



SOUTH
KESTEVEN
DISTRICT
COUNCIL

CABINET FORWARD PLAN
Notice of decisions to be made by Cabinet
20 November 2025 to 19 November 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
Local Government Reorganisation - Key Decision			
To consider the final LGR proposal for submission to government.	24 Nov 2025	To approve the LGR proposal, as appended to this report, for submission to government by 28 November 2025.	<p>Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member for Finance, HR and Economic Development (Councillor Ashley Baxter)</p> <p>Charles James, Policy Officer E-mail: charles.james@southkesteven.gov.uk</p>
3G Pitch Funding Contribution - Key Decision			
To agree a contribution as match funding to support a bid to the Football Foundation to provide a 3G football pitch in the Deepings	2 Dec 2025	Approval to commit match funding contribution	<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>
Discretionary Payment Policies 2026/27 – Non-Key Decision			
To provide an update on Discretionary Housing Payment (DHP) expenditure and requests Cabinet to approve the policy for 2026/27.	2 Dec 2025	To consider approving the Policy.	<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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Council Tax Base 2026/27 - Key Decision			
To explain the Council Tax Base for 2025/26 in accordance with relevant statutory requirements	2 Dec 2025	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>
Facilities Management Contract - Key Decision			
To obtain authority to enter in to the recently tendered Facilities Management Contract for SKDC's Corporate Assets.	15 Jan 2026	To provide authority to enter in to the recently tendered Facilities Management Contract for SKDC's Corporate Assets.	<p>Cabinet Member for Property and Public Engagement (Councillor Richard Cleaver)</p> <p>Gyles Teasdale, Head of Property and ICT E-mail: g.teasdale@southkesteven.gov.uk</p>
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>Richard Wyles, Deputy Chief Executive and Section 151 Officer E-mail: r.wyles@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>

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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.	15 Jan 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
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.	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) E-mail: claire.moses@southkesteven.gov.uk
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	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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Biodiversity Action Plan for South Kesteven – Non-Key Decisions			
To present the South Kesteven Biodiversity Action Plan.	15 Jan 2026	Cabinet is requested to adopt the finalised South Kesteven Biodiversity Action 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
Climate Action Plan for South Kesteven - Key Decision			
To present to the Cabinet the Climate Action Plan for South Kesteven.	15 Jan 2026	Cabinet is requested to approve the adoption of the final Climate Action Plan.	Cabinet Member for Environment and Waste (Councillor Rhys Baker) Serena Brown, Sustainability and Climate Change Manager E-mail: serena.brown@southkesteven.gov.uk
Contract Award for Fire Alarm System - Key Decision			
To award a contract for the installation of Fire Alarm System	15 Jan 2026	To consider approving the contract award	Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Virginia Moran) Phil Swinton, Emergency Planning and Health & Safety Lead E-mail: phil.swinton@southkesteven.gov.uk
Contract Award for Fire Compartmentation Works - Key Decision			
To approve the award of a contract for Fire Compartmentation works in the Council's Housing Stock	15 Jan 2026	To consider approving the contract award	Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Virginia Moran) Andy Garner, Senior Project Officer E-mail: andy.garner@southkesteven.gov.uk

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Updated Tenancy Agreement - Key Decision			
To approve the updated Tenancy Agreement for tenants living in Council Owned Houses	15 Jan 2026	To consider approving the updated Tenancy Agreement	Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Virginia Moran) Celia Bown, Senior Housing and Policy Strategy Officer E-mail: c.bown@southkesteven.gov.uk
Corporate Enforcement Policy – Non-Key Decision			
To approve a new Corporate Enforcement Policy.	15 Jan 2026	To consider approving the new Corporate Enforcement Policy	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 adopting the updated Tree Management 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
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 present the Budget report at a number of committees in the lead up to the Budget Council in February 2026.	Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member for Finance, HR and Economic Development (Councillor Ashley Baxter) Richard Wyles, Deputy Chief Executive and Section 151 Officer E-mail: r.wyles@southkesteven.gov.uk

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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