

FORWARD PLAN

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Torbay Council

Forward Plan of Key Decisions

Explanatory Note

Torbay Council is required to publish a Forward Plan of all key decisions to be taken in the following four months. The first Plan became effective on 1 March 2002. It is updated monthly.

The Regulations define a key decision as a decision that is likely to:

- (i) result in incurring expenditure or making of savings which are significant; or
- (ii) be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in the area.

The Council has produced comprehensive criteria to define "significant" and these are set out on the following page.

The Forward Plan consists of a brief description of the decisions that are to be made, consultation information, key risks and key opportunities.

Copies of the documents referred to in the Forward Plan may be obtained by contacting the Governance Support Team by telephone (01803 207087), email (governance.support@torbay.gov.uk) or post (Town Hall, Castle Circus, Torquay, TQ1 3DR).

The Forward Plan is available free of charge on request from the Governance Support Team of Torbay Council. It is also available on the Council's website (<http://www.torbay.gov.uk/forward-plan>).

The Leader of the Council and Cabinet

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Definitions of "significant"

Expenditure and savings

A proposed decision shall be regarded as a Key Decision by way of “**incurring expenditure or making of savings which are significant**” if any one or more of the following apply:

- (1) In the opinion of the Chief Finance Officer, there is likely to be a budget variation (other than one within a Business Unit) of more than £250,000;
- (2) In the opinion of the Chief Finance Officer, it is likely to result in capital expenditure above that provided for in the capital programme and it is likely to involve an additional call on the Council’s internal resources of more than £250,000;
- (3) In the opinion of the relevant Director, the decision is likely to have a material effect on Council services, including where:
 - (i) an existing service will be reduced by more than 10 per cent or will cease altogether;
 - (ii) a service which is currently provided in house will be outsourced (or vice versa); or
 - (iii) a partnership will be entered with a third party which is likely to involve a material element of risk transfer to the Council;
- (4) The proposal involves the acquisition or disposal of land having a value estimated by the Chief Finance Officer to be likely to exceed £250,000;
- (5) The proposal involves the disposal of a capital asset (other than land) having a value estimated by the Chief Finance Officer to be likely to exceed £250,000;
- (6) Where in the opinion of the Director of Corporate Services the proposal is likely to result in compulsory redundancies or major changes to the terms and conditions of employment of 100 or more employees across the Council’s functions;

Effect of communities

A proposed decision shall be regarded as a Key Decision by way of being “**significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in the area**” if the relevant Director or Assistant Director, in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member, considers that it ought to be included in the Forward Plan having regard to all the circumstances including the following principles:

- (1) A decision may affect a great number of people, or a number of wards, but not significantly and these decisions shall **not** normally be regarded as key;
- (2) A decision that has a significant impact on communities living or working in only one ward will normally be treated as a Key Decision e.g. a school closure or the introduction or amendment of traffic calming measures;
- (3) Where a decision is only likely to have a significant impact on a very small number of people in one ward it will **not** normally be key. But the people affected should be informed of the forthcoming decision in sufficient time for them to exercise their rights to see the relevant papers and make an input into the decision making process;

- (4) Consideration should be given to the level of public interest in the decision. The higher the level of interest the more appropriate it is that the decision should be considered to be key.

We want Torbay and its residents to thrive.

We want Torbay to be a place where we have turned the tide on poverty and tackled inequalities; where our children and older people will have high aspirations and where there are quality jobs, good pay and affordable housing for our residents.

We want Torbay to be the premier resort in the UK, with a vibrant arts and cultural offer for our residents and visitors to enjoy; where our built and natural environment is celebrated and where we play our part in addressing the climate change emergency.

The proposals in this Forward Plan help us to deliver this ambition by supporting the delivery of some or all of the following themes:

- thriving people;
- thriving economy;
- tackling climate change;
- Council fit for the future;
- the Council's responsibilities as corporate parents;
- tackling poverty, deprivation and vulnerability;
- people with learning disabilities.

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Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Strategy

The Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Strategy sets out the strategic direction in terms of addressing domestic abuse and sexual violence. The current strategy needs to be refreshed and updated to reflect changes in legislation.

Wards affected:	All Wards
Consultees:	People with lived experience, residents, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Operational and Executive groups, service providers, community and voluntary sector providers and partnerships, Community Safety Partnership, Torbay Safeguarding Children's Partnership, Torbay Safeguarding Adults Board, Health and Wellbeing Board, Councillors, Overview and Scrutiny,
Means of Consultation:	Are You Ok Survey 2021, lived experience interviews undertaken 2021 as part of strategic domestic abuse review and Devon wide work on sexual violence in 2021, formal public consultation will take place autumn 2022.
Documents to be considered:	There are currently no documents published. All documents will normally be published at least five clear working days before the meeting. Where documents are not available five clear working days before the meeting, the documents will be published at the same time as they are made available to the decision maker.
Responsible Cabinet Member and Officer:	Cabinet Member for Adults and Public Health (Councillor Jackie Stockman) Director of Adult and Community Services (Jo Williams)
Link to targeted actions:	Tackling poverty, deprivation and vulnerability
Reason for inclusion in the Forward Plan:	Policy Framework
Decision Maker:	Cabinet Cabinet Council

Intended Decision Date:	18 Oct 2022 16 Feb 2023 7 Mar 2023
If you want to make representations contact:	Shirley Beauchamp, Telephone 01803 208727 Or 07768 796659, email: Shirley.beauchamp@torbay.gov.uk, Address: Torbay Council, Safer Communities, Town Hall, Castle Circus, Torquay, TQ1 3DR

Restoration of Torquay Pavilion

To consider match funding the restoration of Torquay Pavilion.

Wards affected:	All Wards
Consultees:	Torquay Town Board and associates, Town Centre Partnership, Ward Councillors, immediate businesses within the vicinity, Harbour Committee, Torbay Culture and Civic Society.
Means of Consultation:	Meetings and presentations as determined appropriate by Leader and Deputy Leader
Documents to be considered:	There are currently no documents published. All documents will normally be published at least five clear working days before the meeting. Where documents are not available five clear working days before the meeting, the documents will be published at the same time as they are made available to the decision maker.
Responsible Cabinet Member and Officer:	Cabinet Member for Economic Regeneration, Tourism and Housing (Councillor Swithin Long) Director of Place (Kevin Mowat)
Link to targeted actions:	Thriving economy
Reason for inclusion in the Forward Plan:	Capital expenditure +£250,000 and outside Capital Plan
Decision Maker:	Council
Intended Decision Date:	Not before 8 Dec 2022
If you want to make representations contact:	Kevin Mowat, Director of Place, kevin.mowat@torbay.gov.uk

The English Riviera Destination Management Plan (DMP) Review

The new Destination Management Plan 2022-27 sets out the vision and objectives, markets for growth, destination development, management, delivery model and SMART action plan.

Wards affected:	All Wards
Consultees:	Destination Management Group partners, key stakeholders and the public.
Means of Consultation:	Full public consultation
Documents to be considered:	There are currently no documents published. All documents will normally be published at least five clear working days before the meeting. Where documents are not available five clear working days before the meeting, the documents will be published at the same time as they are made available to the decision maker.
Responsible Cabinet Member and Officer:	Cabinet Member for Economic Regeneration, Tourism and Housing (Councillor Swithin Long) Divisional Director Economy, Environment and Infrastructure (Alan Denby)
Link to targeted actions:	Thriving economy
Reason for inclusion in the Forward Plan:	Policy Framework
Decision Maker:	Cabinet Cabinet Council
Intended Decision Date:	24 May 2022 30 Aug 2022 13 Oct 2022
If you want to make representations contact:	Carl Wyard, Economy and Enterprise Manager, TDA, 07891 977936, carl.wyard@tda.uk.net

To amend the Resource and Waste Management Strategy 2020 – 2023 to remove the reference to undertaking a trial of a reduction in the frequency of residual waste collections.

The Resource and Waste Management Strategy 2020 – 2023 was approved by Council in February 2021 and it included a reference to undertaking a trial of a reduction in the frequency of residual waste collections. Although in the Strategy, this aim was not included within the associated Action Plan.

The Council and SWISCo are working hard to increase recycling rates, and thereby reducing the amount of residual waste that households generate. However, the ongoing inclusion of the potential for this trial could cause a distraction from the important work to improve the levels of household recycling in the Bay.

As the Resource and Waste Management Strategy forms part of the Council's Policy Framework, there is a requirement to undertake consultation on any changes.

Wards affected:	All Wards
Consultees:	Householders
Means of Consultation:	Online consultation with promotion via the One Torbay newsletter (which has over 9000 subscribers)
Documents to be considered:	There are currently no documents published. All documents will normally be published at least five clear working days before the meeting. Where documents are not available five clear working days before the meeting, the documents will be published at the same time as they are made available to the decision maker.
Responsible Cabinet Member and Officer:	Cabinet Member for Infrastructure, Environment and Culture (Councillor Mike Morey) Director of Place (Kevin Mowat)
Link to targeted actions:	Tackling climate change
Reason for inclusion in the Forward Plan:	Policy Framework
Decision Maker:	Director of Place Cabinet Council

Intended Decision Date:	29 Jul 2022 30 Aug 2022 13 Oct 2022
If you want to make representations contact:	Kevin Mowat, Director of Place, Kevin.Mowat@torbay.gov.uk, Torbay Council, Town Hall, Castle Circus, Torquay, TQ1 3DR

Torbay Economic Strategy 2022-2030

The new Torbay Economic Strategy 2022 – 2030 will set the framework for developing Torbay's economy.

Wards affected:	All Wards
Consultees:	Chambers of commerce, business forum, neighbourhood forums, industry sector groups, social enterprise sector, businesses, other key stakeholders and the public.
Means of Consultation:	Full public consultation.
Documents to be considered:	There are currently no documents published. All documents will normally be published at least five clear working days before the meeting. Where documents are not available five clear working days before the meeting, the documents will be published at the same time as they are made available to the decision maker.
Responsible Cabinet Member and Officer:	Cabinet Member for Economic Regeneration, Tourism and Housing (Councillor Swithin Long) Divisional Director Economy, Environment and Infrastructure (Alan Denby)
Link to targeted actions:	Thriving economy
Reason for inclusion in the Forward Plan:	Policy Framework
Decision Maker:	Cabinet Cabinet Council
Intended Decision Date:	12 Jul 2022 15 Nov 2022 8 Dec 2022
If you want to make representations contact:	Carl Wyard, Economy and Enterprise Manager, TDA, 07891 977936, carl.wyard@tda.uk.net,

Torbay Housing Strategy

The Torbay Housing Strategy 2022-2030 is an overarching document that sets out how the council will promote a balanced housing market; essential to sustainable communities, in response to Torbay's current housing crisis.

Through leadership and working with partners this strategy aims to improve the delivery, affordability and quality of housing.

The strategy will kick start the delivery of new homes and support improving existing homes and communities; with particular focus on affordable and social rent properties.

The strategy builds upon the Council's previous housing strategy and seeks to continue the momentum of improvement.

Wards affected:	All Wards
Consultees:	Householders and key partners
Means of Consultation:	Online consultation with promotion with One Torbay Newsletter (which has over 9000 subscribers) Press release Social Media Targeted communication with hard to reach groups
Documents to be considered:	There are currently no documents published. All documents will normally be published at least five clear working days before the meeting. Where documents are not available five clear working days before the meeting, the documents will be published at the same time as they are made available to the decision maker.
Responsible Cabinet Member and Officer:	Cabinet Member for Economic Regeneration, Tourism and Housing (Councillor Swithin Long) Director of Adult and Community Services (Jo Williams), Director of Place (Kevin Mowat), Divisional Director of Community and Customer Services (Tara Harris)
Link to targeted actions:	Council fit for the future
Reason for inclusion in the Forward Plan:	Policy Framework

Decision Maker:	Cabinet Cabinet Council
Intended Decision Date:	18 Oct 2022 16 Feb 2023 7 Mar 2023
If you want to make representations contact:	Tara Harris, Divisional Director of Community and Customer Services, tara.harris@torbay.gov.uk