## WORK PROGRAMME



## 1 December 2025 to 31 March 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
Rubicon Leisure Council Funding and Support <b>Key:</b> No	Shareholders Committee 1 Dec 2025	This report might contain exempt information that may need to be considered in private session.	Report of the Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services	Debra Goodall, Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3070
Rubicon Leisure Quarter 2 Performance Monitoring Report 2025-26 <b>Key:</b> No	Shareholders Committee 1 Dec 2025	This report might contain exempt information that may need to be considered in private session.	Report of the Assistant Director of Planning and Leisure Services	Ruth Bamford, Assistant Director Planning, Regeneration and Leisure Services Tel: 01527 64252 Ext: 3219
Biodiversity First Consideration Report <b>Key:</b> No	Executive 13 Jan 2026		Report of the Assistant Director Community and Housing Services	Matthew Eccles, Climate Change Manager Tel: 01527 881259
Business Rates - Discretionary Rates Relief Policy 2026/27 <b>Key:</b> No	Executive 13 Jan 2026  Council 26 Jan 2026		Report of the Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services	David Riley, Financial Services Manager Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3382

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Council Tax Base Report 2026/27 <b>Key:</b> No	Executive 13 Jan 2026 Council 26 Jan 2026		Report of the Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services	David Riley, Financial Services Manager Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3382
Council Tax - Empty Homes Discounts and Premiums 2026/27 <b>Key:</b> No	Executive 13 Jan 2026 Council 26 Jan 2026		Report of the Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services	David Riley, Financial Services Manager Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3382
Council Tax Support Scheme 2026/27 <b>Key:</b> No	Executive 13 Jan 2026 Council 26 Jan 2026		Report of the Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services	David Riley, Financial Services Manager Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3382
Discretionary Council Tax Reduction Policy 2026/27 <b>Key:</b> No	Executive 13 Jan 2026 Council 26 Jan 2026		Report of the Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services	David Riley, Financial Services Manager Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3382

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Homelessness Prevention Grant Funding 2026/27 to 2028/29 (including Rough Sleeper Grant) and Domestic Abuse Grant <b>Key:</b> Yes	Executive 13 Jan 2026  Council 26 Jan 2026		Report of the Assistant Director Community and Housing Services	Amanda Delahunty, Acting Housing Strategy and Enabling Manager Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 1269
Housing Revenue Account Rent Setting 26/27 <b>Key:</b> No	Executive 13 Jan 2026 Council 26 Jan 2026		Report of the Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services	Debra Goodall, Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3070
Leisure Concession Policy Review <b>Key:</b> No	Executive 13 Jan 2026		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

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Medium Term Financial Plan 2026-27 to 28-29 Fees and Charges and consultation outcome including Worcestershire Regulatory Services Budget Recommendations Key: No	Executive 13 Jan 2026		Report of the Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services	Debra Goodall, Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3070
Bereavement Services – Burial Strategy <b>Key:</b> No	Executive 25 Nov 2025 Council 26 Jan 2026		Report of the Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services	Doug Henderson, Environmental Services Manager Tel: 01527 64252
Quarter 2 2025/26 Finance Monitoring Report (including Financial Saving and Half Yearly Treasury Management Report) Key: No	Executive 25 Nov 2025  Council 26 Jan 2026		Report of the Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services	Debra Goodall, Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3070

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Auxerre House Refurbishment and Regeneration <b>Key:</b> 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
Climate Change Strategy 2026 to 2031 <b>Key:</b> No	Executive 9 Feb 2026  Council 23 Feb 2026		Report of the Assistant Director Community and Housing Services	Matthew Eccles, Climate Change Manager Tel: 01527 881259
Construction of Redditch Innovation Centre 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 Regeneration and Property Services	Neil Batt, Regeneration Project Delivery Manager Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3119

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Grants to Voluntary Bodies Awarding of Grants <b>Key:</b> 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 including Treasury Management Strategy, Capital Strategy and Investment Strategy) Key: No	Executive 9 Feb 2026  Council 23 Feb 2026		Report of the Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services	Debra Goodall, Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3070
Pet Cremation Service Key: No	Executive 9 Feb 2026  Council 23 Feb 2026		Report of the Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services	Doug Henderson, Environmental Services Manager, Adam Smith, Bereavement Services Manager Tel: 01527 64252, Tel: 01527 64252

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Quarter 3 Housing Improvement Plan Update <b>Key:</b> No	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, Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3201, Judith Willis, Assistant Director Community and Housing Services Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3348
Quarter 3 Housing Performance <b>Key:</b> No	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, Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3201, Judith Willis, Assistant Director Community and Housing Services Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3348
Repairs and Maintenance Policy <b>Key:</b> No	Executive 9 Feb 2026		Report of the Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services	Andrew Rainbow, Housing Property Services Manager (Interim) Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 1678

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Council Tax Resolution 2026/27 <b>Key:</b> No	Executive 23 Feb 2026  Council 23 Feb 2026		Report of the Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services	David Riley, Financial Services Manager Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3382
Quarter 3 2025/26 Finance Monitoring Report (including Financial Savings) <b>Key:</b> No	Executive 17 Mar 2026  Council Not before 1st Jun 2026		Report of the Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services	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