



Chester-le-Street
District Council

Executive Forward Plan and Work Programme



January 2008

About this document

Chester-le-Street District council is committed to continuous improvement. We want to make sure that we engage people in the decisions we make wherever we can. We want to let people know what decisions we are going to make and when.

The council's Executive, which is made up of the Leader and five Executive Members have powers to make certain decisions on behalf of the council. This document aims to go further than what the law requires us to do and let people know as far in advance what decisions the Executive is to make on the councils behalf. Where possible and in relation to what are called key decisions, it will let you know how you can make representations and who they can be made to. This document will be published every month at the Civic Centre and on the council's website at www.chester-le-street.gov.uk.

This document is in two parts:

Part One: Chester-le-Street District Council's formal Executive Forward Plan

Part Two: the Executive's Decision Work Programme for the next year

Part One

The Executive Forward Plan is a statutory document which the council must produce every month covering a four month period. It is published fourteen days before it comes into effect. This is the first day of each month. It includes:

- a list of all 'key decisions' the councils will make on the council's behalf;
- details of the nature of the decision;
- details of the decision taker, which in the councils case is normally the council's Executive;
- when the decision is to be made;
- who are the principal consultees and the means by which consultations will be undertaken;
- a list of documents to be considered by the decision maker; and
- details of how and by when representations can be made.

What are 'key decisions'?

'Key decisions' are defined as executive decisions which are:-

- decisions likely to result in the District Council incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant, having regard to the District Council's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates, or
- significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the Council

Part Two

The Executive's work programme is not a statutory document which the council must produce. It is advance notice of all other important decisions the Executive will take either on behalf of the council or in making recommendations to the council. It includes:

- a list of the non ‘key decisions the councils will make;
- details of the nature of the decision;
- details of the decision taker, which in the council’s case is normally the council’s Executive as a group;
- when the decision is to be made;
- who are the principal consultees and the means by which consultations will be undertaken;
- a list of documents to be considered by the decision maker; and
- details of how and by when representations can be made.

Who are the Executive?

The Executive is made up of the Leader of the Council and five other Executive Members as follows:

Cllr. Linda Ebbatson	Tel: 0191 387 2090
Leader of the Council with responsibility for Human Resources, Equalities, and Young People	E-Mail: lindaebbatson@chester-le-street.gov.uk
Cllr. Simon Henig	Tel: 0191 387 2090
Deputy Leader and Resources and Value for Money Portfolio Holder	E-Mail: simon.henig@sunderland.ac.uk
Cllr. Chris Jukes	Tel: 0191 389 1136
Regeneration and Strategy Planning Portfolio Holder	E-Mail: chris.jukes1@btopenworld.com
Cllr. Maureen Potts	Tel: 0191 370 0828
Health and Wellbeing Portfolio Holder	E-Mail: maureenpotts@aol.com
Cllr Simon Westrip	Tel: 0191 387 3512
Neighbourhood Services Portfolio Holder	E-Mail: simon.westrip@bigfoot.com
Cllr Steve Barr	Tel:0191 388 9907
Community Engagement and Partnerships Portfolio Holder	E-Mail: steve@link1970.fsnet.co.uk

How do I find out when the Executive is meeting?

Information about the time and venue for a particular meeting of the Executive may be obtained from the agenda available from the Reception Desk at the Civic Centre, from the District Council’s website or from the Executive Assistant. Public Speaking is allowed at Executive meetings so long as you comply with the council’s procedures. To find out more contact Democratic Services.

How do I contact Members of the Executive or the Council Chief Officers?

Contact details for Members of the Executive and for the Council’s Chief Officers are set out in this Forward Plan.

If you have any queries about the Forward Plan, please contact the Executive Assistant at the Civic Centre on 0191 387 2010 or e-mail the Executive Assistant at: amandastephenson@chester-le-street.gov.uk.



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Part One: Executive Forward Plan



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Executive Forward Plan

Summary of Key Decision	Decision Taker and Documents to be considered	Decision Date	Contact Officer	Consulted Parties and means of consultation	How to make representations and when by (If making representations in writing, please address them to the Director/Manager named at: Civic Centre, Newcastle Road, Chester-le-Street, DH3 3UT)
Leisure Options Review	Executive	Revised date January 2008	Tony Galloway 0191 3872100	Corporate Management Team Portfolio Holder Leisure Options Working Group	By phone, or in writing to the Director of Development Services or by email to Tonygalloway@chester-le-street.gov.uk
Demand responsive bus services (Personalised community transport options) Findings of Partnership and Efficiency Overview and Scrutiny Panel	Executive	Revised date January 2008	Leila Dawson 0191 3872233	Relevant Executive Members Corporate Management Team	In writing or by telephone to the Acting Head of Regeneration or by email to leiladawson@chester-le-street.gov.uk

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<p>Review of the Community Partnerships</p> <p>Report from Partnership and Efficiency Overview and Scrutiny Panel</p>	<p>Executive</p>	<p>Revised date March 2008</p>	<p>Nigel Cummings</p>	<p>OSMB Relevant Executive Members Key Stakeholders & Partners</p>	<p>In writing or by telephone to the Scrutiny Officer or by email to nigelcummings@chester-le-street.gov.uk</p>
<p>Irrecoverable Housing Debt Quarterly Report</p>	<p>Executive</p>	<p>March 2008</p>	<p>Paul Stephens 0191 3872494</p>	<p>Director of Resources Income Management Team Leader</p>	<p>In writing or by telephone to Paul Stephens Acting Director of Community Services or by email to paulstephens@chester-le-street.gov.uk</p>



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Part Two: Executive Work Programme



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Housing Strategy	Executive	Deferred date January 2008	Leila Dawson 0191 3872233	Relevant Executive Members Corporate Management Team	In writing or by telephone to the Acting Head of Regeneration or by email to leiladawson@chester-le-street.gov.uk
Review into Environmental Enforcement in relation to the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environments Act 2005 - Cost Benefit Analysis Report	Executive	Deferred date January 2008	Tony Galloway 0191 3872100	Portfolio Holder, Corporate Management Team	By phone, or in writing to the Director of Development Services or by email to Tonygalloway@chester-le-street.gov.uk

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Review of Medium Term Financial Strategy	Executive	Revised date January 2008	Ian Herberson 0191 3872343	Corporate Management Team	In writing or by telephone, to the Head of Corporate Finance or by email to ianherberson@chester-le-street.gov.uk
Corporate Governance Framework	Executive	January 2008	Jayne Henderson 0191 3872300	Chief Officers and Corporate Governance Steering Group	In writing or by telephone, to the Acting Head of Resources Directorate or by email to jaynehenderson@chester-le-street.gov.uk
Sacriston Area Development Framework	Executive	January 2008	Leila Dawson 0191 3872233	Relevant Executive member Corporate Management Team	In writing or by telephone to the Acting Head of Regeneration or by email to leiladawson@chester-le-street.gov.uk

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Regeneration Quarterly Report	Executive	January 2008	Leila Dawson 0191 3872233	Relevant Executive Members Corporate Management Team	In writing or by telephone to the Acting Head of Regeneration or by email to leiladawson@chester-le-street.gov.uk
Bad Debt report Quarterly Report	Executive	January 2008	Ian Herberson 0191 3872343	Head of Revenue and Benefits Accountancy Manager Internal Auditor	In writing or by telephone, to the Head of Corporate Finance or by email to lindachambers@chester-le-street.gov.uk
2008/9 Budget and Capital Programme	Executive	January 2008	Ian Herberson 0191 3872343	Corporate Management Team	In writing or by telephone, to the Head of Corporate Finance or by email to ianherberson@chester-le-street.gov.uk
Employee Survey Results	Executive	Revised date February 2008	Ian Forster 0191 3872130	Corporate Management Team Portfolio Holder Employees Trade Unions	In writing or by telephone to the Director of Corporate Affairs or by email to ianforster@chester-le-street.gov.uk

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2008/9 Budget and Capital Programme	Executive	February 2008	Ian Herberson 0191 3872343	Corporate Management Team OSPs	In writing or by telephone, to the Head of Corporate Finance or by email to ianherberson@chester-le-street.gov.uk
Empty Property Strategy	Executive	Revised date March 2008	Tony Galloway 0191 3872100	Corporate Management Team Portfolio Holder Executive Members	By phone, or in writing to the Director of Development Services or by email to Tonygalloway@chester-le-street.gov.uk
Contaminated Land Strategy	Executive	Revised date March 2008	Tony Galloway 0191 3872100	Corporate Management Team Portfolio Holder Executive Members	By phone, or in writing to the Director of Development Services or by email to Tonygalloway@chester-le-street.gov.uk

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Corporate Performance April to December 2007	Executive Corporate Performance Report and covering report	March 2008	Ian Forster 0191 3872130	Relevant Executive Members Corporate Management Team Internal consultation	In writing or by telephone to the Assistant Chief Executive or by email to ianforster@chester-le-street.gov.uk
Regeneration Quarterly Report	Executive	April 2008	Leila Dawson 0191 3872233	Relevant Executive Members Corporate Management Team	In writing or by telephone to the Acting Head of Regeneration or by email to leiladawson@chester-le-street.gov.uk
Enforcement Policy	Executive	June 2008	Tony Galloway 0191 3872100	Portfolio Holders, Corporate Management Team	By phone, or in writing to the Director of Development Services or by email to Tonygalloway@chester-le-street.gov.uk

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Regeneration Quarterly Report	Executive	July 2008	Leila Dawson 0191 3872233	Relevant Executive Members Corporate Management Team	In writing or by telephone to the Acting Head of Regeneration or by email to leiladawson@chester-le-street.gov.uk
Review of Industrial/Business Sites Findings of Overview and Scrutiny Ad Hoc Panel	Executive	February 2009	Leila Dawson 0191 3872233	Relevant Executive Members Corporate Management Team Ad-hoc scrutiny panel on industrial estates Industrial Estate tenants	In writing or by telephone to the Acting Head of Regeneration or by email to leiladawson@chester-le-street.gov.uk

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