

**STATUTORY FORWARD PLAN**

**KEY DECISIONS**  
(indicated by ■)

**01 JANUARY 2008 - 30 APRIL 2008**

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1] Receive a report on the outcome of consultation on Building Schools for the Future (BSF).	Ann Baxter	Councillor Alex Cunningham - Cabinet Member for Children & Young People	Cabinet		■												Schools, colleges, partner bodies, parents/carers, students	A consultation booklet setting out possible options for change has been	Response form for return to Freepost address; online response facility from	Cabinet report 27 September.	Key Decision  This is initial, non-statutory consultation on some possible options.

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The Authority expects to receive around £150 million of government funding under BSF to transform secondary education by renewing or refurbishing school buildings. To inform the preparation of a Strategy for Change document, initial consultation is being carried out on a range of possible options for future secondary school provision across the borough.																		prepared for general circulation in October 2007. This includes a schedule of meetings at all mainstream secondary schools for staff, governors, students, parents/carers and the general public. Copies of the booklet will be taken to meetings of the Renaissance area boards and other partner bodies. It will also be placed on the SBC website. Responses to consultation will be analysed by an independent company.	SBC website; other methods of making representations set out in the options booklet. Closing date for responses is 26 November 2007.		Other options may emerge from consultation. No changes can be made to any schools without further consultation at a later stage.

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2] Billingham Forum Update	N Schneider	Councillor Bob Cook - Cabinet Member for Regeneration & Transport, Cabinet Member for Arts, Culture and Leisure-Cllr Mrs Womphrey	Cabinet		■												Portfolio Members, Billingham Councillors, The Billingham Partnership, Tees Active Limited, Libraries, Access to Services	Email, briefings, face to face meetings	In writing (letter/email) Louise McDonald (louise.mcdonald@stockton.gov.uk) or telephone 01642 5289422 by 4 January 2008	Billingham Forum Cabinet report - January 2007	Key Decision  N/A
The report will formally report on the options analysis for the redevelopment/refurbishment of the Billingham Forum complex with detailed, costed information and recommendations.																					
3] Review of the Council's Core Funding to the Voluntary and Community Sectors	N Schneider	Councillor Bob Cook - Cabinet Member for Regeneration & Transport	Cabinet		■												Elected Members and Voluntary/Community Sector Representatives	Briefing sessions for Members, correspondence, questionnaires and meetings.	Contact Stephen Shaw by writing or email to stephen.shaw@stockton.gov.uk or telephone 01642 526446 by 1 December 2007.	Cabinet report of 1 February 2007	Key Decision  Revised Date January 2008 – Revised date required to allow time for Catalyst the Voluntary Sector's New Umbrella organisation to become functional
To agree the principles of the Council's financial support to Stockton's voluntary and community sectors by means of core grant. The review will include consultation throughout these sectors, with Elected Members and Officers.																					

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4] Stockton Local Development Framework - To endorse the findings of a Sustainable Villages Study	N Schneider	Councillor Bob Cook - Cabinet Member for Regeneration & Transport	Cabinet, Council		■												Planning Committee, Cabinet	Report to meeting.	Contact Rosemary Young, Spatial Planning Manager, on 01642 526054	N/A	Key Decision N/A
The study will be used to provide the evidence base to support the implementation of policy CS1 Spatial Strategy of the Local Development Framework Core Strategy Preferred Options.																					
5] Stockton-on-Tees Local Development Framework. To endorse the Environmental Development Plan Document Issues and Options and Sustainability Appraisal for public consultation	N Schneider	Councillor Bob Cook - Cabinet Member for Regeneration & Transport	Cabinet, Council		■												Planning Committee, Cabinet	Report to Meeting	Contact Rosemary Young, Spatial Planning Manager, on 01642 526054 or email to rosemary.young@stockton.gov.uk	N/A	Key Decision N/A
The Environment DPD will set out Borough-wide policies and sites concerning the built and natural environments (including Green Wedges, nature conservation sites, open spaces and the historic environment). The Issues and Options report is the first procedural stage in its preparation.																					

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6] Thornaby Town Centre Redevelopment	Corporate Director Development and Neighbourhood Services	Councillor Bob Cook - Cabinet Member for Regeneration & Transport	Cabinet		■												Thornfield Properties Plc, ward Councillors, Councillor R. Cook, Land and Property Services, Head of Strategic Finance.	Face to face meetings.	Face to face meetings, or in writing to Nigel Laws at nigel.laws@stockton.gov.uk, or telephone 01642 527565 by Friday 7th December 2007	2005 Cabinet report	Key Decision	
General Town Centre Update, and request for further monies to be drawn down from the Capital Receipt.																						
7] To endorse the Joint Minerals and Waste Core Strategy and Site Allocations Development Plan Documents Preferred Options for public consultation purposes	N Schneider	Councillor Bob Cook - Cabinet Member for Regeneration & Transport	Cabinet, Council		■												Planning Committee, Cabinet	Report to Meeting	Contact Rosemary Young, Spatial Planning Manager, on 01642 526054 or by email to rosemary.young@stockton.gov.uk	N/A	Key Decision N/A	
The Core Strategy will set out the strategic vision for meeting known and anticipated waste management and mineral working requirements until 2021 and will show broad locations where development may happen. The Site Allocations DPD will set out specific site allocations for minerals and waste activity across the Tees Valley and the provision of policies to determine applications for minerals and waste activity in the Borough.																						

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8] To endorse the findings of the Stockton-on-Tees Local Development Framework Employment Land Review Stage 2	N Schneider	Councillor Bob Cook - Cabinet Member for Regeneration & Transport	Cabinet, Council		■												Planning Committee, Cabinet	Reports to meeting	Contact Rosemary Young, Spatial Planning Manager, on 01642 526054 or by email to rosemary.young@stockton.gov.uk	Employment Land Review Stage 2 - Nathaniel Lichfield & Partners. Employment Land Reviews - Guidance Note. Office of the Deputy Prime Minister December 2004.	Key Decision N/A
Nathaniel Lichfield & Partners were commissioned to undertake Stage 2 of the Employment Land Review to underpin policy development on employment matters in the Local Development Framework Core Strategy and Regeneration DPDs. This report will inform members of the findings of this study and any recommendations.																					
9] Travellers Transit Site	D.Bond	Cabinet Member for Environment-Cllr J Beaumont, Councillor Bob Cook - Cabinet Member for Regeneration & Transport	Cabinet, based on recommendations of Housing and Community Safety Select Committee			■											To be determined by the Select Committee	To be determined by the Select Committee	via Peter Mennear, Democratic Services peter.mennear@stockton.gov.uk 01642 528957	Report to Cabinet 25 October 2007	Key Decision
Housing & Community Safety Select Committee-Select best site option for Travellers Transit Site																					

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10] Accept tender and form contract to build a new dual purpose teaching and community use building at Abbey Hill School.	Ann Baxter	Councillor Alex Cunningham - Cabinet Member for Children & Young People	Corporate Director in consultation with Cabinet Member			■											School Governors Headteacher and staff.	Various meeting with Governors school senior management and local authority officers.	by e-mail to ken.richards on@stockton.gov.uk 30-11-2007	Project within CESC Capital Programme	Key Decision  None
A successful bid for funding was made to the then DfES to allow the building of a new state of the art stand alone building at Abbey Hill School which will replace an old building which was part of the former Sheraton School. This building will be used by the school for teaching and by the local community after school hours.																					
11] Delivering Affordable Housing – Framework and Approach	Neil Schneider	Councillor Steve Nelson - Cabinet Member for Housing and Community Safety	Cabinet			■											All members Potential private sector and Registered Social Landlord	Meetings	Via email to jane.edmonds@stockton.gov.uk or tel 01642 526682 by 31/01/08	Local Housing Assessment (Dec 2006), copy available in the Members	Key Decision  In direct response to the affordable housing



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Development of a Home Ownership Register and associated policy.																	Partners The Housing and Neighbourhood Partnership Internal colleagues – Planning and Legal			library and on the SBC website.	shortage in the Borough to develop a Home Ownership Register and Policy to ensure access to the intermediate housing market (i.e. shared ownership, equity share and discounted homebuy) for those within our Borough struggling to access the Housing Market. In addition, to ensure the Council fulfills its nomination agreements to S106 agreements and Development Agreements that include the requirement of a developer/home use builder to deliver units of affordable housing.

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12] Single Equality Scheme - Third Edition	Helen Dean - Assistant Chief Executive (Acting)	Cllr Laing-Cabinet Member for Corporate and Social Inclusion	Cabinet				■										All council services, partners, members and the community.	A variety of methods will be used to inform the development of the Scheme, including a large "Tell us what you think" event, smaller consultation events, website based questionnaires and analysis of survey results. A draft scheme will be subject to the usual consultation approaches.	Interested persons will be able to inform the development of the scheme and comment on the draft document through the methods described above. Comments will be sought until February 2008.	Reference to appropriate background papers will be included within the Cabinet report. The current edition of the Single Equality Scheme is available on the Council's website.	Key Decision
Cabinet will be requested to endorse the third edition of the Council's Single Equality Scheme which will include the statutory update of the Race Equality Plan.																					
13] Housing Futures – Completion of the Option Appraisal	Neil Schneider	Councillor Steve Nelson - Cabinet Member for Housing and Community Safety	Cabinet				■										All members Council tenants and leaseholders StaffTrade Unions	Members – Briefing meetings Council tenants and leaseholders –	Email to jane.edmonds@stockton.gov.uk or tel 01642 526682 by 17/12/07	Cabinet report 2.8.07 'Housing Futures and Revised Capital Programme'	Key Decision  Following completion of a comprehensive option

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Completion of Option Appraisal of the Councils housing stock, including details of the preferred option.																		Consultation meeting, Newsletters Staff and TU – staff meetings and newsletters			appraisal of the Councils Housing stock (against pre-determined criteria) to advise of the positives and negatives of each option and to seek endorsement for the preferred option
14] Council Plan and Service Improvement Plans	H.Dean	Leader of the Council-Cllr Lupton, Cllr Laing-Cabinet Member for Corporate and Social Inclusion	Cabinet, Council				■										Councillors, Staff	Special Events, cascade briefing	Contact Helen Dean, Head of Policy and Performance, on 01642 527003 or email helen.dean@stockton.gov.uk	N/A	Key Decision  N/A
To consider for approval the Council Plan and Service Improvement Plans 2008 - 2011																					