

Cabinet Meeting

**Grand Jury Room, Town Hall, High Street,
Colchester, CO1 1PJ
Wednesday, 06 July 2022 at 18:00**

The Cabinet deals with the implementation of all Council services, putting into effect the policies agreed by Full Council and making recommendations to Full Council on policy issues and the budget.

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Cabinet
Wednesday, 06 July 2022 at 18:00

Leader and Chair	Councillor King (Liberal Democrats) Councillor Cory (Liberal Democrats) Councillor Cox (Labour) Councillor Fox (Labour) Councillor Goss (Liberal Democrats) Councillor Luxford Vaughan (Liberal Democrats) Councillor Nissen (Green) Councillor J. Young (Labour)
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AGENDA
THE LIST OF ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING
(Part A - open to the public)

Live Broadcast

Please follow this link to watch the meeting live on YouTube:

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1 Welcome and Announcements

The Chair will welcome members of the public and Councillors to the meeting and remind those participating to mute their microphones when not talking. The Chair will invite all Councillors and Officers participating in the meeting to introduce themselves.

2 Urgent Items

The Chairman will announce if there is any item not on the published agenda which will be considered because it is urgent and will explain the reason for the urgency.

3 Declarations of Interest

Councillors will be asked to say if there are any items on the agenda about which they have a disclosable pecuniary interest which would prevent them from participating in any discussion of the item or participating in any vote upon the item, or any other pecuniary interest or non-pecuniary interest.

4 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Councillors will be invited to confirm that the minutes of the meeting held on 25 May 2022 and 8 June 2022 are a correct record.

Cabinet minutes 250522

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Cabinet minutes 080622

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5 Have Your Say!

Members of the public may make representations to the meeting. This can be made either in person at the meeting or by joining the meeting remotely and addressing the Council via Zoom. Each representation may be no longer than three minutes. Members of the public wishing to address the Council remotely may register their wish to address the meeting by e-mailing democratic.services@colchester.gov.uk by 12.00 noon on the working day before the meeting date. In addition a written copy of the representation will need to be supplied for use in the event of unforeseen technical difficulties preventing participation at the meeting itself.

There is no requirement to pre register for those attending the meeting in person.

6 Decisions Reviewed by the Scrutiny Panel

The Councillors will consider the outcome of a review of a decision by the Scrutiny Panel under the call-in procedure. At the time of the publication of this agenda, there were none.

7 Strategy

7(i) Addressing the Cost of Living Crisis

25 - 44

Cabinet will consider a report setting out a three point plan to address the cost of living crisis.

7(ii) Shared Prosperity Fund

45 - 50

Cabinet will consider a report providing an outline Investment Plan for Colchester's allocation under the Government's Shared Prosperity Fund (SPF) programme.

7(iii) Policy Panel Work Programme

51 - 54

Cabinet will consider a request from the Policy Panel to add a number of items to its work programme for the 2022-23 municipal year.

8 Housing and Communities

8(i) Colchester's new Housing Strategy 2022-27 55 - 116

Cabinet will consider a report inviting it to adopt a new Housing Strategy covering the period 2022-27. The new Housing Strategy sets out the Council's ambitions for housing in Colchester over the next 5 years and describes how the Council intends to use its resources and work with partners in both the public and private sectors to help it achieve its priorities. The new Housing Strategy highlights how the Council's work in housing contributes to wider agendas such as Levelling Up.

9 Resources

9(i) Budget Strategy 2023-24 117 - 124

Cabinet will consider a report on the Budget Strategy 2023-24.

9(ii) Sale of 125 Gosbecks Road, Colchester 125 - 130

Cabinet will consider a report which seeks approval for the sale of 125 Gosbecks Road. This property was previously occupied by Colchester Borough Homes (CBH) under a lease from the Council but has now been vacated and is deemed surplus to their requirements for space with post-Covid working.

10 Local Economy and Transformation

10(i) Member Development Group Annual Report 2021-22 131 - 150

Cabinet will consider the Annual Report from the Member Development Group for the 2021-22 municipal year.

11 General

11(i) Progress of Responses to the Public 151 - 152

Cabinet will be invited to note a report containing details of members of the public who have addressed meetings of Council and Cabinet under the Have Your Say provisions.

12 Exclusion of the Public (Cabinet)

In accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 and in accordance with The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 to exclude the public, including the press, from the meeting so that any items containing exempt information (for example personal, financial or legal advice), in Part B of this agenda (printed on yellow paper) can be decided. (Exempt information is defined in Section 100I and Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972).

Part B

(not open to the public including the press)

13 Resources _ Part B

13(i) Sale of 125 Gosbecks Road, Colchester - Part B

Cabinet will consider a report which contains not for publication information in support of the report by the Assistant Director, Place and Client Services, in part A of the agenda,