

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE LEADER'S WORK PROGRAMME

1 November 2025 to 28 February 2026

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This Work Programme gives details of items on which key decisions are likely to be taken by the Borough Council's Executive Committee, or full Council, in the coming four months. "Key Decisions" are ones which are likely to:

- (i) result in the Council incurring expenditure, foregoing income or the making of savings in excess of £200,000 or which are otherwise significant having regard to the Council's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or
- (ii) be significant in terms of its effect on communities living or working in the area comprising two or more wards in the Borough;
- (iii) involve any proposal to cease to provide a Council service (other than a temporary cessation of service of not more than 6 months).

If you wish to make representations on the proposed decision you are encouraged to get in touch with the relevant report author as soon as possible before the proposed date of the decision. Contact details are provided. Alternatively, you may write to the Head of Legal, Democratic Services and Property Services, The Town Hall, Walter Stranz Square, Redditch, B98 8AH or e-mail: democratic@bromsgroveandredditch.gov.uk

The Executive Committee's meetings are normally held at 6.30pm on Tuesday evenings at the Town Hall. They are open to the public, except when confidential information is being discussed. If you wish to attend for a particular matter, it is advisable to check with the Democratic Services Team on (01527) 64252, ext: 3072 to make sure it is going ahead as planned. If you have any other queries, Democratic Services Officers will be happy to advise you. The full Council meets in accordance the Council's Calendar of Meetings. Meetings commence at 6.30pm.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Councillor Sharon Harvey – Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Environmental Services
Councillor Jane Spilsbury - Deputy Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Performance, Engagement and Governance
Councillor Ian Woodall - Portfolio Holder for Finance
Councillor Monica Stringfellow - Portfolio Holder for Community Services and Safeguarding Responsibilities
Councillor Juma Begum - Portfolio Holder for Community Spaces and Voluntary Sector
Councillor Juliet Barker Smith - Portfolio Holder for Leisure and Recreation
Councillor Bill Hartnett - Portfolio Holder for Housing
Councillor Jen Snape – Portfolio Holder for Climate Change and Biodiversity

Decision including Whether it is a key Decision	Decision Taker Date of Decision	Details of Exempt information (if any) and any additional information for noting	Documents submitted to Decision Maker / Background Papers List	Contact for Comments
Appointments to the Voluntary and Community Sector Grants Panel Key: No	Executive 6 Nov 2025		Report of the Assistant Director of Legal, Democratic and Procurement Services	Jess Bayley-Hill, Senior Democratic Services Officer (Redditch) Tel: 01527 64252 Ext: 3268
Medium Term Financial Plan Budget Update and Consultation Report 2026/2027 to 2028/29 Key: No	Executive 6 Nov 2025 Council 17 Nov 2025		Report of the Deputy Chief Executive & Finance Officer	Bob Watson, Deputy Chief Executive & Finance Officer Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3224
Quarter 2 2025/26 Finance Monitoring Report (including Financial Saving and Half Yearly Treasury Management Report) Key: No	Executive 6 Nov 2025 Council 17 Nov 2025		Report of the Deputy Chief Executive & Finance Officer	Debra Goodall, Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3070
Quarter 2 2025/26 Performance Monitoring Report Key: No	Executive 6 Nov 2025		Report of the Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services	Rebecca Green, Policy Manager Tel: 01527 881616
Bereavement Services – Burial Strategy Key: No	Executive 25 Nov 2025		Report of the Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services	Doug Henderson, Environmental Services Manager Tel: 01527 64252

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Cyber security update (including WhatsApp and AI Policy) Key: No	Executive 25 Nov 2025		Report of the Deputy Chief Executive & Finance Officer	Mark Hanwell, ICT Transformation Manager Tel: 01527 881248
Homelessness Prevention Grant and Domestic Abuse Grant Key: No	Executive 25 Nov 2025		Report of the Assistant Director Community and Housing Services	Sandra Hartles, Homelessness and Housing Solutions Officer Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3707
Leisure Concession Policy Review Key: No	Executive 25 Nov 2025		Report of the Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services, Assistant Director of Planning and Leisure Services	Chris Wells, Contracts & Utilities Officer Tel: 01527 64252 ext 2559
Pet Cremation Service Key: No	Executive 25 Nov 2025 Council 26 Jan 2026		Report of the	Doug Henderson, Environmental Services Manager, Adam Smith, Bereavement Services Manager Tel: 01527 64252, Tel: 01527 64252

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Quarter 2 Housing Improvement Plan Update Key: Yes	Executive 25 Nov 2025		Report of the Assistant Director Community and Housing Services, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services	Simon Parry, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services, Judith Willis, Assistant Director Community and Housing Services Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3201, Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3348
Quarter 2 Housing Performance Key: Yes	Executive 25 Nov 2025		Report of the Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services, Assistant Director Community and Housing Services	Simon Parry, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services, Judith Willis, Assistant Director Community and Housing Services Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3201, Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3348
Repairs and Maintenance Policy Key: No	Executive 25 Nov 2025		Report of the Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services	Andrew Rainbow, Housing Property Services Manager (Interim) Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 1678
Biodiversity First Consideration Report Key: No	Executive 13 Jan 2026		Report of the Assistant Director Community and Housing Services	Matthew Eccles, Climate Change Manager Tel: 01527 881259

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Climate Change Strategy 2026 to 2031 Key: No	Executive 13 Jan 2026 Council 26 Jan 2026		Report of the Assistant Director Community and Housing Services	Matthew Eccles, Climate Change Manager Tel: 01527 881259
Council Tax Base Report 2026/27 Key: No	Executive 13 Jan 2026 Council 26 Jan 2026		Report of the Deputy Chief Executive & Finance Officer	Bob Watson, Deputy Chief Executive & Finance Officer Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3224
Construction of Redditch Innovation Centre' Key: Yes	Executive 13 Jan 2026	This report may contain exempt information that would need to be considered in private session	Report of the Assistant Director Regeneration and Property Services	Neil Batt, Regeneration Project Delivery Manager Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3119
Council Tax - Empty Homes Discounts and Premiums 2026/27 Key: No	Executive 13 Jan 2026 Council 26 Jan 2026		Report of the Deputy Chief Executive & Finance Officer	Bob Watson, Deputy Chief Executive & Finance Officer Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3224

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Council Tax Support Scheme 2026/27 Key: No	Executive 13 Jan 2026 Council 26 Jan 2026		Report of the Deputy Chief Executive & Finance Officer	Bob Watson, Deputy Chief Executive & Finance Officer Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3224
Discretionary Council Tax Reduction Policy 2026/27 Key: No	Executive 13 Jan 2026 Council 26 Jan 2026		Report of the Deputy Chief Executive & Finance Officer	Bob Watson, Deputy Chief Executive & Finance Officer Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3224
Housing Revenue Account Rent Setting 26/27 Key: Yes	Executive 13 Jan 2026 Council 26 Jan 2026		Report of the Deputy Chief Executive & Finance Officer	Bob Watson, Deputy Chief Executive & Finance Officer Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3224
Medium Term Financial Plan Stage 1 Budget Report 2026/2027 Key: No	Executive 13 Jan 2026 Council 26 Jan 2026		Report of the Deputy Chief Executive & Finance Officer	Bob Watson, Deputy Chief Executive & Finance Officer Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3224
Business Rates - Discretionary Rates Relief Policy 2026/27 Key: No	Executive 13 Jan 2026 Council 26 Jan 2026		Report of the Deputy Chief Executive & Finance Officer	Bob Watson, Deputy Chief Executive & Finance Officer Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3224

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Auxerre House Refurbishment and Regeneration Key: Yes	Executive 9 Feb 2026	This report may contain exempt information that would need to be considered in private session	Report of the Assistant Director Community and Housing Services, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services	Andrew Rainbow, Housing Property Services Manager (Interim) Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 1678
Grants to Voluntary Bodies Awarding of Grants Key: No	Executive 9 Feb 2026		Report of the Assistant Director Community and Housing Services	Tara Day, Support Manager Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3162
Medium Term Financial Plan Budget Report 2026/2027 to 2028/29 Key: No	Executive 9 Feb 2026 Council 23 Feb 2026		Report of the Deputy Chief Executive & Finance Officer	Bob Watson, Deputy Chief Executive & Finance Officer Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3224
Quarter 3 Housing Improvement Plan Update Key: Yes	Executive 9 Feb 2026		Report of the Assistant Director Community and Housing Services, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services	Simon Parry, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services, Judith Willis, Assistant Director Community and Housing Services Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3201, Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3348

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Quarter 3 Housing Performance Key: Yes	Executive 9 Feb 2026		Report of the Assistant Director Community and Housing Services, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services	Simon Parry, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services, Judith Willis, Assistant Director Community and Housing Services Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3201, Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3348
Council Tax Resolution 2026/27 Key: No	Executive 23 Feb 2026 Council 23 Feb 2026		Report of the Deputy Chief Executive & Finance Officer	Bob Watson, Deputy Chief Executive & Finance Officer Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3224
Quarter 3 2025/26 Finance Monitoring Report (including Financial Savings) Key: No	Executive 17 Mar 2026 Council 18 May 2026		Report of the Deputy Chief Executive & Finance Officer	Debra Goodall, Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3070
Quarter 3 2025/26 Performance Monitoring Report Key: No	Executive 17 Mar 2026		Report of the Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services	Rebecca Green, Policy Manager Tel: 01527 881616

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Voluntary Sector Grants Scheme 2026/27 to 2029/30 Key: No	Executive 2 Sep 2025 Council 15 Sep 2025		Report of the Assistant Director Community and Housing Services	Judith Willis, Assistant Director Community and Housing Services Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3348