

Notice of Cabinet



Date: Wednesday, 27 May 2026 at 10.15 am

Venue: HMS Phoebe, BCP Civic Centre, Bournemouth BH2 6DY

Membership:

Chairman:

Cllr M Earl

Vice Chairman:

Cllr M Cox

Cllr D Brown
Cllr R Burton
Cllr A Hadley

Cllr J Hanna
Cllr R Herrett
Cllr A Martin

Cllr S Moore
Cllr K Wilson

All Members of the Cabinet are summoned to attend this meeting to consider the items of business set out on the agenda below.

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If you would like any further information on the items to be considered at the meeting please contact: Sarah Culwick (01202 817615) on 01202 096660 or email democratic.services@bcpcouncil.gov.uk

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE

18 May 2026

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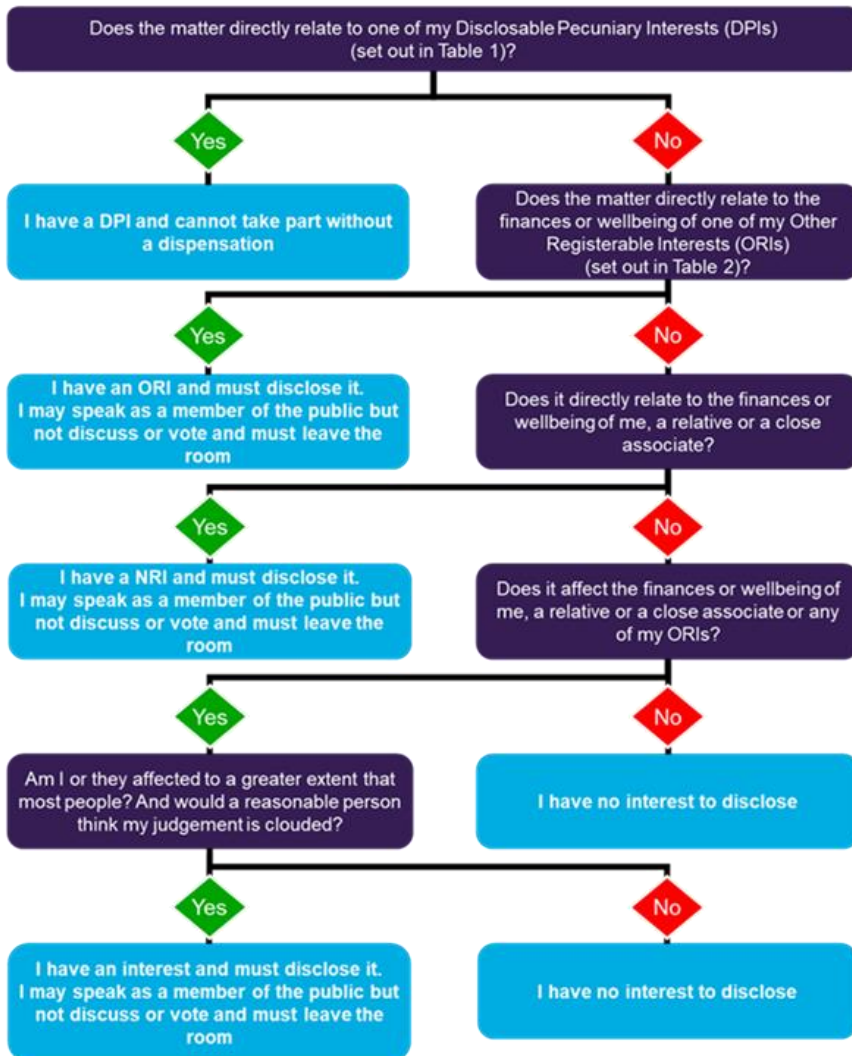


Maintaining and promoting high standards of conduct

Declaring interests at meetings

Familiarise yourself with the Councillor Code of Conduct which can be found in Part 6 of the Council's Constitution.

Before the meeting, read the agenda and reports to see if the matters to be discussed at the meeting concern your interests



What are the principles of bias and pre-determination and how do they affect my participation in the meeting?

Bias and predetermination are common law concepts. If they affect you, your participation in the meeting may call into question the decision arrived at on the item.

Bias Test

In all the circumstances, would it lead a fair minded and informed observer to conclude that there was a real possibility or a real danger that the decision maker was biased?

Predetermination Test

At the time of making the decision, did the decision maker have a closed mind?

If a councillor appears to be biased or to have predetermined their decision, they must NOT participate in the meeting.

For more information or advice please contact the Monitoring Officer

Selflessness

Councillors should act solely in terms of the public interest

Integrity

Councillors must avoid placing themselves under any obligation to people or organisations that might try inappropriately to influence them in their work. They should not act or take decisions in order to gain financial or other material benefits for themselves, their family, or their friends. They must declare and resolve any interests and relationships

Objectivity

Councillors must act and take decisions impartially, fairly and on merit, using the best evidence and without discrimination or bias

Accountability

Councillors are accountable to the public for their decisions and actions and must submit themselves to the scrutiny necessary to ensure this

Openness

Councillors should act and take decisions in an open and transparent manner. Information should not be withheld from the public unless there are clear and lawful reasons for so doing

Honesty & Integrity

Councillors should act with honesty and integrity and should not place themselves in situations where their honesty and integrity may be questioned

Leadership

Councillors should exhibit these principles in their own behaviour. They should actively promote and robustly support the principles and be willing to challenge poor behaviour wherever it occurs

AGENDA

Items to be considered while the meeting is open to the public

1. Apologies

To receive any apologies for absence from Councillors.

2. Declarations of Interests

Councillors are requested to declare any interests on items included in this agenda. Please refer to the workflow on the preceding page for guidance.

Declarations received will be reported at the meeting.

3. Confirmation of Minutes

To confirm and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Meeting held on 26 March 2026.

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4. Public Issues

To receive any public questions, statements or petitions submitted in accordance with the Constitution. Further information on the requirements for submitting these is available to view at the following link:-

<https://democracy.bcpCouncil.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CommitteeID=151&Info=1&bcr=1>

The deadline for the submission of public questions is mid-day on Wednesday 20 May 2026 [12 noon, 3 clear working days before the meeting].

The deadline for the submission of a statement is mid-day Tuesday 26 May 2026 [mid-day the working day before the meeting].

The deadline for the submission of a petition is Tuesday 12 May 2026 [10 working days before the meeting].

5. Recommendations from the Overview and Scrutiny Committees

To consider recommendations from the Overview and Scrutiny committees on items not otherwise included on the Cabinet Agenda.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

6. Local Plan process

In June 2025, Cabinet agreed to prepare a new Local Plan under the Government's reformed plan-making system. The Government has now published the Regulations and guidance setting out the new process, which is intended to enable plans to be prepared and adopted within 30 months from Gateway 1. This report summarises the process and proposed timetable for preparing the new BCP Local Plan and seeks authorisation to undertake the Stage 1 ("Getting ready") activities, together with delegated authority to progress the Plan through the prescribed Gateway stages. Cabinet decisions will remain for each formal consultation stage. A cross

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party Working Group is being set up to guide the Local Plan.

7. Updating Library Byelaws

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The Department of Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) published a revised set of 'Public Library Byelaws for England' in March 2025 (updated August 2025).

DCMS state library byelaws are aimed at helping libraries to offer a "safe and comfortable environment and to make libraries places everyone can enjoy". They also aid the "library workforce to deal with disruptive behaviour and allow for flexibility in dealing with local concerns".

BCP Council has not updated its library byelaws since local government review and thus we are still operating with separate versions in place for the legacy authority areas.

The library service would like to update its byelaws to bring consistency across areas, but also because the new version produced by the DCMS are more modern and a better fit for life as it is today.

This report presents the draft byelaws and seeks support to undertake the necessary next steps to enable us to adopt them.

8. Social Value Statement for BCP Council

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BCP Council does not have a Social Value Policy nor a Social Value Statement.

In June 2025, CMB convened a Social Value Working Group to develop the Council's Social Value Statement, aligned to priorities within the Corporate Plan and BCP's Procurement and Contract Management Strategy.

Scope of the Social Value Statement includes leveraging social value through:

- Procurement and contract management
- External offers relating to Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)
- Planning
- Economic Development
- Community-based projects.

This Report has been brought to Cabinet for a decision to adopt the Social Value Statement.

The Social Value Statement is presented at Appendix 1.

9. Winchelsea School Satellite Unit and Post 16 Place Expansion

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In line with statutory guidance on making significant changes to maintained schools, this report outlines the proposal to create a new Winchelsea School satellite unit and nursery at Stanley Green Infant Academy, in addition to expanding post-16 places at Winchelsea School's Broadstone Youth Centre site. These developments support the council's duty to provide sufficient specialist school places and form part of a wider programme to expand high-quality local SEND provision. The proposal responds to rising demand for specialist places driven by increasing numbers of Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCPs) and the resulting reliance on independent and non-maintained special schools.

By using surplus space available at Stanley Green Infant Academy and at Broadstone Youth Centre for post-16 provision, the Council aims to strengthen local capacity so that more children and young people can access appropriate education closer to home. Increasing provision will reduce the need for costly out-of-area placements, often involving higher fees and significant transport costs, while improving outcomes by enabling pupils to remain within their communities and delivering long-term financial efficiencies for the Council.

10. Urgent Decisions taken by the Chief Executive in accordance with the Constitution

The Chief Executive to report on any decisions taken under urgency provisions in accordance with the Constitution.

11. Cabinet Forward Plan

To consider the latest version of the Cabinet Forward Plan for approval.

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No other items of business can be considered unless the Chairman decides the matter is urgent for reasons that must be specified and recorded in the Minutes.