



BOSTON BOROUGH COUNCIL

FORWARD PLAN

1 JULY TO 31 JULY 2026

The Forward Plan is a forecast of decisions which are expected to be taken by the Cabinet in the next twelve months.

This Plan constitutes 28 day notice as required by virtue of Regulations 5(2) and 9(2) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information (England) Regulations 2012.

The Boston Borough Council definition of a key decision is:

- A decision which results in the authority incurring expenditure which is, or involves the making of savings which are significant having regard to the authority's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or
- Be significant in terms of its effect on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards of the Borough.

Decisions set out in this Plan will be taken by the Cabinet unless otherwise specified. All decisions included in this Plan will be taken on the basis of a written report and will be published on the Council's website before the meeting.

Please note that the decision dates are indicative and occasionally subject to change.

The Council invites members of the public to attend any of the meetings at which decisions will be discussed and the papers listed on the Plan can be viewed free of charge at the Customer Services Desk, Municipal Building, West Street, Boston, or on the Council's website, www.boston.gov.uk

If you wish to make comments or representations regarding the decisions outlined in the Plan, please submit them in writing to the contact officer identified against each decision in the Plan, at least 2 working days before the date of the meeting at which the decision is to be taken.

Agendas, decisions and minutes are published on the Council's website www.boston.gov.uk

Cabinet Members:

Cllr Dale Broughton (Leader)
Cllr Mike Gilbert (Deputy Leader)

Cllr John Baxter
Cllr Chris Mountain

Cllr Callum Butler
Cllr Claire Rylott

Cllr Sandeep Ghosh
Cllr Sarah Sharpe
Cllr Helen Staples

Report Title and Summary of Content	Key / Non-Key	Date Decision to be taken	Rec to Council?	Open or Exempt	Lead Officer	Portfolio Holder
<p>Quarter 4 24/25 Performance and Risk Report</p> <p>To provide an update on performance and risk as at the end of each quarter.</p>	Key	Cabinet 31 Jul 2025		Open	Suzanne Rolfe, Group Manager – Insights & Transformation suzanne.rolfe@boston.gov.uk	Leader (Councillor Dale Broughton)
<p>Boston Borough Council 24.25 Outturn Report</p> <p>The outturn report for the year ended 31 March 2025.</p>	Key	Cabinet 31 Jul 2025		Open	Lazaros Mafuko, Interim Strategic Finance Manager, PSPSL lazaros.mafuko@pspl.co.uk	Portfolio Holder - Finance and Economic Growth (Councillor Sandeep Ghosh)
<p>Plan for Neighbourhoods</p> <p>To provide an update on the development of the Plan for Neighbourhoods process that will release up to £20million of new funding per town over ten years from 1st April 2026 for Skegness, Boston and Spalding – subject to the submission of a ten year regeneration plan and four year rolling investment plan to MHCLG by the target date of December 2025.</p>	Key	Cabinet 31 Jul 2025		Open	Jon Burgess, Programme Manager jon.burgess@e-lindsey.gov.uk, Debbie McLatch, Interim Consultant for Culture & Regeneration debbie.mclatch@e-lindsey.gov.uk	Leader (Councillor Dale Broughton)
<p>Warm Homes - Local Grant</p> <p>To gain member approval for the operational arrangements for the S&ELCP delivery of warm homes – local grant across the sub-region.</p>	Key	Cabinet 31 Jul 2025		Fully exempt	Sarah Baker, Group Manager - Climate Change and Environment sarah.baker@e-lindsey.gov.uk	Portfolio Holder - Environmental Services (Councillor Callum Butler)

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Local Government Re-organisation - support for 'A Greater Lincolnshire for All' To confirm support for 'A Greater Lincolnshire for All' Local Government Re-organisation proposal.	Non Key	Cabinet 31 Jul 2025		Open	James Gilbert, Assistant Director – Corporate james.gilbert@e-lindsey.gov.uk	Leader (Councillor Dale Broughton)
SELCP Safeguarding Policy Following the creation of the SELCP a review of the Safeguarding Policies has been undertaken. To standardise our approach to Safeguarding children and adults in the work we do, a single policy covering all three councils has been developed. The Key aim of the policy is to ensure our residents, officers and councillors will have a clear understanding of our responsibilities under the Children Act 1989 and the Care Act 2014.	Key	Cabinet 17 Sep 2025		Open	Iris Furst, Safeguarding Officer iris.furst@e-lindsey.gov.uk	Portfolio Holder - Communities (Councillor Helen Staples)
Local Council Tax Support Scheme 2026/27 - Consultation Councillor Rylott is also a member of East Midlands Councils.	Non Key	Cabinet 17 Sep 2025		Open	Sharon Hammond, Head of Revenues and Benefits Sharon.hammond@pspl.co.uk	Portfolio Holder - Finance and Economic Growth (Councillor Sandeep Ghosh)
Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Strategy and Action Plan To review and adopt a Equality, Diversity & Inclusion Strategy and high-level Action Plan for the Partnership.	Non Key	Cabinet 17 Sep 2025		Open	Rachel Robinson, Group Manager - Organisational Development Tel: 07717 099955 rachel.robinson@e-	Leader (Councillor Dale Broughton)

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South & East Lincolnshire Council's Partnership Body Worn Video Cameras (BWVC) Policy South & East Lincolnshire Council's Partnership (The Partnership) is committed to ensuring, so far as is reasonably practicable, the health, safety and welfare of its staff, service users and anyone else who may be affected by its activities.	Non Key	Cabinet 17 Sep 2025		Open	Peter Hunn, Community Safety Manager peter.hunn@boston.gov.uk	Leader (Councillor Dale Broughton)
Review of Crowdfunding Scheme To provide an overview of the first two years of the South and East Lincolnshire Crowdfunding Scheme	Non Key	Cabinet 17 Sep 2025		Open	Nichola Holderness, Community Leadership Manager Nichola.Holderness@boston.gov.uk	Portfolio Holder - Communities (Councillor Helen Staples)
Destination Lincolnshire Local Visitor Economy Partnership Destination Management Plan and SELCP Destination Management Plan Destination Lincolnshire are the defined Local Visitor Economy Partnership (LVEP) for the Lincolnshire and Rutland areas. As part of this they have created a Plan to 2033 to promote and co-ordinate the Visitor Economy.	Key	Cabinet 17 Sep 2025		Open	Pranali Parikh, Director of Economic Development pranali.parikh@boston.gov.uk	Portfolio Holder - Heritage, Culture, Tourism (Councillor Sarah Sharpe)

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Pension & Pension Discretions Policy To ensure compliance with Regulation 60 of the Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations 2013. This regulation requires employers to prepare, publish and keep under review a written statement of policy on how they will exercise discretions under the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS).	Non Key	Full Council 29 Sep 2025		Open	Rachel Robinson, Group Manager - Organisational Development Tel: 07717 099955 rachel.robinson@e-lindsey.gov.uk	Leader (Councillor Dale Broughton)
Licensing Policy Review Statutory 5 year review of the council policy in relation to the Licensing Act 2003	Non Key	Full Council 10 Nov 2025		Open	Anna McDowell, Senior Licensing Officer anna.mcdowell@boston.gov.uk	Portfolio Holder - Infrastructure (Councillor Chris Mountain)
Update on Community Lottery To update Members on the progress of the Community Lottery	Non Key	Cabinet 10 Dec 2025		Open	Nichola Holderness, Community Leadership Manager Nichola.Holderness@boston.gov.uk	Portfolio Holder - Communities (Councillor Helen Staples)
Local Council Tax Support Scheme 2026/27 For Cabinet to agree its recommendation to Full Council for the 2026/27 Council Tax Support Scheme.	Non Key	Cabinet 10 Dec 2025	Full Council 12 Jan 2026	Open	Sharon Hammond, Head of Revenues and Benefits Sharon.hammond@spsl.co.uk	Portfolio Holder - Finance and Economic Growth (Councillor Sandeep Ghosh)

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Houses of Multiple Occupation (HMO) Policy To review and update the Policy across each of the Councils and have a single aligned Policy across the Partnership.	Non Key	Cabinet 27 Jan 2026		Open	Jonathan Challen, Safer Communities Service Manager jonathan.challen@e-lindsey.gov.uk, Luke Settle, Housing Standards Team Leader luke.settle@boston.gov.uk	Portfolio Holder - Housing (Councillor John Baxter)