

CABINET FORWARD PLAN – 1 FEBRUARY 2026 TO 31 MAY 2026

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Budget Monitoring 2025-26 at Quarter three	To update Cabinet on the financial position of the council.	No	Cabinet 4 Feb 2026 Council 10 Feb 2026	All Wards	N/a	N/a	Adam Richens	Open
Housing Revenue Account (HRA) budget setting 2026-27	To seek approval for rent and other charges to tenants and leaseholders for 2026-27 and proposed expenditure on the repair and maintenance of council homes.	No	Cabinet 4 Feb 2026 Council 24 Feb 2026	All Wards	Council tenants and leaseholders BCP Homes Advisory Board	Through established meetings and panels	Kelly Deane	Open

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Revised Local Validation Checklist	To provide an update the clear list of required documents and plans required to validate a planning application	No	Cabinet 4 Feb 2026		agents/ developers and officers	28 days. now completed.	Katie Herrington	Open
Bus Subsidy Review	To consider the outcome of a full network review of the council's subsidised local bus services and to recommend changes to Council to support budget setting for 2026/27 as well as informing the Medium Term Financial Plan.	Yes	Cabinet 4 Feb 2026 Council 10 Feb 2026	All Wards	Bus Passengers Bus Passenger Representative Organisations (including groups representing older people and people with disabilities) Schools Bus Operators Neighbouring authorities	Public consultation 16 June to 27 July 2025. On-line plus on-bus paper surveys.	John McVey, Richard Pincroft	Open

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School Admissions Arrangements 2027/28	Determination of the arrangements and proposed reduction of PAN for Burton Primary School following consultation.	No	Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee 27 Jan 2026 Cabinet 4 Feb 2026	All Wards	Public consultation	The proposal is detailed publicly from Monday 10 November 2025 until Monday 22 December 2025	Tanya Smith	Open
Early Years and Mainstream School Funding Formulae 2026/27	To decide the funding formulae for mainstream schools and early years providers for 2026/27.	No	Cabinet 4 Feb 2026 Council 10 Feb 2026	All Wards	Schools Forum	Schools Forum in January (schools formula) and February (early years).	Nicola Webb	Open
Hawkwood Road phase 2 update	To update requirements of previous recommendations	No	Cabinet 4 Feb 2026 Council 10 Feb 2026	Boscombe West			Remi Oshibanjo	Open

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Christchurch Business Improvement District	To consider the report	No	Cabinet 4 Feb 2026	Christchurch Town			Paula Sales	Fully exempt
Budget 2026/27 and Medium Term Financial Plan	To set out for Cabinet's consideration and recommendation to Council the proposed 2026/27 budget and council tax.	No	Overview and Scrutiny Board 9 Feb 2026 Cabinet 11 Feb 2026 Council 24 Feb 2026	All Wards			Adam Richens	Open
Pokesdown Railway Station	Progress update	No	Cabinet 11 Feb 2026 Council 24 Feb 2026	Boscombe East & Pokesdown			Richard Pincroft	Open

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Asset Disposal	To consider a report on the disposal of assets.	No	Cabinet 4 Mar 2026				Adam Richens	Open
Corporate Performance Report - Q3	Progress update on performance against key measures in the Corporate Strategy.	No	Cabinet 4 Mar 2026	All Wards	n/a	n/a	Isla Reynolds	Open
Climate Action Annual Report	The annual update of progress made against the Council's climate action ambitions.	No	Cabinet 4 Mar 2026	All Wards			Isla Reynolds, Gail Scholes, Martin Gardner	Open

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Laptop refresh funding	To seek approval of laptop replacement strategy and approve budget allocation.	Yes	Cabinet 4 Mar 2026	All Wards			Fiona Hughes	Open
Increased Penalty Charge Notice and Associated Charges Trial	To share the report compiled for the DfT in reference to the increased Penalty Charge Notice and associated charges trial held in part of BCP Council area through August 2025	No	Cabinet 4 Mar 2026	All Wards	There is no decision to be made - the report is for information only	N/A	Helen Taverner	Open
BCP Council Discretions policy (pension)	Amendments to align with changes to policy	No	Cabinet 4 Mar 2026	All Wards			Sarah Deane	Open

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Water Safety Framework	The Water Safety framework's aim is to provide a clear approach to water safety for the prevention of drowning across the BCP Council conurbation	No	Cabinet 4 Mar 2026	All Wards			Amanda Barrie, Helen Wildman	Open
Highway Searches Charging Policy	Establishing a formal framework for how BCP Council will manage, process and charge for written highway search enquiries.	No	Cabinet 4 Mar 2026	All Wards			Adam Fancy, Jane Potter	Open
Our Place and Environment: Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) for Winton-Moordown 20mph Speed Limit (S112)	To consider the outputs of the Winton-Moordown 20mph Speed Limit Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) consultation.	Yes	Transportation Advisory Group 25 Feb 2026 Cabinet 4 Mar 2026	Moordown; Queen's Park; Redhill & Northbourne ; Talbot & Branksome Woods; Wallisdown & Winton West; Winton East	This has already been undertaken and the report is presenting the outputs to confirm future steps.	n/a	Richard Pincroft	Open

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Our Place and Environment: Local Area Bus Grant (LABG) 2026/27	To seek council approval to accept and invest the 2026/27 Local Area Bus Grant (LABG) allocation which is a combination of both capital and revenue funding.	No	Transportation Advisory Group 25 Feb 2026 Cabinet 4 Mar 2026 Council 24 Mar 2026	All Wards	Enhanced Bus Partnership Members - this was undertaken on 22 Jan 2026. The recommendation is aligned with the council Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP).	The BSIP and establishment of the Enhanced Bus Partnership has previously been consulted upon.	Richard Pincroft	Open

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Our Place and Environment: BCP Council Lane Rental Scheme	The council has consulted on the potential establishment of a Lane Rental Scheme (LRS) which would enable the council to charge up to £2,500 per day for works on the busiest roads at the busiest times. This report presents the outputs of the consultation and seeks approval to apply to the Secretary of State for Transport to establish a BCP Lane Rental Scheme.	Yes	Transportation Advisory Group 25 Feb 2026 Cabinet 4 Mar 2026 Council 24 Mar 2026	All Wards	Statutory Undertakers that work on/utilise the public highway. Residents.	15 Dec 2025 to 1 Feb 2026 public consultation has been undertaken.	Richard Pincroft	Open

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Our Place and Environment: Active Travel Funding 2026/27	Recommends how the grant award could be invested and seeks delegated authority to facilitate delivery in alignment with the Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) approved by Council in May 2022.	No	Transportation Advisory Group 25 Feb 2026 Cabinet 4 Mar 2026 Council 24 Mar 2026	All Wards	Recommendation aligned with the Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) approved by Council in May 2022 following public consultation. Recommendation to be debated at TAG.	see above	Richard Pincroft	Open

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Our Place and Environment: Local Transport Consolidated Funding Programme 2026/27	Sets out recommended programme based on BCP allocated Local Transport Consolidated Funding for 2026/27 and seeks delegation to facilitate delivery. Also seeks delegation to submit draft future year programmes to the Department for Transport (DfT) in line with new grant condition requirements.	Yes	Transportation Advisory Group 25 Feb 2026 Cabinet 4 Mar 2026 Council 24 Mar 2026	All Wards	The programme is based on the highest priorities that align with the adopted Local Transport Plan (LTP) and shall be scrutinised by TAG which will make recommendation to Cabinet enroute to Council	see above	Richard Pincroft	Open
Supported & Specialist Housing Strategy 2025 to 2035	To introduce the Supported & Specialist Housing Strategy for the next 10 years	No	Environment and Place Overview and Scrutiny Committee 25 Feb 2026 Cabinet 4 Mar 2026	All Wards	Experts by experience, Adults Social Care, Childrens Social Care, Adults Commissioning, Childrens Commissioning, NHS Dorset, Dorset Healthcare, Local Registered Providers	Workshops and meetings Autumn 2025	m	Open

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Resourced Provision at Somerford Primary School	To approve the establishment of a new Resourced Provision for children with SEN using space within Somerford Primary School	No	Cabinet 4 Mar 2026	Burton & Grange	Public consultation with stakeholders to include parents, school staff, neighbouring schools leadership, local people with an interest in SEND provision.	Four week public consultation which concludes 9 February 2026 with a Council decision then required.	Tanya Smith	Open
Children in Care Outline Business Case	To secure approval and funding for a new targeted programme of transformation focussing on reducing Children in Care numbers and associated costs.	No	Cabinet 4 Mar 2026	All Wards			Tanya England	Open

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Children's Services Capital Strategy Report 2026-2028	The purpose is to update members of capital spend in the 2025/26 financial year and set out capital spending priorities for the next 3 years.	No	Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee 27 Jan 2026 Cabinet 4 Mar 2026	All Wards			Jason Moors	Open
Best Start in Life Local Plan	To update Cabinet on the development of BCP's Best Start in Life Local Plan, which delivers the Government's strategy for improving outcomes from pregnancy to age five and meets the requirement to publish a local plan by 31 March 2026	No	Cabinet 4 Mar 2026	All Wards			Juliette Blake	Open

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BCP Council Public Waste Bin Provision Policy	This proposed policy seeks to establish the principles that will guide the future selection and installation of all public waste bins, the review of existing bin sites, and the application of appropriate bin designs in suitable locations.	No	Cabinet 1 Apr 2026	All Wards			Kate Langdown	Open
Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy 2026-2031	To inform on the impact of the Strategy since 2021, propose new Strategy and agree the related Delivery Plan	No	Environment and Place Overview and Scrutiny Committee 25 Feb 2026 Cabinet 1 Apr 2026	All Wards			Rachel Stewart	Open

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Childcare Sufficiency Assessment 2025/26	Local Authorities must regularly report to elected members on the local childcare sufficiency position, and make findings public on the council website.	No	Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee 10 Mar 2026 Cabinet 1 Apr 2026	All Wards			Lisa Linscott	Open
Local Plan process	To consider key elements needed for the preparation of the Local Plan.	Yes	Cabinet 27 May 2026	All Wards			Caroline Peach	Open
BCP Homes Performance	To provide quarterly performance to Cabinet to provide assurance that the management of council homes is effective	No	Cabinet 27 May 2026	All Wards	Council tenants and leaseholders BCP Homes Advisory Board	Through established meetings	Kelly Deane	Open

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The development of a framework of registered housing providers (RPs) to deliver affordable housing using BCP sites		Yes	Cabinet 27 May 2026	All Wards			Kerry-Marie Ruff	
Local Transport Plan 4 (LTP4)	To present outputs from Local Transport Plan 4 (LTP4) consultation and to present proposed LTP4 Policy Document complete with Implementation Plan for approval/adoption.	Yes	Environment and Place Overview and Scrutiny Committee 20 May 2026 Cabinet 27 May 2026 Council 2 Jun 2026	All Wards	Residents (BCP and neighbouring authorities), partners, organisations and businesses that operate/exist in BCP area and are impacted by transport.	Exact dates tbc, but 6 to 8 week public consultation required, note: LTP4 engagement was facilitated in Spring 2024.	Wendy Lane, Richard Pincroft	Open

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Holly Tree Lodge Public Mortuary - Capacity investment	The report details the increasing demands placed on the Dorset Public Mortuary located at Holly Tree Lodge Bournemouth, and seeks an investment decision to: Meet current and future storage capacity needs. Ensure the mortuary remains HTA compliant. Provide resilience to winter surges and exceptional events. Protect the dignity, security and condition of the deceased.	No	Cabinet 27 May 2026	All Wards			Kate Langdown	Open

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Corporate Performance Report - Q4	BCP Council adopted 'A shared vision for Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole 2024-28' in May 2024. The shared vision is the Corporate Strategy, which incorporates a set of measures of progress for achieving the vision, priorities and ambitions. This is the performance monitoring report for Quarter Four 25-26, presenting an update on the progress measures.	No	Cabinet 24 Jun 2026	All Wards			Chris Shephard	Open

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Youth Justice Plan 2026-2027	To present the Youth Justice Plan for 2026/27. There is a statutory requirement to publish an annual Youth Justice Plan which must provide specified information about the local provision of youth justice services. This report summarises the Youth Justice Plan for 2026/27, with a copy of the Plan appended. The Youth Justice Plan needs to be approved by the full Council. This report also outlines progress made by the Youth Justice Service in the past year, and priorities for the year ahead.	No	Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee 16 Jun 2026 Cabinet 24 Jun 2026 Council 28 Jul 2026	All Wards			Kerrie Ainley, Sophie Bradfield, Tanya England, David Webb	Open

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Housing Strategy Review	To provide an annual update about the delivery of the BCP Housing Strategy 2021-2027	No	Environment and Place Overview and Scrutiny Committee 20 May 2026 Cabinet 24 Jun 2026	All Wards			Rachel Stewart	Open

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Corporate Performance Report - Q1	BCP Council adopted 'A shared vision for Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole 2024-28' in May 2024. The shared vision is the Corporate Strategy, which incorporates a set of measures of progress for achieving the vision, priorities and ambitions. This is the performance monitoring report for Quarter One 26-27, presenting an update on the progress measures.	No	Cabinet 2 Sep 2026	All Wards			Chris Shephard	Open

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Special School Funding	It is recommended to: - Note the contents of this report - Agree for this piece of work to proceed as noted and be further considered with financial modelling available	No	Cabinet Date to be confirmed	All Wards				Open
DfE SEND review next steps	To consider the DfE review next steps	No	Cabinet Date to be confirmed				Rachel Gravett, Shirley McGillick, Sharon Muldoon	Fully exempt
Children's Services Early Help Offer	Summary of findings and recommendations from an ongoing review of our current Early Help services	No	Cabinet Date to be confirmed	All Wards			Zafer Yilkan	Open

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BCP Council Domestic Abuse Strategies	To gain agreement by Cabinet to publish the Prevention of Domestic Abuse Strategy, Safe Accommodation Strategy and the Perpetrator Strategy including delivery plans.	Yes	Cabinet Date to be confirmed	All Wards	People with lived experience, Health, Social Care, Police, third sector specialist organisations, Local Providers have all been consulted prior to the Public consultation.	Public consultation 09-03-25 to 28-04-25 O&S Safe Accommodation Working Group.	m	Open