



# **BOSTON BOROUGH COUNCIL**

## **FORWARD PLAN**

### **1 APRIL TO 31 MARCH 2027**

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](http://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](http://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   |
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| <p><b>Data Protection Policy and Records Management Policy</b><br/> The Council's Data Protection Policy and Records Management Policy have been reviewed to ensure the Council's compliance with the latest statutory requirements, including the UK GDPR, Data Protection Act 2018, and the new Data Use and Access Act 2025 (DUAA). The intention is to align these policies across the South &amp; East Lincolnshire Councils Partnership (SELCP).</p> | Non Key       | Cabinet<br>25 Mar 2026    |                                   | Open           | Richard Steele,<br>Information Manager<br>and Data Protection<br>Officer<br>richard.steele@boston.gov.uk | Portfolio Holder -<br>Finance and Economic<br>Growth (Councillor<br>Sandeep Ghosh) |
| <p><b>Quarter 3 25/26 Performance and Risk Report</b><br/> To provide an update on performance and risk as at the end of each quarter.</p>   | Key           | Cabinet<br>25 Mar 2026    |                                   | Open           | Suzanne Rolfe,<br>Group Manager –<br>Insights &<br>Transformation<br>suzanne.rolfe@boston.gov.uk         | Leader (Councillor Dale<br>Broughton)  |
| <p><b>Q3 2025/26 Forecast Outturn</b><br/> To set out the current financial position for the Council at the end of the 2nd quarter of 2025/26.</p>   | Non Key       | Cabinet<br>25 Mar 2026    |                                   | Open           | Nicole Hayes, Head<br>of Finance Delivery -<br>BBC (PSPSL)<br>nicole.hayes@pspsl.co.uk                   | Portfolio Holder -<br>Finance and Economic<br>Growth (Councillor<br>Sandeep Ghosh) |
| <p><b>Pride in Place Programme</b><br/> For each local authority to accept the Government's offer of grant funding under the Pride in Place programme for their respective towns (Boston, Skegness, Mablethorpe, Spalding)</p>   | Key           | Cabinet<br>5 May 2026     | Full<br>Council<br>18 May<br>2026 | Open           | Jon Burgess,<br>Programme Manager<br>jon.burgess@e-lindsey.gov.uk  | Deputy Leader<br>(Councillor Mike Gilbert)   |

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| <p><b>Pride in Place Impact Fund</b><br/>For Members to approve the funding allocations for the use of the £1.5million Pride in Place Impact Fund and delegate authority to the Council's Director of Economic Growth to proceed with the delivery phase, in consultation with the Leader of the Council.</p>               | Key           | Cabinet<br>5 May 2026              |                 | Open           | Jon Burgess,<br>Programme Manager<br>jon.burgess@e-lindsey.gov.uk                             | Deputy Leader<br>(Councillor Mike Gilbert)                                 |
| <p><b>Carbon Footprint Update FY22/23, FY23/24 &amp; FY24/25</b><br/>To provide annual updates on the Carbon Footprint.</p>   | Non Key       | Cabinet<br>5 May 2026              |                 | Open           | Heather Prescott,<br>Climate Change and Environment Officer<br>heather.prescott@boston.gov.uk | Portfolio Holder - Green Spaces and Travel<br>(Councillor Claire Rylott)   |
| <p><b>Destination Management Plan for SELCP and the associated action plan for Boston</b><br/>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 coordinate the Visitor Economy.</p> | Key           | Cabinet<br>Not before 5th May 2026 |                 | Open           | Pranali Parikh,<br>Director of Economic Development<br>pranali.parikh@boston.gov.uk           | Portfolio Holder - Heritage, Culture and Tourism (Councillor Sarah Sharpe) |
| <p><b>Public Space Protection Order for Dog Controls</b><br/>To seek approval of a Public Space Protection for Dog Controls and Dog Fouling.</p>  | Non Key       | Cabinet<br>Not before 5th May 2026 |                 | Open           | Donna Hall, Group Manager Public Protection<br>Donna.Hall@sholland.gov.uk                     | Portfolio Holder - Environmental Services<br>(Councillor Callum Butler)    |

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| <p><b>Scrutiny Review</b><br/>To revise the current scrutiny arrangements and make recommendations to Full Council.</p> | Non Key       | Full Council<br>18 May 2026 |                 | Open           | <p>Amanda Dickinson,<br/>Democratic Services<br/>Team Leader Tel:<br/>01205 314591<br/>amanda.dickinson@boston.gov.uk</p> |                  |