

CABINET DECISIONS 2025/26

Date	Title	Portfolio Holder	Status	Decision	Reasons for Decision
11 Sept 2025	<p>Simpler Recycling</p> <p><i>Relevant to Environment Scrutiny</i></p>	Councillor S Pickering, Portfolio Holder for Environment & Place	Key & Open	<p>(1) That the statutory changes to waste collection including Simpler Recycling, Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) and Deposit Return Scheme (DRS) be noted.</p> <p>(2) That the recommended option for Simpler Recycling, as outlined in the report, be approved. This included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) production of a TEEP (Technical, Economic, Environmental and Practical) Assessment. b) noting the Head of Paid Service's recommendation to seek approval from full Council to recruit and establish 19 FTE for food waste service operation. c) providing first roll of compostable caddy liners to residents to encourage behaviour change 	The recommendation provides a robust option to meet the statutory changes to waste collection introduced by the Government.

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	Continuation of Management Agreement – Housing Services <i>Relevant to Business Scrutiny</i>	Councillor N Barker, Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategic Leadership & Finance	Non Key & Open	(1) That a five year extension of the management agreement (in accordance with clause 2 of the Management Agreement) to RHL for the provision of housing services, effective from 1 April 2026, be agreed. (2) That the appointment of Managing Director, as required by Clause 19.1 of the Management Agreement, be ratified	Continuity of service provision for a major front line service such as Housing was hugely important. Rykneld Homes Limited had demonstrated high levels of service provision across all areas.
	Equality Plan & Duty Review 2025 <i>Relevant to Communities/Services Scrutiny</i>	Councillor J Barry, Portfolio Holder for Growth & Assets	Non Key & Open	That progress against the objectives set within the Equality Plan 2023-2027 and ongoing compliance with the Equality Duty be noted.	This was an information report to keep Cabinet informed of progress against the objectives set in the Equality Plan 2023-2027 and to demonstrate continuing compliance with the Equality Duty.
	Council Plan 2023-2027 Performance Report – April to June 2025 <i>Relevant to All Scrutiny</i>	Councillor N Barker, Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategic Leadership & Finance	Non Key & Open	That progress against the Council Plan 2023-2027 objected be noted.	This was an information report to keep Cabinet informed of progress against the Council Plan objectives.

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23 Oct 2025	Digital Strategy <i>Relevant to Services Scrutiny</i>	Councillor N Barker, Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategic Leadership and Finance	Non Key & Open	That Cabinet approved the Council's Digital Strategy 2025-2030 which sets out a five year roadmap for digital transformation, aligned with the Council Plan. The strategy aims to improve service delivery, increase efficiency, promote digital inclusion and enhance resident engagement through innovation, data driven decision making and collaborative leadership.	<p>The strategy provides a comprehensive, forward-looking framework for digital transformation.</p> <p>It supports the Council's priorities and addresses challenges such as digital exclusion, service complexity, and resource constraints.</p> <p>Endorsing the strategy enables coordinated delivery and accountability across services.</p>
	Supported Housing Lease Agreements <i>Relevant to Communities Scrutiny</i>	Councillor N Barker, Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategic Leadership and Finance	Non Key & Open	<p>(1) Cabinet noted and agreed to the intended use of the properties highlighted in this report.</p> <p>(2) Cabinet agreed for the properties to be leased under a full repairing and insuring arrangement, and at a peppercorn rent / lease charge.</p>	<p>To increase the amount of good quality supported housing in the district, exclusively to fulfil the needs of the Councils Housing Options service.</p> <p>To fulfil the Councils housing strategy objectives in delivering supported housing and increasing the quality of housing in the district</p> <p>To re purpose valuable Council social assets for the benefit of residents.</p> <p>To further the Councils commitment to reduce the use of hotels for people at risk of or experiencing homelessness.</p>

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	<p>Planning Policy Annual Monitoring Reports for Publication</p> <p><i>Relevant to Services Scrutiny</i></p>	Report of Councillor S Pickering, Portfolio Holder for Environment and Place	Non Key & Open	Cabinet noted the contents of the Annual Monitoring Reports for the 2024-2025 monitoring period and approve their publication on the Council’s website.	This report sets out the key findings of the 2024-2025 Authority Monitoring Report, Brownfield Land Register Update and Infrastructure Funding Statement. This enables the Council to understand the effectiveness of its policies and trends over time. Publication of these documents on the Council’s website will fulfil the Council’s statutory duties to prepare and publish the required annual monitoring datasets.

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	Derby and Derbyshire Strategic Leadership Board - Revised Terms of Reference and Hosting <i>Relevant to Services Scrutiny</i>	Report of Councillor N Barker, Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategic Leadership and Finance	Non Key & Exempt	<p>(1) approved of the revised terms of reference set out in Appendix 1.</p> <p>(2) agreed that South Derbyshire District Council (SDDC) acts as Host Authority in place of Derbyshire County Council (DCC).</p> <p>(3) approved of the annual payment to SDDC of £34,500 per annum for the purposes of hosting and providing hosting support. The sum to be paid from the Retained Business Rates (held by Derbyshire County Council as the Accountable Body) and to be uplifted by 5% per annum.</p> <p>(4) approved of the payment of £2,000 to SDDC from the Retained Business Rates (held by Derbyshire County Council as the Accountable Body) for the purpose of obtaining advice and assistance in relation to the transfer of hosting of the Board and the revised terms of reference.</p>	<p>The D2 SLB in part at least, is a merger of two (now dissolved) successful Joint Committees, the workstreams and roles of which is to support effective and efficient decision making across a range of themes in Derbyshire. In addition to this, the D2 SLB is now the recognised mechanism to make nominations to the EMCCA Board.</p> <p>The D2 SLB is not a legal entity and therefore to establish and operate the Joint Committee, a host organisation is required. The host authority will be responsible for the administration of meetings of the Joint Committee and hold funding on behalf of the Joint Committee. The host authority's Statutory Officers will act as the Statutory Officers for the Joint Committee.</p> <p>Following the recent decision of DCC to withdraw funding and withdraw from being the host authority of the D2 SLB, it has been necessary to reflect, establish the impact of the current situation, consider the implications of this decision, and to consider a potential alternative proposal.</p>