## **EXAMPLE PLAN - Forward Plan - 1 November onwards**FOR THE PERIOD 1 DECEMBER 2023 TO 31 MARCH 2024

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Local Flood Risk Management Strategy 2023 The Council, as Lead Local Flood Authority, has a legal duty under the Flood and Water Management Act 2010 to produce, implement and monitor a Local Flood Risk Management Strategy (Local Strategy). Council's original strategy was published in 2013, a summary refresh was made in 2019 to provide an up-to-date evidence base to support the measures identified in the current Action Plan.  The Local Strategy summarises the duties, responsibilities and actions that the Council will embrace to manage local sources	Cabinet	16 Jan 2024	Engagement via workshops have taken place at the very beginning prior to drafting the strategy so key stakeholders can help shape the new strategy from the outset.  Internal workshops have taken place with	Open		Portfolio Holder for Finance & Regeneration Paul Farndale
of flood risk. It must align with the National Strategy produced by the Environment Agency.  A revised National Strategy was published in July 2020 and was formally adopted by government in September 2020. This strategy describes what needs to be done by all risk management authorities (RMAs) involved in flood and coastal erosion risk			internal services such as Planning, Highways, Climate Change and Emergency Planning colleagues. An external			

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management for the benefit of people and places.  This has been a key driver to reviewing our current Local Flood Risk Management Strategy in ensuring alignment with the National Strategy.			workshop has taken place with Yorkshire Water, Environment Agency, and key partners such as the National Trust and many others.  Periodic updates have been given to the Portfolio Holders.			
			A public consultation exercise will be undertaken on the new strategy and its associated documents. A survey will be set up to encourage residents to express their thoughts and opinions.			

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			All Members and Parish Councillors will be directed to the draft documents for comments. A separate workshop is intended to be set up with local flood community groups.  A summary Consultation Report will be prepared to capture comments received.			
Bereavement Services Capital Plan Update and proposed allocations for 2023/24  The report will update Cabinet on progress to date against Bereavement Services Capital Plan as well as seek approval to future investment for 2023/24 and to seek Officer Delegations to manage the plan.	Strategic Director for Environment and Climate Change	27 Jun 2023		Open	DOCUMENTS	Portfolio Holder for Corporate, Portfolio Holder for Culture and Greener Kirklees Paul Hawkins paul.hawkins@kirklees.gov.uk

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Corporate Financial Monitoring Report - Quarter 3 for 2023-24 To consider the third quarter Revenue & Capital Monitoring forecast and to consider any specific recommendations on the application of resources in- year, including movements to and from reserves, as required by financial procedure rules.	Cabinet	12 Mar 2024		Open		Portfolio Holder for Corporate Sarah Hill, Finance Manager sarahm.hill @kirklees.gov.uk
Council Annual Budget Report 2024-25 and following years; incorporating Capital, Treasury Management, General Fund, Revenue and Housing Revenue Account To provide the necessary financial information to enable the Council's Revenue Budget, Capital Programme & Housing Revenue Account to be set in accordance with agreed treasury management principles.	Cabinet, Council	6 Mar 2024		Open		Portfolio Holder for Corporate Dean Langton, Service Director Finance (S151 Officer) dean.langton@kirklees.gov.uk, James Anderson, Head of Accountancy james.anderson@kirklees.gov.uk, Sarah Hill, Finance Manager sarahm.hill@kirklees.gov.uk
Kirklees School Funding Arrangements for Financial Year 2024-25 To consider the Kirklees schools funding formula for 2024-25 to be submitted to the Education & Skills Funding Agency.	Cabinet	16 Jan 2024		Open		Portfolio Holder for Learning & Aspiration, Portfolio Holder for Corporate David Baxter david.baster@kirklees.gov.uk

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Rent & service charge setting for Housing Revenue Account properties for 2024-25 To consider and approve the rent setting policy for 2022-23 in relation to Housing Revenue Account Properties.	Cabinet	12 Dec 2023		Open		Portfolio Holder for Corporate Naz Parkar, Service Director - Homes & Neighbourhoodssing naz.parkar@kirklees.gov.uk
Half yearly monitoring report on Treasury Management Activities 2023-24 To consider the treasury management activities for the period 1 April to 30 September 2023.	Cabinet, Council	13 Dec 2023		Open		Portfolio Holder for Corporate Rachel Firth rachel.firth@kirklees.gov.uk
Corporate Financial Monitoring Report; Quarter 2 for 2023-24 To consider the second quarter Revenue & Capital Monitoring forecast and to consider any specific recommendations on the application of resources in- year, including movements to and from reserves, as required by financial procedure rules.	Cabinet	14 Nov 2023		Open		Portfolio Holder for Corporate Sarah Hill, Finance Manager sarahm.hill@kirklees.gov.uk
Asset Review To establish working principles, and to bring forward a holistic asset review considering the optimisation, rationalisation, mothball, closure, and disposal of	Cabinet	14 Nov 2023		Open		Portfolio Holder for Finance & Regeneration

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property assets and interests across the Council's estate.						
This report will set out some early recommendations for consideration. Options and recommendations will be offered across a series of reports over the coming months for consideration and presented in alignment with ongoing budget planning and organisational change activity.						
Carephones Restructure and Full Cost Recovery Carephones is currently in the process of re-structuring because the current model is not operationally sustainable due to the continued increased demand. The improved model requires £215K increased funds.  The increase would be as follows: £1.10 per week increase plus the new customer charge of £50 for each new installation. This will cover all the cost of the new	Strategic Director for Adults and Health	20 Oct 2023	Twelve months ago, the service engaged with Co-production Board with an ask for interested parties to work with the service to develop the new model and charging policy. Unfortunately, no one attending the board at the	Open	329. Appendix - Carephones Restructure and Full Cost Recovery	Portfolio Holder for Health and Social Care Gail Addinall, Head of Operations North - Adult Social Care
service at £215K.  If the corporate costs are to be included it will be £2.57 per			time volunteered to be involved.			

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week increase plus the £50			No consultation			
installation charge.			has taken place			
			with our service			
An Integrated Impact			users to date			
Assessment has been			and this is			
completed which highlights the			primarily down			
main impact would be			to the service			
individuals on low incomes.			exploring all			
The Carephones service is a			other options			
means tested service via a			first rather than			
financial assessment. There			the increased			
are currently approximately			costs passing			
7000 registered Carephone			onto service			
users and 3200 Carephone			users. It was			
users who pay for their			hoped that			
service.			other funding			
			options would			
All options of alternative			be available			
funding streams have been			from within			
explored and exhausted.			Adult Social			
			Care and/or its			
The main mitigating factor for			system partners			
risk in this option is that this			because of the			
service is means tested so			preventative			
only those who can afford to			nature of the			
pay will pay the increased			service.			
charges.			However due to			
			the current			
			financial climate			
			these avenues have not been			
			successful. We			
			did explore BCF monies			
			however this			

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			was not successful.			
Withdrawal of Netherton and South Crosland Neighbourhood Plan Forum Designation The report seeks to withdraw the Netherton & South Crosland Neighbourhood Plan Forum designation which was established for the purposes of progressing a neighbourhood development plan (NDP). The Forum was designated at Cabinet 16 <sup>th</sup> November 2021.  The Forum Chair has informed the Council that they are no longer progressing with the Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP), and that the forum would no longer run.	Cabinet	14 Nov 2023	Subject to a Cabinet resolution to withdraw the forum designation, the Council must publish a withdrawal statement as soon as possible, as per the Neighbourhood Planning Regulation (General) 2012, regulation 12.	Open		Portfolio Holder for Finance & Regeneration Jacob Parker-Henry
Therefore, under Neighbourhood Planning Regulation (General) 2012, regulation 12, the forum designation is recommended to be withdrawn.			has actively engaged with the Neighbourhood Plan Forum throughout the			
Had the council not received formal conformation from the Forum of their intention to not progress a NPD, the council's			designation period, to progress the Neighbourhood			

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intention was to withdraw the designation themselves. This was on the grounds of no progress being made on the NDP, and non-compliance with statutory requirements in relation to publicising contact details of a forum member, in the public domain, as set out in section 61F(5) TCPA 1990 and Regulation 8 (Application for designation of a neighbourhood forum) of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations (General) 2012.			Development Plan.  Ward members for Netherton and Crosland were consulted on the Council's intention to withdraw the Neighbourhood Forum prior to confirmation from the Forum Chair.			
Background papers;  Cabinet report for the designation of the Neighbourhood Area Forum and Neighbourhood Plan Area: Microsoft Word - 2021 11 16 Netherton and South Crosland Neighbourhood Forum and Area applications.docx (kirklees.gov.uk)						
Netherton & South Crosland Neighbourhood Plan webpage: Netherton and						

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South Crosland Neighbourhood Development Plan   Kirklees Council						
Housing Delivery Plan Update To provide an update on progress with housing delivery across the district.  Background Papers;  Cabinet Report — Housing Delivery Plan. Approved 29th August 2018 https://democracy.kirkle es.gov.uk/documents/g5 703/Public%20reports% 20pack%2029th-Aug- 2018%2016.00%20Cabi net.pdf?T=10  Cabinet Report — Dewsbury Riverside Masterplan. Approved 19th March 2019 https://democracy.kirkle es.gov.uk/documents/g5 613/Public%20reports% 20pack%2019th-Mar- 2019%2016.00%20Cabi	Cabinet	14 Nov 2023	Engagement Process:  Engagement with ward members regarding sites within the programme takes place on a site-by-site basis, as proposals for each site progress. For example, local ward members are informed when survey work takes place on site, and at key points during the development process e.g. when planning applications are made, when	Open		Portfolio Holder for Finance & Regeneration Adele Buckley, Head of Housing Growth adele.buckley@kirklees.gov.uk

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net.pdf?T=10			there is a start on site.			
Cabinet Report – Housing Delivery Plan Update. Approved 20 <sup>th</sup> January 2020 <a href="https://democracy.kirkle-es.gov.uk/documents/g6-297/Public%20reports%-20pack%2020th-Jan-2020%2010.00%20Cabinet.pdf?T=10">https://democracy.kirkle-es.gov.uk/documents/g6-297/Public%20reports%-20pack%2020th-Jan-2020%2010.00%20Cabinet.pdf?T=10</a>			Portfolio holders are informed of progress on the overall housing growth programme via their regular briefing sessions, and specific, strategic issues			
Dewsbury Riverside Development Strategy. Approved 25 <sup>th</sup> February 2020			and decisions in relation to each site are taken to them for decision.			
Agenda for Cabinet on Tuesday 25th February 2020, 4.00 pm   Kirklees Council  Cabinet Report – Housing Delivery Plan Update. Approved 27 <sup>th</sup> June 2023			Consultation:  Consultation on sites within the programme happens on a site-by-site basis at key points which require decisions. This is led by the Council or by its			

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Agenda for Cabinet on Tuesday 27th June 2023, 2.00 pm   Kirklees Council			dependent on the approach to the site.  Consultation is a key part of			
			any planning application which is made on any site and takes place prior to the submission of any planning application, and			
			as part of the planning application.			
			holders are consulted about key decisions in relation to sites.			
			Ward members are kept updated and informed at key points within the site development process.			
Data Network	Cabinet	14 Nov 2023		Open		Portfolio Holder for Corporate

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The item seeks a decision to			There is			Terence Hudson, Head of
replace the council's core data			ongoing			Technology
network hardware in line with			engagement in			terence.hudson@kirklees.gov.u
the Technology Strategy.			the delivery of			k
			the Technology			
The council's current data			Strategy with			
network was designed around			officers and			
the provision of a public sector			councillors,			
network (PSN) nine years ago.			including			
The network infrastructure			Scrutiny, which			
was underpinned by open			includes the			
public networks provided by			continued			
City Fibre and Openreach.			resilience of the			
85% of Kirklees residents now			data network.			
have gigabit-capable network			This has			
connectivity in their homes			included			
because of the council's			conversation			
previous investment.			about the			
			options open to			
The core network hardware			the council at			
needs to be replaced to			this point and			
continue to provide resilient			the impact for			
and available infrastructure for			partners and			
the next seven years in line			the public.			
with the ambition in the			Details will be			
Technology Strategy. The			provided in the			
core network underpins			report.			
services across Kirklees and						
will link the town centres of			The Council's			
Huddersfield and Dewsbury			Technology			
via private fibre to provide			Strategy Board			
ultra-fast connectivity between			and the			
both locations.			Executive			
			Team of senior			
The data network contract			officers has			

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provides a managed Public Sector Network (PSN) compliant service to over 200 corporate sites and 8000 users.  Background papers:  Previous decision regarding capital refresh budget for IT at Cabinet 14th June 2022: https://democracy.kirklees.gov.uk/documents/s46405/IT%20Capital%20-%20Cabinet%20Report%20005.pdf			been consulted on the approach and provided their support for the decision. Cllr Paul Davies, Portfolio Holder for Corporate is also supportive.			
Council Owned Tree and Woodland Management-Policy A review of the Council's existing tree and woodland management policy identified that it now requires reviewing, and updating. This review work resulted in a redevelopment of the existing documents to provide a new progressive policy. Reflecting new national policy and better aligned with current Kirklees' commitments and corporate goals.	Cabinet	14 Nov 2023	Drafting of the documents included on going engagement with: Risk and Insurance, Planning-Conservation, Design, Trees and Ecology, Energy and Climate Change, The Arboricultural	Open		Portfolio Holder for Culture and Greener Kirklees

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Engagement and consultation has been undertaken with the new document package now drawn together into a finalised draft. Including Policy Statements, an updated Risk Framework, Management Standards and Service Standards.  This new, replacement, policy suite now requires Cabinet consideration with a view making a decision on:  - If the policy should be formally adopted If adopted, delegating the authorisation of			Team.  Early stages of drafting also included briefing and engagement with the pervious portfolio holder.  The following interested parties, and service areas, were contacted for comment and feedback: Highways, Planning Policy,		_	
future updates and revisions, to the Service Director for Highway and Street Scene. To allow the document to be kept up to date and aligned with any changes to national or local policies, legislation, and			Legal Services, Kirklees Direct, Homes and Neighbourhood s, Corporate Facilities Management, and the White Rose Forest, as the regional Community Forest partner.			
guidance during the life cycle of the			Comments received related			

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Council Owned Tree and Woodland Management Policy. As per the review schedule set out at section 14 of the new policy document suite.  Background Papers: Draft Council Owned Tree and Woodland Management policy (with the draft Tree Risk Framework, Management Standards, Service Standards embedded within it).			to rewording, or amendments to specific sections, and addition of text to link the draft tree management policy to other areas, such as Planning Policy.  In January 2023, the initial draft was also taken to the Environment and Neighbourhood s Scrutiny Panel for comment. With the comments received now addressed.  An integrated impact assessment has been undertaken which identified a neutral impact on people and communities.			

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			With the policy, and associated tree management, being implemented equally across the district and all the communities that the Council serves. The impact assessment has then identified a positive impact on the environment and the management of it.			
19-33a John William Street, Huddersfield Shop Front Grant, Grant Offer To agree to offer grant support from the Huddersfield Shop Front Grant for the replacement of the shop fronts to 19-33a John William Street.  Throughout the scheme local business owners, the Huddersfield Civic Society	Cabinet	12 Dec 2023	During the planning application process, public consultation was carried out and no objections were made and one letter of support was received.	Part exempt	Background Information	Councillor Graham Turner, Cabinet Member - Finance and Regeneration Nigel Hunston, Conservation/Design Group Leader nigel.hunston@kirklees.gov.uk

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have been engaged and their views taken on board over the area and the shops concerned. The Huddersfield Civic Society have campaigned over the years for better shop fronts that are more in keeping with the heritage of the town. The Civic Society have continued to seek improvements to 19-33a John William Street and have welcomed and supported the proposals that are the subject of this grant application.						
Ward Councillors and the Portfolio Holders have been consulted on the scheme and have been supportive.						
This part of the town is included in the Huddersfield Town Centre Conservation Area and concern has been raised by Historic England over the quality of the shop fronts. This resulted in the conservation area being placed on their "At Risk Register". Historic England are supportive of the changes to these shop fronts and will go towards removing the conservation area from the						

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register.						
Consultation has been carried						
out with the tenants of the						
shop fronts throughout the						
design of the shop fronts.						
Concerns have been raised						
over the impact of their						
businesses during the						
construction works, whether						
they have to close, the costs						
of the project and ensuring						
disabled access is achieved						
with the new entrances. The						
contractor and the Council						
have worked together to						
ensure that the units will						
remain open, with safety						
regulations in place, and						
disturbance will be to the						
minimum. The costs of the						
project will not be down to the						
tenants and will be covered by						
the freeholder and if approved						
a grant from the Council. All						
the new entrances are						
designed to be disabled						
friendly and are compliant						
Access Regulations.						
Before any applications were						
submitted for planning						
approval, the Huddersfield						
Civic Society were consulted						
upon them. They were in						

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support of the designs and felt they would be big improvement to the town centre.						
Leisure Centre Review To provide cabinet with findings from the leisure centre consultation and other relevant information to enable Cabinet to make an informed decision around future changes to the leisure centre estate. The report will seek agreement for the rationalisation of the estate to be managed by Kirklees Active Leisure (KAL) and request delegated authority to progress alternative delivery options and/or uses for those sites from which KAL will withdraw.	Cabinet	12 Dec 2023	The following will be consulted on the context of the cabinet report before publication:  • Service Director Financ e, Legal & Govern ance • Section 151 Officer • Executi ve Leader ship Team • Portfoli o	Open		Portfolio Holder for Finance & Regeneration Adele Poppleton, Service Director for Culture and Visitor Economy adele.poppleton@kirklees.gov. uk

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			Holder  Executive Board  Kirklee SActive Leisure (KAL) A non-statutory consultation around the future of the leisure offer in Kirklees is due to be completed on 12 <sup>th</sup> November 2023.			
Changes to the Yorkshire Purchasing Organisation Management Agreement Changes to governance arrangements and decision making at Yorkshire Purchasing Organisation (YPO), a Local Authority Joint Committee in which the Council is 1 of 13 participants.	Cabinet	12 Dec 2023		Open		Portfolio Holder for Finance & Regeneration Martin Dearnley, Head of Risk - Internal Audit & Risk Management martin.dearnley@kirklees.gov.u k