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**FORWARD PLAN
FOR THE PERIOD 1 JUNE 2006 TO 30 SEPT 2006**



The Forward Plan sets out the Key Decisions which are to be taken by the Cabinet, Improvement Board * or officers during the period covered by the Plan. The Plan is updated each month and is available from The Guildhall and on www.northampton.gov.uk. A Key Decision is one which is likely to result in significant expenditure or savings for the service concerned, or to have significant effects on those living or working in an area comprising two or more wards of the Borough. Consideration of issues may be deferred and ongoing and consequential matters may arise within the period of the Plan to which this notice also extends, details in respect of which will repeat those set out in the original listing.

Members of the public are welcome to comment on any item on the Forward Plan and to attend meetings of the Cabinet, or Improvement Board. Cabinet meetings are held at the Guildhall on Mondays and start at 6 pm. During the period of this Plan meetings will be held on: 5 & 26 June, 3 July and 11 September 2006.

Improvement Board Meetings are held on Thursdays at 4.00pm and will during the period of this plan be held on: 15 & 29 June, 13 & 27 July and 7 & 21 September 2006.

The Members of the Cabinet and their areas of responsibility are:

Councillor Tim Hadland – Leader of the Council and Financial Strategy and Performance

Councillor David Palethorpe – Business Intelligence People Support and e Govt

Councillor Yousuf Miah – Residential Operations

Councillor Penny Flavell and J Lill (joint) – Local Environment

Councillor John Caswell –Economy and Infrastructure

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The Council has one Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The Committee's role is to contribute to the development of Council policies, to scrutinise decisions of the Cabinet, or Improvement Board and to consider any matter affecting the area of Northampton or its citizens. The scheduled meetings during the period of this Plan are at 6.00 p.m. on 14 June and 12 September 2006.

For more details, please contact Frazer McGown, Meetings Services Manager at The Guildhall, St Giles Square, Northampton NN1 1DA, 01604 837101; E-mail: fmcgown@northampton.gov.uk. Alternatively, you can register your interest in receiving a copy of a report, once available, by e-mailing meetingservices@northampton.gov.uk

* By Cabinet members or the Chief Executive (delegated powers) sitting on the Improvement Board.

Councillor T Hadland, Leader of Northampton Borough Council

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| Subject | Expected Decision to be Made | Decision to be made by | Expected Date of Decision | Who Will be consulted | How will they be consulted | Report available/Portfolio holder/Contact Officer |
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| Market Square Refurbishment Project | To approve the capital funding necessary to allow the revised layout of the market square to be implemented. | Cabinet | 5 Jun 2006 | None | None | 24.05.06 Cllr Hadland Derrick Simpson, Support Services Manager dsimpson@northampton.gov.uk |
| Northampton Theatres Trust | Funding of landlords works to the Derngate and Royal Theatres. | Cabinet | 5 Jun 2006 | Northampton Theatres Trust Limited | Discussions | 24.05.06 Cllr Hadland Mario Abela, Corporate Director mabela@northampton.gov.uk |
| Highway Services | To review and consider future trading arrangements. (In private) | Cabinet | 5 Jun 2006 | None | None | 24.05.06 Cllr Flavell David Taylor, Director dtaylor@northampton.gov.uk |
| Corporate Plan | To approve the Corporate Plan. | Cabinet | 26 Jun 2006 | Citizens | Focus groups, forums | 15.06.06 Cllr Hadland Ella Yeshin, Interim Corporate Manager, Legal and Democratic Services eyeshin@northampton.gov.uk |
| Best Value Performance Plan | To approve the BVPP. | Cabinet | 26 Jun 2006 | Citizens | Focus groups, forums | 15.06.06 Cllr Palethorpe Dale Phillipson, Corporate Manager, Performance and Improvement dphillipson@northampton.gov.uk |
| Revenue Outturn 2005/ 06 | To consider the closedown of the 2005/06 accounts. | Cabinet | 26 Jun 2006 | None | None | 15.06.06 Cllr Hadland Alison Betts, Technical Finance Manager abetts@northampton.gov.uk |
| Property Maintenance Review of Staff Structure | To make any necessary decisions as part of the root and branch review with regard to the Property Maintenance Section. | Improvement Board | 29 Jun 2006 | Employees, Trades Unions | Negotiations | 20.06.06 Cllr Flavell Carl Grimmer, Corporate Manager, Streetscene cgrimmer@northampton.gov.uk |

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| Procurement of a Performance Management System | To consider, in private, the choice of a preferred supplier to continue negotiations with. | Cabinet | 3 Jul 2006 | None | None | 21.06.06 Cllr Palethorpe Dale Phillipson, Corporate Manager, Performance and Improvement dphillipson@northampton.gov.uk |
| Sheltered Housing Review | To review the Council's sheltered housing provision and to make any necessary decisions. | Cabinet | 3 Jul 2006 | Key stakeholders, partners | Discussions | 21.06.06 Cllr Miah Madeline Spencer, Housing Services Manager mspencer@northampton.gov.uk |
| Homeless Prevention/Spent to Save Strategy | To consider a homelessness prevention spend to save strategy | Cabinet | 3 Jul 2006 | Key stakeholders, partners | Discussions | 21.06.06 Cllr Miah Madeline Spencer, Housing Services Manager mspencer@northampton.gov.uk |
| Future Events Management (including Balloon Festival) | To consider future options for future management and delivery of community events and to make any necessary decisions | Cabinet | 3 Jul 2006 | Trades Unions, Explore Northampton hire | Meetings, negotiations | 21.06.06 Cllr Hadland Peter Field pfield@northampton.gov.uk |
| Growth Area Funding | To consider Growth Area Funding approved by West Northamptonshire Development Corpn., and to make any necessary decisions. | Cabinet | 3 Jul 2006 | None | None | 21.06.06 Cllr Caswell Chris Cavanagh, Corporate Manager, Regeneration and Growth ccavanagh@northampton.gov.uk |

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| Local Development Framework | To consider progress on developing the Local Development Framework for Northampton, including joint working arrangements with Daventry and South Northamptonshire and to adopt a revised local development scheme. | Cabinet | 3 Jul 2006 | General public, businesses, partners | Public notice, website, letter | 21.06.06 Claire Berry cberry@northampton.gov.uk |
| Anti Social Behaviour Strategy | To approve an Anti Social Behaviour Strategy. | Cabinet | 3 Jul 2006 | Northants Police | Discussions | 21.06.06 Cllr Palethorpe Lee Owens lowens@northampton.gov.uk |
| Future of Services For Young People | To approve options for the Council's future role in relation to services for young people, in particular those formerly part of the work of the County Council's Youth Service. | Cabinet | 3 Jul 2006 | NCC | Discussions | 21.06.06 Cllr Hadland Thomas Hall, Corporate Manager, Citizen Engagement |
| Capital Programme 2006/07 | To consider a Capital Programme for 2006/07. | Cabinet | 3 Jul 2006 | None | None | 21.06.06 Cllr Hadland Alison Betts, Technical Finance Manager abetts@northampton.gov.uk |
| Housing Strategy | To adopt a Housing Strategy following consideration of the draft strategy by the Government Office and review by Corporate Managers. | Improvement Board | 22 Sep 2006 | Partners, Government Office | Letter, website, discussions | 12.09.06 Cllr Miah Marty Swann mswann@northampton.gov.uk |