

Key decision items not included in the Forward Plan

Where a matter that is a key decision item has not been included in the Forward Plan, that decision may only be made where –

(1) the relevant Director has informed the Chairman of the relevant Policy/Overview and Scrutiny Panel or, if there is no such person, each Member of that Panel by notice in writing, of the matter about which the decision is to be made;

(2) the relevant Director has made a copy of that notice publicly available at the offices of the Council and on the Council's Website. A copy should also be sent to all councillors for information;

(3) at least five clear days have elapsed since the relevant Director complied with (1) and (2); and

(4) If (3) cannot be complied with then the decision can only be taken if the decision taker (if an individual), or the Chairman of the body making the decision, obtains the agreement of the Chairman of the relevant Policy/Overview and Scrutiny Panel that the taking of the decision is urgent and cannot be reasonably deferred. If there is no Chairman of the relevant Policy/Overview and Scrutiny Panel or if the Chairman of each relevant Policy/Overview and Scrutiny Panel is unable to act, then the agreement of the Chairman of the Council, or in his/her absence the Vice-Chairman will suffice.

Notice of a key decision on an item not in the Forward Plan

To Councillor John Crockford-Hawley being the Chairman of the Place Policy and Scrutiny Panel.

A copy of this notice must be displayed at offices of the Council and published on the Council's website as soon as reasonably practicable after compliance with the above.

Take notice that it is intended to make a key decision by the Executive Member for Assets and Capital Delivery that has not been included in the Forward Plan. The Decision is:

That: North Somerset Council adopts the land known as Portbury Wharf Nature Reserve in accordance with the option in the section 106 agreement (of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990) relating to land to the east of Portishead Dock and the East Quays Development Portishead.

The full decision notice will be available to view on the Council's website via the following link:

<https://www.n-somerset.gov.uk/council-democracy/councillors-committees/decisions-meetings/executive-member-decisions/2021-executive-member-decisions/october-2021-executive-member-decisions>

Reasons why key decision was not included in the Forward Plan:

This decision was initially on the forward plan for decision not before 1 September 2021. But due to uncertainty around timescales we were unable to make this decision during September and as a result the item came off the forward plan.

Agreement of the Chairman of the Policy/Overview and Scrutiny Panel is/is not required in accordance with (4) above. If agreement is required the Chairman is requested to notify the Director accordingly.

I have had regard to and complied with (1) to (4) above.

If the item will also need to be considered as an urgent item, a reason for urgency will be required.

Reason for urgency (if applicable) NA

Signed Director of Place

Date

Ref. – Constitution, Access to Information Procedure Rules, ss 14, 15.