

CABINET

Minutes of a hybrid webcast meeting on 17 March 2026 at 10.00 a.m.

Present

in County Councillors Alec Clark (Chair), Ian Davis, Hugh Hunter, and Bob Shields.
Hall:

Apologies: Councillors Brian Connolly; Chris Cullen; William Grant and Martin Kilbride.

Attending

in County

Hall: S. Penman, Chief Executive; K. Braidwood, Depute Chief Executive and Director of Housing, Operations and Development; J. Bradley, Director of Communities and Transformation; M. Inglis, Director of Health and Social Care Partnership; C. Caves, Chief Governance Officer; K. Anderson, Assistant Director - Corporate Policy, Strategy and Performance; J Tait, Assistant Director – Communities; A. Pinkerton, Trauma Informed Practice Officer; D. Alexander, Service Lead – Procurement; A. Steven, Co-ordinator – Democratic Services and Cody McCallum, Clerical Assistant.

Opening Remarks.

The Chair took the sederunt, confirmed to Members the procedures to conduct this meeting and advised that the meeting was being broadcast live.

1. Declarations of Interest.

There were no declarations of interest by Members of the Cabinet in terms of Council Standing Order No. 17 and the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

2. Minutes of previous meeting.

The minutes of 17 February 2026 ([issued](#)) were submitted and approved.

3. Decision Log.

The Cabinet

Decided:

- (1) to approve the overdue actions;
- (2) to approve the actions listed with revised due dates; and
- (3) to note the recently completed actions.

Health and Social Care

4. Social Care Charges Proposals 2026-27

There was submitted a report ([issued](#)) of 13 February 2026 by the Director of Health and Social Care Partnership presenting the proposed social care charges for the financial year 2026-27 for approval.

Following discussion, the Cabinet

Decided: to continue consideration of this matter to a future meeting of Cabinet to allow for further and wider consultation.

Finance and Corporate Support

5. Budget Management – Revenue Budgetary Control 2025/26 – Position at 31 January 2025/26

There was submitted a report ([issued](#)) of 5 March 2026 by the Chief Financial Officer presenting Members with a financial overview of the General Services revenue account, Housing Revenue Account and Common Good Accounts for 2025/26 as at 31 January 2026.

Following discussion, the Cabinet

Decided:

- (1) to note the revised Directorate budgets following the budget movements outlined in 3.3;
- (2) to approve the budget transfers as outlined in the Directorate financial performance reports at Appendix 1 and summarised in 4.1.6;
- (3) to approve the requested earmarking of resources to be carried forward to 2026/27 as summarised in 4.1.7;
- (4) to note the projected General Services in year under-spend of £2.827m after earmarking and a projected uncommitted general reserve balance of £9.614m; and
- (5) to note the revised HSCP projected overspend of £0.509m.

Council Leader, Economy and Strategy

6. Trauma Roadmap

There was submitted a report ([issued](#)) 17 February 2026 by the Chief Executive seeking approval of the South Ayrshire Trauma Roadmap.

Following discussion, the Cabinet

Decided: to approve the South Ayrshire Trauma Roadmap (appendix one).

7. **Exclusion of press and public.**

The Cabinet resolved, in terms of Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, that the press and public be excluded during consideration of the remaining item of business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information in terms of paragraph 9 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Act.

Health and Social Care/Finance and Corporate Services

8. **Social Care Case Management System Update**

There was submitted a joint report (Members only) of 17 March 2026 by the Director of Health and Social Care Partnership and the Chief Financial Officer seeking approval to accept a tender which was not the lowest priced submission.

The Cabinet

Decided: to grant authority to the Executive Officer, Director of Health and Social Care Partnership, in terms of Standing Order 18.2.4 of South Ayrshire Council Standing Orders Relating to Contracts, to accept the tender by Access UK Ltd for the Supply, Implementation, Support and Maintenance of a Social Care Case Management System.

9. **Consideration of Disclosure of the above confidential report.**

Decided: to authorise the disclosure under Standing Order 32.4 of the following report subject to redaction for GDPR:

- Social Care Case Management System Update.

The meeting ended at 10.35am.