



CABINET

DATE:	Friday, 23 May 2025
TIME:	10.30 am
VENUE:	Town Hall, Station Road, Clacton-on-Sea, CO15 1SE

MEMBERSHIP:

Councillor M Stephenson	- Leader of the Council; Corporate Finance & Governance Portfolio Holder
Councillor I Henderson	- Deputy Leader; Economic Growth, Regeneration & Tourism Portfolio Holder
Councillor A Baker	- Housing & Planning Portfolio Holder
Councillor M Barry	- Leisure & Public Realm Portfolio Holder
Councillor P Kotz	- Assets & Community Safety Portfolio Holder
Councillor G Placey	- Partnerships Portfolio Holder
Councillor G Scott	- Arts, Culture & Heritage Portfolio Holder
Councillor A Smith	- Environment & ICT Portfolio Holder

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AGENDA

1 Apologies for Absence

The Cabinet is asked to note any apologies for absence received from Members.

2 Minutes of the Last Meeting (Pages 7 - 20)

To confirm and sign the minutes of the last meeting of the Cabinet held on Friday 11 April 2025.

3 Declarations of Interest

Councillors are invited to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, Other Registerable Interests of Non-Registerable Interests, and the nature of it, in relation to any item on the agenda.

4 Announcements by the Leader of the Council (Pages 21 - 24)

The Leader of the Council will read out the statement attached to this agenda in relation to an urgent decision that the Leader of the Council recently took on behalf of the Cabinet.

5 Announcements by Cabinet Members

The Cabinet is asked to note any announcements made by Members of the Cabinet.

6 Matters Referred to the Cabinet by the Council

There are no matters referred to the Cabinet by the Council on this occasion.

7 Matters Referred to the Cabinet by a Committee

There are no matters referred to the Cabinet by a Committee on this occasion.

8 Leader of the Council's Items

There are no Leader of the Council's items on this occasion.

9 Cabinet Members' Items - Report of the Economic Growth, Regeneration & Tourism Portfolio Holder - A.1 - Rural England Prosperity Fund (REPF) transition year 2025/26 (Pages 25 - 48)

To recommend for approval the acceptance of the Rural England Prosperity Fund (REPF) transition year 2025/26 allocation to the Council which totals £197,761.00, and recommends an approach to its spend, building on the successes of the previous REPF programme over the past two financial years, which aligns with Tendring District Council's (TDC) External Funding Framework.

10 Cabinet Members' Items - Report of the Environment & ICT Portfolio Holder - A.2 - Update on the Waste and Recycling Collection and Street Sweeping Contract Procurement (Pages 49 - 70)

To provide an update to Cabinet following receipt of detailed submissions from bidders at the Invitation to Submit Detailed Solutions ("ISDS") stage of the procurement process, to set out options for the way forward and seek agreement to a revised set of Core Specification Principles based upon the following circumstances:

- Greater Essex is now part of the Government's Priority Programme for Devolution which includes responding to Local Government Reorganisation (LGR), which has been announced since the commencement of the procurement process and the risk and uncertainty that this brings; and
- the detailed solutions received from the bidders indicate a contract price that is not affordable to the Council.

11 Management Team Items - Report of the Monitoring Officer - A.3 - Local Government & Social Care Ombudsman Finding (Pages 71 - 74)

The Constitution (Article 12.03(a)) requires the Monitoring Officer to report to Cabinet (or to Council for non-executive functions) if any decision or omission has given rise to maladministration. This report concerns actions that the Local Government & Social Care Ombudsman has determined were maladministration/service failings.

This report is also required under section 5A of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 in view of the aforementioned decision in this matter by the Local Government & Social Care Ombudsman.

12 Exclusion of Press and Public

Cabinet is asked to consider passing the following resolution:

"That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of Agenda Item 13 on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 3 and 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A, as amended, of the Act."

13 Cabinet Members' Items - Report of the Environment & ICT Portfolio Holder - B.1 - Update on the Waste and Recycling Collection and Street Sweeping Contract Procurement (Pages 75 - 100)

To provide the legal advice referred to in Part A, on the options available for the procurement process, that must be considered in Part B due to maintaining legal professional privilege.

Date of the Next Scheduled Meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Cabinet is to be held in the Town Hall, Station Road, Clacton-on-Sea, CO15 1SE at 10.30 am on Friday, 27 June 2025.

The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

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The item detailed below will involve the disclosure of exempt information under Paragraph 3 (Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)) and Paragraph 5 (Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings) to Schedule 12A, as amended, to the Local Government Act 1972:

Agenda Item 13 - Cabinet Members' Items - Report of the Environment & ICT Portfolio Holder - B.1 - Update on the Waste and Recycling Collection and Street Sweeping Contract Procurement

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