

Forward Plan

for the four-month period commencing on

1st February 2026

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This Forward Plan gives details of decision items to be presented during the forthcoming four months.

Councillors are invited to review the items and to consider whether any of them should be referred for scrutiny or discussed with the appropriate Cabinet Member.

Cabinet (9)

Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Strategic Partnerships, Finance, Digital and Corporate Services - Councillor Mike Bell:

- Leadership and strategic partnerships: Devolution, West of England Combined Authority, Bristol Airport and Bristol Port, and regional collaboration
- Finance and performance: Budget setting, capital programme, risk management, data insight and performance reporting.
- Digital transformation and customer services: ICT, digital services, customer experience, revenues and benefits, and welfare provision.
- Corporate governance and people services: Legal, democratic, electoral and HR services, equality, diversity and inclusion, and corporate development
- Communications and engagement: Media relations, consultation, and community engagement.

Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Children's Services, Families, Skills and Lifelong Learning – Councillor Catherine Gibbons:

- Children's social care and safeguarding: Family Help, child protection, children in care and care leavers, fostering, and corporate parenting
- Education and early years: School improvement, early years provision, Virtual School, and school admissions and capital projects
- Special educational needs and inclusion: SEND services, inclusion, education welfare, and support for children out of school
- Skills and lifelong learning: Skills strategy, post-16 participation, adult learning, and youth mentoring (including Junction 21)
- Workforce and service quality: Workforce development, Children's Services Academy, quality assurance, and continuous improvement.

- Cabinet Member for Planning and Environment – Councillor Annemieke Waite:**
- Climate and nature emergency: Climate adaptation, renewable energy, carbon reduction, ecological recovery, and flood resilience
- Planning policy and delivery: Local Plan, development control, planning enforcement, and building control
- Environmental services: Waste and recycling, street cleaning, and environmental maintenance.
- Biodiversity and green infrastructure: Strategic oversight of biodiversity and green infrastructure strategy and marine environment management
- Sustainable communities: Working with local groups on community and environmental initiatives.

Cabinet Member for Homes and Health – Councillor Jenna Ho Marris: • Housing strategy and supply: Affordable housing, homelessness prevention, and private rented sector regulation • Public health and wellbeing: Health improvement programmes, mental health and wellbeing, healthy lifestyles, and reducing inequalities • Public health protection and resilience: Strategic oversight of local health protection and emergency health response in partnership with the NHS, UKHSA and North Somerset’s environmental health teams • Integrated health and care: Partnerships with NHS, localities and the Integrated Care System • Community resilience: Work with voluntary and community sector partners on health and housing outcomes

Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport – Councillor Hugh Malyan: • Transport strategy: Active travel, sustainable transport, Bus Service Improvement Plan, and rail partnerships • Highways maintenance: Road repairs, lighting, drainage, and asset management • Traffic management: Traffic Regulation Orders, safety schemes, and congestion management • Public transport and accessibility: Community transport, home-to-school travel, and inclusive transport planning • Infrastructure delivery: Delivery of transport improvements and support for growth areas.

Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services – Councillor Roger Whitfield: • Adult social care and safeguarding: Protection of vulnerable adults, safeguarding partnerships, and quality assurance • Community and locality services: Social work teams, occupational therapy, and hospital discharge coordination • Mental health and wellbeing: Mental health services, commissioning, and partnership working • Reablement and support services: Reablement, technology-enabled care, brokerage, and contracts • Service transformation: Continuous improvement and integration with health partners.

Cabinet Member for Regulatory Services, Sport and Pride in Place programme – Councillor James Clayton: • Regulatory and public protection: Food safety, environmental protection, trading standards, and emergency planning • Environmental health and protection: Delivery of local environmental health services and operational response to health protection incidents in coordination with Public Health • Licensing and compliance: Alcohol, taxi and private hire licensing, entertainment and event licences, animal welfare licensing, and enforcement of related regulations to support safe and fair business practice • Sport and leisure development: Support for sports clubs, leisure facilities, and community sport partnerships; promotion of physical activity and wellbeing through sport • Pride in Place programme: Delivery of the Pride in Place programme, including improvement of public spaces, neighbourhood appearance, and community pride initiatives.

Cabinet Member for Sustainable Places and Service Transformation – Councillor Mark Canniford: • Economic growth and regeneration: Placemaking, heritage, and development of council land for housing and employment • Improving Weston-super-Mare programme: Birnbeck Pier and town centre strategy • Property and asset management: Council property, car parks, and technical services • Service transformation and efficiency: Business transformation, digital innovation, and value for money • Commercial and partnership delivery: Driving income generation and partnership working.

Cabinet Member for Culture, Community Services and Safety – Cllr Mike Solomon: • Culture and heritage: Cultural strategy, partnerships with Arts Council England and Super Culture, and creative sector support • Community safety: CCTV, community policing liaison, Public Space Protection Orders, and safety of women and girls • Leisure and recreation: Leisure centres, sport facilities, seafront activities, and the Sport and

Leisure Facilities Strategy • Parks and open spaces: Parks management, ranger services, and ecology • Libraries and community hubs: Operation and development of libraries and community buildings.

The items and the final decision taker are indicative. Decision making is subject to the Constitution.

Copies of documents listed can be obtained by contacting the officer named in the attached schedules. Other relevant documents may be submitted to the decision maker and can be requested from the named officer as they become available or may be available on the Council's website www.n-somerset.gov.uk

February 2026

1. Council and Cabinet Items

Meeting Date	Item/Issue requiring decision	Background Documents for Consideration	Decision Taker	Exempt Item? Yes/No/ Part	Policy & Scrutiny Panel Activity & Engagement / Timeline	Ward Member Engagement	Contact Officer for Further Details
11/02	Draft Revenue Budget for 2026-27 and MTFP Update 2026-30		Cabinet	No		Not applicable – affects all wards	Melanie Watts Melanie.watts@n-somerset.gov.uk
11/02	Three yearly review of Public Space Protection Orders – decision as to which ones to renew/ revoke or implement take forward for public consultation	https://n-somerset.gov.uk/PSP_O	Cabinet	No	Placemaking, Economy and Sustainable Communities Committee. 13 November 2025	Consultation scheduled November / December 2025	Dee Mawn Dee.mawn@n-somerset.gov.uk
11/02	Fees and charges		Cabinet	No		Not applicable – covers all ward areas	Melanie Watts Melanie.watts@n-somerset.gov.uk
11/02	Extension of North Somerset Environment Company (NSEC) contract	Full Council 22/9/20- Creation of Local Authority Trading Company to deliver waste services – EXEMPT PAPER	Cabinet now Director decision as for one year only	No	All Member Waste Scrutiny engagement 02 December 2025.	Affects all wards	Colin Russell colin.russell@n-somerset.gov.uk
11/02	Council tax support scheme policy Council Tax Reduction Scheme Policy		Cabinet	No	Policy aspects to be discussed at Scrutiny Committee (TBA)	Not applicable – covers all ward areas	Stuart Anstead Stuart.anstead@n-somerset.gov.uk
11/02	Capital Strategy 2026-2030 & Capital Programme 2026/27	Capital Strategy report 05/02/2025	Cabinet	No	Policy aspects to be discussed at Scrutiny Committee (TBA)	Not applicable – covers all ward areas	Melanie Watts Melanie.watts@n-somerset.gov.uk

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11/02	Treasury Management Strategy for 2026/27	Treasury Management Strategy for 2025/26	Cabinet	No	To be delivered through the Audit Committee	Not applicable – covers all ward areas	Melanie Watts Melanie.watts@n-somerset.gov.uk
11/02	Recommendations from the library service transformation consultation	Medium Term Financial Plan & Revenue Budget for 2025-26, Executive report, 4 February 2025 Libraries transformation public consultation, Cabinet report, 18 June 2025	Cabinet	No	25 April 2025, All Member Scrutiny 23 June 2025, All Member Scrutiny panel December briefing – CATE 3 December	All member briefing, 31 July 2025 Affects all wards	Emma Wellard Emma.Wellard@n-somerset.gov.uk
11/02	Council change programme now listed for April 2026)		Cabinet	No	To be confirmed – will be carried out alongside MTFP CATE panel work	Not applicable – covers all ward areas	To be confirmed
11/02	Commissioning Plan for Fleet Electric Vehicle Charging Points		Cabinet now listed as Cabinet Member decision for February 26	No	January 2026 – date to be confirmed. CATE scrutiny committee.	Not applicable – covers all ward areas	Cris Fletcher Cristian-fletcher@n-somerset.gov.uk
11/02	Delivering the Local devolution Programme - approval of asset/service disposal programme for Portishead	Cabinet - 10 September - Local Devolution Policy and Framework A further Cabinet Member report specific to Portishead has been listed for 'not before 01 January' entitled: LDP: Portishead ambition	Cabinet	No	Corporate, Assets, Transport and Environmental Services Policy and Scrutiny Committee has been requested for w/c 8 December	Relevant Ward Members will be engaged at point of individual asset disposal (see Disposal Framework)	Mickey Green, Director of EATS Mickey.Green@n-somerset.gov.uk

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11/02	Tropicana business case update (previously listed December 2025)	https://n-somerset.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s5702/10%20Commissioning%20Plan%20for%20procurement%20of%20a%20Tropicana%20operator%2020%20February%202024.pdf	Cabinet (subject to confirmation of financial value)	Part	Informal member briefing will be arranged for November.	Local ward members are briefed through the Weston Placemaking Member Group.	Jenny Ford Head of Sustainable Places and Growth Jenny.ford@n-somerset.gov.uk Joanne Drinkwater, Weston Placemaking Programme Manager Joanne.drinkwater@n-somerset.gov.uk
24/02	Council Tax setting report for 2026-27		Council	No		Not applicable – covers all wards	Mel Wats mel.watts@n-somerset.gov.uk
24/02	Corporate Parenting Report		Council	No	N/A	N/A	Lynn Fields lynn.fields@n-somerset.gov.uk
24/02	Recommendations from the library service transformation consultation	Medium Term Financial Plan & Revenue Budget for 2025-26, Executive report, 4 February 2025 Libraries transformation public consultation, Cabinet report, 18 June 2025	Council	No	25 April 2025, All Member Scrutiny 23 June 2025, All Member Scrutiny panel December briefing – CATE 3 December	All member briefing, 31 July 2025 Affects all wards	Emma Wellard Emma.Wellard@n-somerset.gov.uk

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17/02	Adoption of North Somerset and Mendip Bat SAC Supplementary Planning Document (previously listed November 2025) now listed April 2026	current SPD. Decision to consult (EAT61)	Council	No	Chair of CATE would like option of informal briefing post-consultation. Informal PESC Scrutiny Committee meeting on 8 December.	Affects all wards	Esther Coffin-Smith Esther.coffin-smith@n-somerset.gov.uk
17/02	Approval of the Transport Services Procurement Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) Commissioning Plan – will now be via a procurement plan.	Project Brief (detailing scope, outcomes, procurement route and anticipated timescales)	Council	No	To be confirmed	Not applicable – not ward specific	Kathryn Scully Kathryn.Scully@n-somerset.gov.uk
24/02	North Somerset SEND strategy / Pathway to adulthood strategy	SEND strategy and the Pathway to adulthood strategy are currently being co-produced - for public consultation once drafted.	Council	No	CYPS committee 2 October 2025	District wide and therefore no specific engagement needed	Anthony Webster Anthony.webster@n-somerset.gov.uk
24/02	Revised Council Tax Reduction Scheme	Council report on the new scheme, including the Equality Impact Assessment (EIA)	Council	No	December briefing – date tba	All member briefing Jan 2026	Stuart Anstead Stuart.Anstead@n-somerset.gov.uk

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17/02	Approval to submit A38 Major Road Network improvements scheme Full Business Case to Department for Transport (DfT) (relisted—previously listed for December 2025 Cabinet) now listed for April 2026	<p>23/24 DP 436: Acceptance of Department for Transport Full Business Case funding grant for the A38 Major Road Networks improvement scheme</p> <p>- DP436-FBC-DfT funding v6-signed.pdf</p>	Council	No	<p>Scheme update given to CATES Committee in March 2025 and engagement held in July 2025 following A38 MRN DfT funding announcement.</p> <p>- Discussion ongoing with committee lead around further engagement during development of scheme detailed design.</p>	<p>Ward Member engagement held in July 2025 following A38 MRN DfT funding announcement.</p> <p>- Further ward member engagement to following during development of scheme detailed design in Autumn 2025.</p>	<p>Contact: Rebecca Kinnersley-Fowler</p> <p>- Rebecca.kinnersley@n-somerset.gov.uk</p> <p>- 07385 963934</p>

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24/02	Using council land for Biodiversity Net Gain: Delegation of Planning Enforcement function to secure a legal agreement (new entry)		Full Council	No	PESC has been requested	N/A – affects all wards	Esther Coffin-Smith esther.coffin-smith@n-somerset.gov.uk

2. Cabinet Member Items and Director Key Decisions

Decision not before	Item/Issue requiring decision	Background Documents for Consideration	Decision Taker	Exempt Item? Yes/No/Part	Policy & Scrutiny Panel Activity & Engagement / Timeline	Ward Member Engagement	Contact Officer for Further Details
01/02	Approval of draft Wolverhill Masterplan Framework (previously listed for February, April, September 2025)	Reg 19 Local Plan (July 2024). Committee Report NSC (moderngov.co.uk)	Cabinet Member – Cllr Waite	No	PEP (now PESC P&S Committee) Scrutiny Panel involved at all stages of plan-making - discussion on next stages of local plan and development locations to be considered 19 November 2024.		Natalie Richards Natalie.richards@n-somerset.gov.uk
01/02	2026/27 Fees and Charges – to seek Cabinet Member approval for any key decisions for increases in charges over 5% and up to 10% or generating estimated additional income between £100,000 to £300,000	Report to Executive 12/04/16 https://n-somerset.moderngov.co.uk/Data/Executive/201604121430/Agenda/13%20Fees%20and%20Charges%20and%2016%2017.pdf	All Cabinet members as not known at this stage which individual Cabinet member will be required to make a decision on an increase to fees and charges in their particular portfolio	No	Engagement with scrutiny will take place as appropriate depending on the proposed increases and which panel they fall under	Affects all wards	Mark Anderson Mark.anderson@n-somerset.gov.uk Jo Jones Jo.jones@n-somerset.gov.uk

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01/02	Signature of LEVI Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (LEVI) Inter-Authority Agreement (previously listed December 2025)	Commissioning Plan Decision Notice https://n-somerset.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2023-09/23-24%20DP%20204.pdf	Cabinet Member for Transport and Highways – Cllr Malyan	No	TCC Panel consulted on the commissioning plan on 4/9/23 and the CATE Scrutiny Committee brief in 22 nd September 2025.	Council wide policy, not ward specific	Cris Fletcher – Principal Sustainable Travel & Road Safety Officer Cristian.fletcher@n-somerset.gov.uk
01/02	Commissioning Plan for the delivery of an expansion to the ASD Resource Base at Nailsea School (new entry)	Decisions CY023; CY117; CY125; CY143 and CV169. And https://n-somerset.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2024-09/School%20Place%20Planning%20Strategy%20final.pdf	Cabinet Member – Cllr Gibbons	No	Updates to the CYPS School Organisation Steering Group – last updated in December 2025	CSs will regularly update the Nailsea Ward Cllrs	Mark Matthews Mark.matthews@n-somerset.gov.uk Georgia Humphrey Georgia.Humphrey@n-somerset.gov.uk
01/02	Confirmation of the remaining Bus Service Improvement capital programme (new entry)	North Somerset Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP)	Cabinet Member – Cllr Malyan	No	Ongoing engagement – most recently briefed CATE on 6 November 2025		Rob Thomson rob.thomson@n-somerset.gov.uk
01/02	Commissioning Plan for Fleet Electric Vehicle Charging Points		Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport – Cllr Malyan (previously listed in February 26 as Cabinet decision)	No	January 2026 – date to be confirmed. CATE scrutiny committee.	Not applicable – covers all ward areas	Cris Fletcher Cristian.fletcher@n-somerset.gov.uk

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01/02	To agree the school term dates for 2027-28 academic year	Consultation with directly affected schools (when live)	Director of Children's Services	No	Meeting of the CYPS Panel School Organisation Steering Group meeting – date tbc	Affects all wards	Contact: Janice Allen 01275 888619
01/02	2026/27 Fees and Charges – to seek Director approval for any key decisions for increases in charges up to 5% or generating estimated additional up to £100,000	Report to Executive 12/04/16 https://nso.meraset.moderngov.co.uk/Data/Executive/201604121430/Agenda/13%20Fees%20and%20Charges%202016%2017.pdf	Director of Environment, Assets and Transport Services	No	Engagement with scrutiny will take place as appropriate depending on the proposed increases and which panel they fall under	Affects all wards	Jo Jones. Finance Business Partner Environment, Assets and Transport Services Directorate Jo.jones@n-somerset.gov.uk
01/02	2026/27 Fees and Charges – to seek Director approval for any key decisions for increases in charges up to 5% or generating estimated additional up to £100,000	Report to Executive 12/04/16 https://nso.meraset.moderngov.co.uk/Data/Executive/201604121430/Agenda/13%20Fees%20and%20Charges%202016%2017.pdf	Director of Healthy and Sustainable Communities	No	Engagement with scrutiny will take place as appropriate depending on the proposed increases and which panel they fall under	Affects all wards	Mark Anderson. Finance Business Partner Healthy and Sustainable Communities Directorate. Mark.anderson@n-somerset.gov.uk

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01/02	Extension of North Somerset Environment Company (NSEC) contract for one year period only	Full Council 22/9/20 Creation of Local Authority Trading Company to deliver waste services – EXEMPT PAPER	Director of Environment, Assets and Transport (previously Cabinet but now for one year only)	No	All Member Waste Scrutiny engagement 02 December 2025.	Affects all wards	Colin Russell colin.russell@n-somerset.gov.uk
01/02	Service Level Agreement with South West Heritage Trust for Heritage and Archive Services (previously listed January, March, June August, December 2025	Draft Heritage and Archives agreement 2024-2034	Director of Corporate Services	No	Discussed with TCC chair on 10 Oct 2024 and details shared with NSC's Heritage lead	n/a	Emma Wellard: Emma.Wellard@nsomerset.gov.uk

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01/02	2026/27 Fees and Charges – to seek Director approval for any key decisions for increases in charges up to 5% or generating estimated additional up to £100,000 (new entry)	https://n-somerset.moderngov.co.uk/Data/Cabinet/201604121430/Agenda/13%20Fees%20and%20Charges%20016%2017.pdf	Director of Corporate Services	No	Engagement with scrutiny will take place as appropriate depending on the proposed increases and which panel they fall under	Affects all wards	Mark Anderson. Finance Business Partner (Corporate). Mark.anderson@n-somerset.gov.uk
01/02	2026/27 Fees and Charges – to seek Director approval for any key decisions for increases in charges up to 5% or generating estimated additional up to £100,000 (new entry)	https://n-somerset.moderngov.co.uk/Data/Cabinet/201604121430/Agenda/13%20Fees%20and%20Charges%20016%2017.pdf	Director of Adult Social Services and Housing	No	Engagement with scrutiny will take place as appropriate depending on the proposed increases and which panel they fall under	Affects all wards	Graham Booth Finance Business Partner (Adults) Graham.Booth@n-somerset.gov.uk
01/02	2026/27 Fees and Charges – to seek Director approval for any key decisions for increases in charges up to 5% or generating estimated additional up to £100,000 (new entry)	https://n-somerset.moderngov.co.uk/Data/Cabinet/201604121430/Agenda/13%20Fees%20and%20Charges%20016%2017.pdf	Director of Children's Services	No	Engagement with scrutiny will take place as appropriate depending on the proposed increases and which panel they fall under	Affects all wards	Kirsty Hobbs Finance Business Partner (Children's) Kirsty.Hobbs@n-somerset.gov.uk

March 2026

1. No Cabinet or Council meeting scheduled

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April 2026

1. Council and Cabinet

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21/04	Corporate Parenting Report		Council	No	Information only item – for completeness	Not applicable – covers all ward areas	Lynn Fields lynn.fields@n-somerset.gov.uk
21/04	Approval of the Commissioning Plan for the design and construction of a new Voyage Learning Campus Secondary Pupil Referral Unit on land at Locking Head Drove (originally listed in November 2025 and February 2026)	CY086 2023/24 – Approval to commission a review of sites to deliver this new provision CY098 2024/25 – Approval to undertake an RFQ to appoint a multi-disciplinary team to oversee RIBA stages 0-2 for the VLC at Locking Head Drove CY173 2024/25 - Contract Award for the RIBA 0-2 design of the Voyage Learning Campus (11-16 year old provision) development at Locking Head Drove, Weston super Mare	Council	No	Regular quarterly updates to the CYPS Policy and Scrutiny Committee – last met on 6 June 2025 and due to meet on 21 September 2025	Terry Porter and Mike Solomon (Ward Members for Hutton and Locking) Monthly updates with Cllr Gibbons and Cllr Waite	Contact: Sally Varley, Head of Strategic Place Planning and Capital Programmes Education Partnerships Email: sally.varley@n-somerset.gov.uk David Peacock, Senior Project Manager Email: david.peacock@n-somerset.gov.uk
21/04	Scrutiny annual report to Council (new entry)	https://n-somerset.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2025-08/NSC%20Constitution%20-%20Part%20of%20Articles%20of%20the%20Constitution.pdf	Council	No	P&S Chairs engaged at 27NOV25 Scrutiny Chairs and Vice-chairs meeting and will be updated at January meeting (Date TBC)	N/A – affects all wards	Brent Cross, Policy and Scrutiny Senior Officer Brent.cross@n-somerset.gov.uk

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21/04	Approval to submit A38 Major Road Network improvements scheme Full Business Case to Department for Transport (DfT) (relisted – previously listed for December 2025 Cabinet and February 2026 Council)	23/24 DP 436: Acceptance of Department for Transport Full Business Case funding grant for the A38 Major Road Networks improvement scheme  DP436 FBC DfT funding v6 signed.pdf	Council	No	Scheme update given to CATES Committee in March 2025 and engagement held in July 2025 following A38 MRN DfT funding announcement. Discussion ongoing with committee lead around further engagement during development of scheme detailed design.	Ward Member engagement held in July 2025 following A38 MRN DfT funding announcement. Further ward member engagement held in December 2025 to update on development of scheme detailed design.	Contact: Rebecca Kinnersley-Fowler Rebecca.kinnersley@n-somerset.gov.uk 07385 963931

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21/04	Adult Social Services and Housing Annual Commissioning Intentions Plan 2026/27 (new entry)	<p>ASC&H Commissioning Strategy 2024 - 2031 https://n-somerset.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2024-07/Adult%20Social%20Services%20Commissioning%20Strategy%202024%20-2031_1.pdf</p> <p>ASC&H Commissioning Strategy Action Plan 2025/2026 https://n-somerset.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2025-12/Commissioning%20Strategy%20Action%20Plan%202025-26%20updated.pdf</p> <p>ASC&H Commissioning Intentions Plan 2025/26 agreed at Council meeting 1st April 2025, COU107 Agenda for Council on Tuesday, 1st April, 2025, 6.00 pm North Somerset Council</p> <p>ASC Market Position Statement 2025/2026 https://n-somerset.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2025-12/Market%20Position%20Statement%202025-26%20updated.pdf</p>	Council	No	To be discussed at Adults Services and Housing Policy Panel 12 February 2026	N/A – affects all areas	Teresa Stanley Head of Strategy and Commissioning, Adult Social Care and Housing teresa.stanley@n-somerset.gov.uk

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29/04	Budget Monitor 2025-26 Month 10 Outturn and Q3 Performance Management Update	North Somerset Corporate Plan 2024-2028 (n-somerset.gov.uk) North Somerset Risk Management Strategy: North Somerset Council Risk Management Strategy, April 2024	Cabinet	No	This is an information item. Quarterly updates to Scrutiny Committees will follow the update to the Cabinet as per the agreed business planning and risk management framework.	Not applicable - covers all ward areas	Melanie Watts Melanie.watts@n-somerset.gov.uk Jo Belbin Jo.belbin@n-somerset.gov.uk
29/04	Council change programme (previously listed for February 26)		Cabinet	No	To be confirmed – will be carried out alongside MTFP CATE panel work	Not applicable – covers all ward areas	Matt Lewis Matt.lewis@n-somerset.gov.uk

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May 2026

1. Council (NB no Cabinet Meeting)

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12/05	Corporate Parenting Report (new entry)		Council	No	Information only item – for completeness	Not applicable – covers all ward areas	Lynn Fields Lynn.fields@n-somerset.gov.uk

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01/05	Change of Place Value of Baytree School to better match its accommodation capacity across its 2 sites (new entry)	Decision CY106 And https://n-somerset.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2024-09/School%20Place%20Planning%20Strategy%20final.pdf	Cabinet Member for Children's Services, Families and Lifelong Learning – Cllr Gibbons	No	Updates to the CYPS School Organisation Steering Group – most recently reviewed on 16 December 2025	Cllr Shopland and Cllrs Crew and Malyan	Georgia Humphrey Georgia.Humphrey@n-somerset.gov.uk