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Jan06/01	Calculating the Council Tax Base: 2006/2007	To determine the Band D equivalent for the Council tax base for the calculation of the Council tax	All	Cabinet	Sara Mildmay -White Resources	Graham Moore 01284 757252	Portfolio Holder	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 11/01/06
Jan06/02	Precept Payment Dates: 2006/2007	To determine the dates for the payment from the Collection Fund to the precepting authorities.	All	Cabinet	Sara Mildmay -White Resources	Graham Moore 01284 757252	Portfolio Holder	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 11/01/06
Jan06/03	Cattle Market Redevelopment	The Cabinet will need to consider operational matters on an ongoing basis throughout the project. Normally, these matters will be referred through the Cattle Market Redevelopment Working Party.	All	Cabinet	John Griffiths – in the interim period Arts, Culture & Leisure	Jerry Massey 01284 757302	As outlined in reports to the Working Party or Cabinet	Cabinet reports and minutes to Working Party	No earlier than 11/01/06
Jan06/04	Budget Setting: 2006/2007	The Cabinet will receive the final report of the Policy Development Committee	All	Cabinet	Sara Mildmay -White Resources	Carlton Brand 01284 757200	Policy Development Committee	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 11/01/06
Jan06/05	Public Service Village Working Party	Cabinet will need to consider recommendations from its Working Party on an ongoing basis.	All	Cabinet	Nigel Aitkens/ Sara Mildmay -White Economy/ Resources	Ivan Sams 01284 757304	Portfolio Holders for Economy, Resources and potential partner organisations.	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 11/01/06

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Jan06/06	London 2012	The Cabinet may need to consider the potential implications for the Borough of the 2012 Olympics	All	Cabinet	Terry Clements - in the interim period	Arts, Culture & Leisure	Neil Anthony 01284 757064	Portfolio Holder and officers. This is an initial report to outline general issues. Any specific decisions will involve appropriate consultation.	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 11/01/06
Jan06/07	Final report on DR-IVE and policy-based budgeting from the Policy Development Committee	The Cabinet will consider the final report on DR-IVE from the Policy Development Committee.	All	Cabinet	Sara Mildmay -White	Resources	Adriana Stapleton 01284 757613	Policy Development Committee	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 11/01/06
Jan06/08	Policy on Housing Benefit Overpayment	Cabinet has been asked to consider recommendations from the Policy Development Committee	All	Cabinet	Sara Mildmay -White	Resources	Ann Parry-Jones 01284 757255	Portfolio Holder and Policy Development Committee	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 11/01/06
Jan06/09	Car Parking Working Party	The Cabinet will need to consider the findings of its Working Party on an ongoing basis	All	Cabinet	Jeremy Farthing	Environment	Jerry Massey 01284 757302	As outlined in reports to the Working Party	Report to Working Party and minutes	No earlier than 11/01/06
Jan06/10	Recommendations from the Grant Panel	To consider recommendations arising from the meetings of the Grant Panel on an ongoing basis	All	Cabinet	Sara Mildmay -White	Resources	Mike Dawson 01284 757046	Portfolio Holder and voluntary organisations	Recommendations from Grant Panel	No earlier than 11/01/06

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Jan06/11	Haverhill Area Working Party	The Cabinet will need to consider recommendations from its Working Party on an ongoing basis	Haverhill and area	Cabinet	Jeff Stevens Performance and Organisational Development	Mike Dawson 01284 757060	As outlined in the reports to the Working Party or Cabinet	Reports to Working Party and minutes	No earlier than 11/01/06
Jan06/12	Leisure Centres Liaison Group	To consider the recommendations from the Cabinet's Liaison Group on an on going basis.	All	Cabinet	Terry Clements - in the interim period Arts, Culture & Leisure	Mike Dawson 01284 757060	Customers, Abbeycroft Leisure and other partner organisations	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 11/01/06
Jan06/13	Introduction of experimental Residents' Parking Permit Scheme to Victoria Street, Princes Street, Albert Street and Albert Crescent, Bury St Edmunds	The above streets are primarily residential and are located close to the college and fairly close to the town centre. Off street parking is limited and most residents are reliant on on-street parking. The area is currently used by students and commuters and others who are visiting the town centre and this reduces opportunities for residents to park. Included in the scheme is some waiting provision in consideration of the local businesses.	All	Cabinet	Terry Clements Transport & Planning	Stephen Boor 01284 757323	Local residents, businesses and Ward Members	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 11/01/06

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Jan06/14	To approve proposal for daytime waiting restrictions and pedestrian refuge in Western Way, Bury St Edmunds	Parents taking their children to a gym club are consistently parking along Western Way between the hours of 4.00 pm and 6.00 pm, resulting in a significant road safety issue. The proposal is to restrict waiting both sides along the length of Western Way, enter into an agreement with the gym club for parents to use part of the Council's car park and in conjunction with this, provide a pedestrian refuge, which will also benefit both those currently working in Western Way and others following future planned development.	All	Cabinet	Terry Clements	Transport & Planning	Stephen Boor 01284 757323	Local Community, Ward Members, Police	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 11/01/06

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Jan06/15	To approve proposal to restrict traffic in Abbeygate Street, Bury St Edmunds by the introduction of 'no left turn' restrictions from Lower Baxter Street and High Baxter Street to aid pedestrian priority in Abbeygate Street	There have been a number of accidents at these crossing points and the restriction will force traffic directly through these junctions which will reduce traffic conflict. The proposal includes the narrowing of the crossing points which should help to reduce speed.	All	Cabinet	Terry Clements Transport & Planning	Stephen Boor 01284 757323	Local Community, Ward Members, Police	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 11/01/06

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Jan06/16	To approve the Council's response to DEFRA's proposals to a) extend the existing Statutory Performance Standards (SPS) to the year 2007/08; and b) increase the SPS for those LA's with the lowest levels of the recycling and removing the cap on the highest performers set in December 2004 at 30% for 2005/06	As a result of the national recycling targets set out in the Waste Strategy 2000, the Government set Statutory Performance Standards for recycling and composting for 2003/04 and 2005/06. St Edmundsbury was allocated the ceiling level targets for 2003/04 and 2005/06 of 33% and 40% respectively. In December 2004, the Government announced that the SPS's would be held at 30% in 2005/06. This change had the effect of re-setting all SPS's in excess of 30% down to 30% for the year 2005/06. In light of the recent review of the Waste Strategy 2000, DEFRA is now consulting on options outlined in the key decision.	All	Cabinet	Jeremy Farthing Environment	Sandra Pell 01284 757338	Portfolio Holder	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 11/01/06

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Jan06/17	Asset Management Plan - Non-operational Portfolio - Assessment and options appraisal of the Investment Portfolio	This is part of the AMP Action Plan	All	Cabinet	Sara Mildmay -White Resources	Betty Albon 01284 757307	Service Managers	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 08/02/06
Jan06/18	Planning Policy Panel	The Cabinet will need to consider the recommendations of this Council Panel on an ongoing basis.	All	Cabinet	Terry Clements Transport & Planning	Ian Poole 01284 757350	As outlined in reports to the Panel or Cabinet	Reports to Panel and minutes	No earlier than 08/02/06

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Jan06/19	Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005	The Local Government Association lobbied for several years for Local Authorities to be given additional powers to deal with local environment offences. In response, the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act became law in April 2005. The Act contains a range of measures to tackle problems with fly-tipping, litter, fly-posting, graffiti, nuisance vehicles, dogs and noise. It is important that Cabinet are aware of the impacts of this Act and make decisions relating to the enforcement of the powers allocated to Local Authorities.	All	Cabinet	Jeremy Farthing Environment	Sandra Pell/ Patsy Dell/Joy Bowes/ Carole Herries 01284 757338	Portfolio Holder	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 08/02/06
Jan06/20	Waste Management Procurement Issues	The Cabinet will consider a county-wide review/procurement process	All	Cabinet	Jeremy Farthing Environment	Sandra Pell 01284 757338	County -wide with all local authorities. Portfolio Holder.	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 08/02/06
Jan06/21	Revised Recycling Plan 2006 2012	The Cabinet will be asked to approve the new county-wide plan.	All	Cabinet	Jeremy Farthing Environment	Sandra Pell 01284 757338	County -wide with all local authorities. Portfolio Holder.	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 08/02/06

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Jan06/22	Joint Partnership Working for Waste Management in Suffolk	Consultants have been employed by the Suffolk Waste Partnership through funding from DEFRA to review the options for waste in the future. Outcomes to be reported early in 2006.	All	Cabinet	Jeremy Farthing Environment	Sandra Pell 01284 757300	Portfolio Holder	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 08/02/06
Jan06/23	To approve a Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy for 2006/2007	The Local Government Act 2003 requires the Council to approve a Treasury Management Strategy and Investment Strategy before the start of each financial year.	All	Cabinet	Sara Mildmay -White Resources	John Hannah 01284 757262	Portfolio Holder and Sector Treasury Services Ltd.	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 08/02/06
Jan06/24	Contracts Procedure Rules	The Cabinet will be asked to consider an amendment to the Constitution to improve procurement processes.	All	Cabinet	Sara Mildmay -White Resources	Mark Walsh 01284 757308	Portfolio Holder, Procurement Board	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 08/02/06
Jan06/25	Final Budget Proposals: 2006/2007	The Cabinet will approve its budget proposals for submission to full Council on 23 February 2006.	All	Cabinet	Sara Mildmay -White Resources	Graham Moore 01284 757252	Portfolio Holders, Policy Development Committee and Business Rate payers	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 08/02/06

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Jan06/26	Evening Economy Review Phase One	Recommendations from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for this review which is a Key Activity for the Cabinet in 2005/2006.	All	Cabinet	Nigel Aitkens/ Frank Warby/ Terry Clements /Jeremy Farthing	Economy/Health, Housing and Crime/ Transport & Planning/ Environment	Adriana Stapleton 01284 757613	The Overview and Scrutiny Committee has carried out a wide internal and external consultation for this review	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 08/02/06
Jan06/27	Approval of Draft Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) for submission to GO-East. To be submitted to the government office.	Under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 Local Planning Authorities are required to prepare a Statement of Community Involvement stating how the community will be involved in the planning process.	All	Cabinet	Terry Clements	Transport & Planning	Ian Poole 01284 757350	The SCI has to be subject to public consultation in accordance with legislation. Including workshops for stakeholders in the planning process and requesting comments on the draft SCI	Report to Cabinet. Draft of Community Involvement	No earlier than 22/03/06
Jan06/28	DR-IVE Year 3	The Cabinet will consider the process to be followed for this year's DR-IVE efficiency programme (2006/2007) which, in turn, will inform the Council's Annual Efficiency Statement.	All	Cabinet	Sara Mildmay-White	Resources	Carlton Brand 01284 757200	The DR-IVE review will again be co-ordinated by the Policy Development Committee and will involve appropriate consultation for specific proposals.	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 22/03/06

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Jan06/29	To approve the Child Protection Policy	The Children's Act has brought increased responsibility for all statutory agencies towards the safeguarding of children. As part of these responsibilities, it is important that the Council has an agreed policy and takes a corporate responsibility towards safeguarding children and young people.	All	Cabinet	Frank Warby	Housing, Health & Crime	Carole Herries 01284 757603	County - wide Children's leads groups and Officer Working Group.	Report to Cabinet No earlier than 22/03/06

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Jan06/30	Merged Shopmobility and Tourist Information Services	On 2 September 2005, the Cabinet agreed to merge these two services as soon as possible and locate them at 6 Angel Hill, Bury St Edmunds. However, due to other major initiatives, including the possible formation of a Public Service Village and the Public Building at the Cattle Market Site in Bury St Edmunds, a further report was requested as to the long term location of these services.	All	Cabinet	Nigel Aitkens/ Terry Clements	Economy/Transport & Planning	Jerry Massey 01284 757302	Portfolio Holder and Overview & Scrutiny Committee	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 22/03/06
Jan06/31	Central Safety Panel	To consider the recommendations of the Cabinet's Panel on an on going basis, if involving key decision(s).	All	Cabinet	Jeff Stevens	Performance & Organisational Development	Martin Hosker 01284 757010	Managers, Portfolio Holder	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 22/03/06
Jan06/32	Joint Staff Consultative Panel	To consider the recommendations of the Cabinet's Panel on an on going basis, if involving key decision(s).	All	Cabinet	Jeff Stevens	Performance & Organisational Development	Louise Hammond 01284 757008	Unions	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 22/03/06

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Jan06/33	Asset Management Plan - Non-operational Portfolio - Assessment and options appraisal of Individual Houses	This is part of the AMP Action Plan	All	Cabinet	Nigel Economy Aitkens	Betty 01284 Albon 757307	Service Managers	Report to Cabinet	No earlier than 22/03/06