
SUMMARY OF CABINET / CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS

WEEK COMMENCING 23 March 2026

**CALL IN FOR THESE DECISION ENDS
9.00 A.M. ON Thursday 2 April 2026**

Public Business

- Denotes items that have been referred to Audit and Procurement Committee.
- # Denotes items that are to be referred to Council. Accordingly Call-in does not apply.
- ◆ Denotes a matter where the associated report has already been considered by the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee or a Scrutiny Board. Where this body has endorsed the recommendations or made recommendations that have been accepted by the Cabinet/Cabinet Member Call-in does not apply.
- * Denotes other items that have been referred to, or considered by, the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee or a specific Scrutiny Board.
- Split recommendations. Please see note at foot of item for details of the recommendations that are not subject to call-in.

Note: The Limitations on Call-in are set out at the end of this sheet.

Cabinet Member for Policing and Equalities – Monday 23 March 2026

Report 4 Elected Members Training and Development Strategy 2026-30

Recommendations:

The Cabinet Member for Policing and Equalities is requested to:

- 1) Recommend that Council approve the refreshed Elected Members Training and Development Strategy as appended to the report
- 2) Recommend that Council approve the proposals for core training for Elected Members as identified in Section 3 of the report.

The above recommendations were approved

Report 5 Proposed Amendments to the Constitution – Various

Recommendations:

The Cabinet Member for Policing and Equalities is requested to recommend that Council approves: -

- 1) That the following paragraphs be inserted into Parts 1 and 2 of the Constitution: -

Main Opposition Group and Leader of the Main Opposition Group.

The Main Opposition Group is the Political Group that has the numerically largest opposition Group. The Leader of that Group is the Leader of the Main Opposition Group. In the event of there being more than one Group having the same numerically largest number of seats, all of those Groups will be afforded the same rights.

Shadow Cabinet Members

The Leader of the Main Opposition Group will be entitled to nominate Councillors to act as Shadow Cabinet Members. Shadow Cabinet Members have no decision-making powers but will be entitled to attend meetings in their role and speak at the discretion of the Cabinet Member. They will also be entitled to receive briefings in relation to their Shadow Portfolio.

- 2) The amendments to the Member Officer Protocol (Part 4D of the Constitution) as shown as tracked changes in the Appendix to this report.
- 3) That Paragraph 4.1 in Part 2D of the Constitution in relation to membership of the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee and Scrutiny Boards be amended to read as follows.

4.1 Councillors, except a member of the Cabinet, may be appointed as a member of a Scrutiny Board and the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee. However, in order to ensure that no Member may be involved in scrutinising a decision in which they have been directly involved, no former Cabinet Member may sit on the Scrutiny Board relevant to the portfolio they held as a Cabinet Member or the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee (if it relates to their former portfolio) for a period of 12 months. In addition, any Member who is appointed as a Deputy Cabinet Member may not be appointed to the Scrutiny Board or Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee which is relevant to the portfolio for which they have been appointed as a Deputy Cabinet Member.

- 4) That Paragraph 10.1.3 in Part 1 of the Constitution be amended to read as follows: -

10.1.3 The office of Lord Mayor and Deputy Lord Mayor will be offered to the Councillor who has the longest

service and has not previously held the office. If that Councillor declines that offer, then it is offered to the next person in order of length of service. Any Councillor who declines the offer may take up the offer in a subsequent year.

- 5) That the following Paragraph be inserted into the Council Procedure Rules (Part 3A of the Constitution) :-

9.11 Every Motion made in pursuance of a Notice of Motion must be lawful and will be regarded as tentative only until this has been confirmed by the Monitoring Officer. If the Motion is considered to be unlawful, the Monitoring Officer will submit a report on this matter to the next meeting of Council. No action may be taken on the matter until the Council has considered the advice of the Monitoring Officer.

- 6) That the Director of Law, Governance and Safer Communities be delegated authority to determine all matters relating to street naming and numbering, including the naming and renaming of streets and the allocation of property numbers, following consultation with the relevant Ward Councillors and relevant Cabinet Member and that the Scheme of Delegation (Part 2M of the Constitution) be updated accordingly.

The above recommendations were approved

Report 6 Proposed Amendments to the Constitution – Contract and Finance Procedure Rules

Recommendations

The Cabinet Member for Policing and Equalities is requested to:-

- 1) Recommend that Council approves the proposed amendments to the Contract Procedure Rules, Part 3G of the Constitution as detailed in Appendix A to the report and delegates authority to the Director of Law, Governance and Safer Communities to make the necessary amendments to the Constitution.
- 2) Recommend that Council approves the proposed amendments to the Financial Procedure Rules, Part 3F of the Constitution as detailed in Appendix B to the report and delegates authority to the Director of Law, Governance and Safer Communities to make the necessary amendments to the Constitution.

The above recommendations were approved

Limitations on Call-in

A call-in will normally be regarded as appropriate UNLESS:-

1. It falls within paragraph 18 of the Scrutiny rules (Part 3E of the Constitution) – ie. it relates to:-
 - (i) a matter which is to be determined by the Council.
 - (ii) a decision of the Cabinet/Cabinet Member taken as a matter of urgency and the Chair of the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee (or his/her nominee) had been invited to attend the meeting where the urgent decision had been taken or the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee has previously agreed the need for urgency.
 - (iii) a decision made by an employee exercising delegated authority.
 - (iv) decisions of the Licensing and Regulatory Committee.
 - (v) decisions of the Planning Committee.
 - (vi) decisions of the Appeals and Appointments Panels.
 - (vii) decisions of the Audit and Procurement Committee.
 - (viii) a matter where the associated report has already been considered by the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee or a Scrutiny Board who have endorsed the recommendations or made recommendations that have been accepted by the Cabinet/Cabinet Member.
2. The call-in form is not completed correctly.
3. The call-in form is received after the specified time.
4. The reason for the call-in is unclear or does not relate directly to the decision specified on the call-in form.
5. The reason for the call-in is a question, the answer to which can be found in the report relating to the decision which is being called in.