 2026 | Consider recommendation to Council. | <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> |
| Budget Report for 2026/2027 including indicative Budgets for 2027/2028 and 2028/2029 - Housing Revenue Account (HRA) - Key Decision | | | |
| Budget Report for 2026/2027 including indicative Budgets for 2027/2028 and 2028/2029 - HRA | 10 Feb 2026 | Consider recommendation to Council. | <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> |
| Void Policy – Non Key Decision | | | |
| To consider recommending the Policy to Cabinet. | 10 Feb 2026 | To recommend a Policy to Cabinet. | <p>Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Virginia Moran)</p> <p>Mark Rogers, Head of Service (Technical Services) E-mail: mark.rogers@southkesteven.gov.uk</p> |

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| 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 |
| 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 | Deputy Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member for Leisure and Culture (Councillor Paul Stokes) Karen Whitfield, Assistant Director (Leisure, Culture and Place) E-mail: karen.whitfield@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 |
| 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 |

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| Facilities Management Contract - Key Decision | | | |
| To obtain authority to enter in to the recently tendered Facilities Management Contract for SKDC's Corporate Assets. | 10 Feb 2026 | To provide authority to enter in to 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 |
| Acceptance of funding from the Local Digital Cyber Team - Key Decision | | | |
| This report recommends the acceptance of £200,000 from the Local Digital Cyber Team to support our continued progress against the Cyber Assessment Framework (CAF) for local government. | 10 Feb 2026 | Approve acceptance of funding | Cabinet Member for Property and Public Engagement (Councillor Richard Cleaver) Gary Andrew, IT Services Manager E-mail: g.andrew@Southkesteven.gov.uk |
| Tenancy Strategy - Non Key Decision | | | |
| Seek approval. | 10 Mar 2026 | Approve the strategy | Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Virginia Moran) Sarah McQueen, Head of Service (Housing Options) E-mail: sarah.mcqueen@southkesteven.gov.uk |
| 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 |

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| 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 | <p>Cabinet Member for Corporate Governance and Licensing (Councillor Philip Knowles)</p> <p>Ayeisha Kirkham, Head of Public Protection E-mail: ayeisha.kirkham@southkesteven.gov.uk</p> |
| 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 Mar 2026 | To review and note the report. | <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> |

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| Biodiversity Action Plan for South Kesteven - Non Key Decision | | | |
| To present the South Kesteven Biodiversity Action Plan. | 10 Mar 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, Louise Case, Sustainability Project Support Officer</p> <p>E-mail: serena.brown@southkesteven.gov.uk, louise.case@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 Mar 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</p> <p>E-mail: serena.brown@southkesteven.gov.uk</p> |
| Contract Award for Microsoft Software Agreement - Key Decision | | | |
| Award of contract for renewal of Microsoft Software Agreement for 3 years | 10 Mar 2026 | To approve the contract award | <p>Cabinet Member for Property and Public Engagement (Councillor Richard Cleaver)</p> <p>Gary Andrew, IT Services Manager</p> <p>E-mail: g.andrew@Southkesteven.gov.uk</p> |
| 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. | 7 Apr 2026 | To seek approval to enter into a new contract with a supplier of materials for our internal works teams. | <p>Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Virginia Moran)</p> <p>Mark Rogers, Head of Service (Technical Services)</p> <p>E-mail: mark.rogers@southkesteven.gov.uk</p> |