

Cabinet

Tuesday, 27th January, 2026
at 4.30 pm

PLEASE NOTE TIME OF MEETING

Council Chamber, Civic Centre

Members

Leader and Cabinet Member for Transport– Councillor
Winning

Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources– Councillor
Letts

Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Growth and
Skills – Councillor Bogle

Cabinet Member for Environment and Net Zero -
Councillor Savage

Cabinet Member for Children and Learning – Councillor
Barnes-Andrews

Cabinet Member for Leisure and Communities –
Councillor Kataria

Cabinet Member for Housing – Councillor A Frampton

Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health
– Councillor Finn

(QUORUM – 3)

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BACKGROUND AND RELEVANT INFORMATION

The Role of the Executive

The Cabinet and individual Cabinet Members make executive decisions relating to services provided by the Council, except for those matters which are reserved for decision by the full Council and planning and licensing matters which are dealt with by specialist regulatory panels.

The Forward Plan

The Forward Plan is published on a monthly basis and provides details of all the key executive decisions to be made in the four month period following its publication. The Forward Plan is available on request or on the Southampton City Council website, www.southampton.gov.uk

Implementation of Decisions

Any Executive Decision may be “called-in” as part of the Council’s Overview and Scrutiny function for review and scrutiny. The relevant Overview and Scrutiny Panel may ask the Executive to reconsider a decision, but does not have the power to change the decision themselves.

Mobile Telephones – Please switch your mobile telephones or other IT to silent whilst in the meeting.

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The Council supports the video or audio recording of meetings open to the public, for either live or subsequent broadcast. However, if, in the Chair’s opinion, a person filming or recording a meeting or taking photographs is interrupting proceedings or causing a disturbance, under the Council’s Standing Orders the person can be ordered to stop their activity, or to leave the meeting.

By entering the meeting room you are consenting to being recorded and to the use of those images and recordings for broadcasting and or/training purposes. The meeting may be recorded by the press or members of the public. Any person or organisation filming, recording or broadcasting any meeting of the Council is responsible for any claims or other liability resulting from them doing so. Details of the Council’s Guidance on the recording of meetings is available on the Council’s website.

Municipal Year Dates (Tuesdays)

2025	2026
17 June	27 January
15 July	10 February
26 August	24 February (Budget)
23 September	24 March
28 October	28 April
25 November	
23 December	

Executive Functions

The specific functions for which the Cabinet and individual Cabinet Members are responsible are contained in Part 3 of the Council’s Constitution. Copies of the Constitution are available on request or from the City Council website, www.southampton.gov.uk

Key Decisions

A Key Decision is an Executive Decision that is likely to have a significant:

- financial impact (£500,000 or more)
- impact on two or more wards
- impact on an identifiable community

Procedure / Public Representations

At the discretion of the Chair, members of the public may address the meeting on any report included on the agenda in which they have a relevant interest. Any member of the public wishing to address the meeting should advise the Democratic Support Officer (DSO) whose contact details are on the front sheet of the agenda.

Fire Procedure – In the event of a fire or other emergency, a continuous alarm will sound and you will be advised, by officers of the Council, of what action to take.

Smoking policy – The Council operates a no-smoking policy in all civic buildings.

Access – Access is available for disabled people. Please contact the Cabinet Administrator who will help to make any necessary arrangements.

Southampton: Corporate Plan 2022-2030 sets out the four key outcomes:

- Communities, culture & homes - Celebrating the diversity of cultures within Southampton; enhancing our cultural and historical offer and using these to help transform our communities.
- Green City - Providing a sustainable, clean, healthy and safe environment for everyone. Nurturing green spaces and embracing our waterfront.
- Place shaping - Delivering a city for future generations. Using data, insight and vision to meet the current and future needs of the city.
- Wellbeing - Start well, live well, age well, die well; working with other partners and other services to make sure that customers get the right help at the right time

CONDUCT OF MEETING

TERMS OF REFERENCE

The terms of reference of the Cabinet, and its Executive Members, are set out in Part 3 of the Council's Constitution.

RULES OF PROCEDURE

The meeting is governed by the Executive Procedure Rules as set out in Part 4 of the Council's Constitution.

DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Members are required to disclose, in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct, **both** the existence **and** nature of any "Disclosable Pecuniary Interest" or "Other Interest" they may have in relation to matters for consideration on this Agenda.

DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

A Member must regard himself or herself as having a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any matter that they or their spouse, partner, a person they are living with as husband or wife, or a person with whom they are living as if they were a civil partner in relation to:

(i) Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain.

(ii) Sponsorship:

Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from Southampton City Council) made or provided within the relevant period in respect of any expense incurred by you in carrying out duties as a member, or towards your election expenses. This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

(iii) Any contract which is made between you / your spouse etc (or a body in which the you / your spouse etc has a beneficial interest) and Southampton City Council under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed, and which has not been fully discharged.

(iv) Any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of Southampton.

(v) Any license (held alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of Southampton for a month or longer.

(vi) Any tenancy where (to your knowledge) the landlord is Southampton City Council and the tenant is a body in which you / your spouse etc has a beneficial interests.

(vii) Any beneficial interest in securities of a body where that body (to your knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of Southampton, and either:

a) the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body, or

b) if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which you / your spouse etc has a beneficial interest that exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED

Only those items listed on the attached agenda may be considered at this meeting.

QUORUM

The minimum number of appointed Members required to be in attendance to hold the meeting is 3.

Other Interests

A Member must regard himself or herself as having an, 'Other Interest' in any membership of, or occupation of a position of general control or management in:

Any body to which they have been appointed or nominated by Southampton City Council

Any public authority or body exercising functions of a public nature

Any body directed to charitable purposes

Any body whose principal purpose includes the influence of public opinion or policy

Principles of Decision Making

All decisions of the Council will be made in accordance with the following principles:-

- proportionality (i.e. the action must be proportionate to the desired outcome);
- due consultation and the taking of professional advice from officers;
- respect for human rights;
- a presumption in favour of openness, accountability and transparency;
- setting out what options have been considered;
- setting out reasons for the decision; and
- clarity of aims and desired outcomes.

In exercising discretion, the decision maker must:

- understand the law that regulates the decision making power and gives effect to it. The decision-maker must direct itself properly in law;
- take into account all relevant matters (those matters which the law requires the authority as a matter of legal obligation to take into account);
- leave out of account irrelevant considerations;
- act for a proper purpose, exercising its powers for the public good;
- not reach a decision which no authority acting reasonably could reach, (also known as the "rationality" or "taking leave of your senses" principle);
- comply with the rule that local government finance is to be conducted on an annual basis. Save to the extent authorised by Parliament, 'live now, pay later' and forward funding are unlawful; and
- act with procedural propriety in accordance with the rules of fairness.

AGENDA

1 APOLOGIES

To receive any apologies.

2 DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL AND PECUNIARY INTERESTS

In accordance with the Localism Act 2011, and the Council's Code of Conduct, Members to disclose any personal or pecuniary interests in any matter included on the agenda for this meeting.

EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

3 STATEMENT FROM THE LEADER

4 RECORD OF THE PREVIOUS DECISION MAKING (Pages 1 - 6)

Record of the decision making held on 25 November 2025 and 16 December 2025 attached.

5 MATTERS REFERRED BY THE COUNCIL OR BY THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FOR RECONSIDERATION (IF ANY)

There are no matters referred for reconsideration.

6 REPORTS FROM OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEES (IF ANY)

There are no items for consideration

7 EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS

To deal with any executive appointments, as required.

ITEMS FOR DECISION BY CABINET

8 LGA CORPORATE PEER CHALLENGE PROGRESS REVIEW REPORT (Pages 7 - 88)

Report of the Leader of the Council detailing the outcome of the LGA Corporate Peer Challenge progress review visit.

9 CORPORATE PARENTING ANNUAL REPORT 2025 (Pages 89 - 116)

The annual corporate parenting report provides transparency and accountability for how Southampton City Council fulfil its statutory duties in respect of children in care and care leavers. It evaluates progress against key priorities such as safety, health,

education, and emotional well being, ensuring that children in care receive the same aspirations and opportunities as any child would expect from a good parent. The report also highlights performance data, areas for improvement, and future plans, enabling elected members and senior leaders to scrutinise services, celebrate successes, and drive continuous improvement. By inviting challenge and engagement from stakeholders, including young people themselves, the report strengthens governance and promotes a culture of learning and partnership, ultimately improving life chances and outcomes for children and young people in care.

10 FINANCIAL POSITION UPDATE - PERIOD TO 31 DECEMBER 2025 (Pages 117 - 144)

To consider the report of the Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources providing an update on the Council's financial position for 2025/26.

11 SOUTHAMPTON HEALTH AND WELLBEING STRATEGY 2026-2035 (Pages 145 - 178)

To consider the report of Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health seeking approval of Southampton Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2026-2035.

12 DISCRETIONARY DISABLED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE POLICY (DFG) (Pages 179 - 208)

To consider the report of the Cabinet Member for Housing seeking approval for the updates relating to the Discretionary Disabled Financial Assistance Policy.

13 FRAMEWORK FOR MANAGING SELECTED VOID HRA ASSETS (Pages 209 - 226)

To consider the report of the Cabinet Member for Housing seeking approval for the adoption of a selection rationale and accompanying methodology for the future management of certain void Housing Revenue Account (HRA) properties. The report will outline an approach to ensuring best use of housing assets and reinvestment of resources to support the delivery of the Council's Decent Homes and housing improvement objectives.

14 SCC HOUSING STRATEGY 2026-2031 (Pages 227 - 280)

To consider the report for the Cabinet Member for Housing, seeking approval of a new Housing Strategy.

15 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC - EXEMPT PAPERS INCLUDED IN THE FOLLOWING ITEM

To move that in accordance with the Council's Constitution, specifically the Access to Information Procedure Rules contained within the Constitution, the press and public be excluded from the meeting in respect of any consideration of the exempt appendices to the following item.

Appendices 2 and 3 of this report contains information deemed to be exempt from general publication based on Category 3 of Paragraph 10.4 of the Council's Access to Information Procedure Rules. This includes details of commercial terms which have

not yet been finalised between parties and which if disclosed, could put the Council or other parties at a commercial disadvantage.

16 PROPOSED LEASE RESTRUCTURE, HOLIDAY INN HOTEL, WEST QUAY ROAD
□ (Pages 281 - 360)

To consider the report of the Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Growth and Skills, seeking approval for the proposed surrender and simultaneous grant of a new 250 year lease in respect of the former Holiday Inn now VOCO hotel at West Quay Road.

Monday, 19 January 2026

Director of Legal and Governance