

# Notice of proposed key decisions

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## Notice of proposed key decisions and meetings to be held in private

In accordance with the requirements of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 ("the Regulations" which came into effect on 10 September 2012), this document gives 28 clear days' notice of the key decisions which the Council intends to make.

The Council is no longer statutorily required to publish a Forward Plan, but this document sets out details of key decisions in the next 4 months and may include decisions to be made by Cabinet or individual Cabinet Members and Officers which are not key decisions.

#### There is no scheduled meeting of Cabinet in August

This document sets out key delegated decisions and details about those which are to be considered in private. Any representations as to why any item should not be considered in private must be sent to the Service Manager Democratic Services at the address shown below.

The Council will publish a further notice 5 clear days before the decision is taken which will give the Council's response to any such representations received.

#### In accordance with Regulation 9 of the Regulations this document provides the following information:

- that a key decision is to be made on behalf of Newcastle City Council;
- the matter in respect of which the decision is to be made;
- where the decision maker is an individual, his/her name and position and, where the decision taker is a body, its name and details of membership;
- the date on which, or the period within which, the decision will be taken;
- a list of the documents submitted to the decision maker for consideration in relation to the matter in respect of which the key decision is to be made;

- the address from which, subject to any prohibition or restriction on their disclosure, copies of, or extracts from, any document listed is available;
- that other documents relevant to those matters may be submitted to the decision maker; and
- the procedure for requesting details of those documents (if any) as they become available.

#### Key decisions are those executive decisions which are likely-

- to result in the Council incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, **significant** having regard to the Council's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or
- to be **significant** in terms of their effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards in the City.

The following will not usually be key decisions:

- matters involving revenue expenditure of £250,000 or less;
- matters involving capital expenditure of £1,000,000 or less; and
- matters involving land and property within the delegations of the Head of Property.

The government has published guidance on the meaning of 'significant'.

### Further details of Council decision making can be found at-

Cabinet and Committee meetings information and Committee papers link to Decision Makers reports and decision details

#### **Details of Cabinet Membership**

**Cabinet** comprises the following Members with the portfolio responsibilities as indicated:

- Councillor Nick Forbes Leader of Council
- Councillor Joyce McCarty Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet member for Resources
- Councillor Ged Bell Cabinet member for Employment and Culture
- Councillor Paula Holland Cabinet member for Education and Skills
- Councillor John-Paul Stephenson Cabinet member for the Environmental and Regulatory Services
- Councillor Karen Kilgour Cabinet member for Health and Social Care
- Councillor Arlene Ainsley Cabinet member for Transport and Air Quality
- Councillor Clare Penny-Evans Cabinet member for Climate Change and Communities
- Councillor Irim Ali Cabinet member for Neighbourhoods and Public Health
- Councillor Linda Hobson Cabinet member for Housing

#### Link to Cabinet Portfolios

Copies of, or extracts from, any document referred to in this notice may be obtained from:

Service Manager Democratic Services Newcastle City Council Civic Centre Barras Bridge Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 8QH

or contact us at:
phone 0191 211 5159
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In relation to **private business** the reason an item is expected to be considered 'in **private**' will be identified in accordance with the **exempt information categories** which are set out in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended):-

Paragraph	Category/explanation
1	Information relating to any individual.
2	Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.
3	Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).
4	Information relating to any consultations or negotiations or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under, the authority
5	Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings
6	Information which reveals that the authority proposes –
	<ul> <li>a) to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or</li> <li>b) to make an order or direction under any enactment.</li> </ul>
7	Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation of prosecution of crime.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTE**

This document sets out the Council's intentions as to future decisions as at the date of publication. However, if circumstances change, the Council reserves the right to publish an updated version of this document and/or rely on the provisions in the Regulations as to urgent decisions.

	August 2020	O		Key		
Who will decide and when	Delegated decision Percy, Director of Pla		Portfolio: Employment and Culture	August 2020		
			Ward: All			
What about	Improving Connectivity in Newcastle: City Wide Wayleave Agreements for Fixed Line Broadband Infrastructure: Newcastle City Council is committed to improving connectivity and access to faster broadband speeds across Newcastle. This delegated decision sets out a proposal to grant nonexclusive city-wide wayleave (access) agreements to providers of communication and broadband services to council owned properties and land order to support digital inclusion, communications, networking, leisure and learning opportunities. The city-wide wayleave will be granted over all of Newcastle City Council's land and property as this streamlines the process for both the City Council and the telecommunication provider. Agreeing a city-wide wayleave with telecommunication providers will enable provision of new internet services to residents and visitors which is a vital step and will make better connectivity available to tenants and leaseholders. It will also have related benefits in adding to the choice of providers available in localities for other residential and business users.					
Information available to the decision maker	A detailed report will be available to the public at least 5 days before the decision is made and such other documents as may be relevant to the decision as are required.					
Contact details for copies of documents	Service Manager Democratic Services <a href="mailto:linda.scott@newcastle.gov.uk">linda.scott@newcastle.gov.uk</a> Newcastle City Council Civic Centre, Barras Bridge Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 8QH					
Report Author	Director		, Director of Place			
	Contact Officer		Head of Property			
	email		newcastle.gov.uk			
Public or private	Public – it is expecte	ed that the deleg	gated decision report will be open to t	the public.		

	August 202	20		Key		
Who will decide and when	Delegated decision Grant, Head of Trans		Portfolio: Transport and Air Quality Ward: All	August 2020		
What about			ure: To seek approval for capital Shelter Contract with Clear Chan	investment to purchase and install bus shelters nel UK Ltd.		
Information available to the decision maker	A detailed report will be available to the public at least 5 days before the decision is made and such other documents as may be relevant to the decision as are required.					
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Report Author	Director	Michelle Per	cy, Director of Place			
	Contact Officer Tarnia Hamilton, Contract Monitoring Officer					
	phone	Mobile 0797				
	email		on@newcastle.gov.uk			
Public or private/reason if private	Public – it is expec	ted that the del	egated decision report will be ope	en to the public.		

	August 2020	)		Key		
Who will decide and when	Delegated Decision Leader and Cabinet r Resources, Cllr Joyce	nember for	Portfolio: Deputy Leader an Resources Ward: All	d August 2020		
What about			: This report will seek approviker district heating scheme.	ral to grant a loan to Byker Community Trust for		
Information available to the decision maker	A detailed report which will contain exempt information and such other documents as may be relevant to the decision as are required. The documents to be considered will be exempt from disclosure and consequently copies will not be made available to the public.					
Contact details for copies of documents	Service Manager Democratic Services linda.scott@newcastle.gov.uk Newcastle City Council Civic Centre, Barras Bridge Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 8QH					
Report Author	Director Tony Kirkham, Director of Resources Contact Officer Mark Nicholson, Assistant Director Financial Services					
Public or private/reason if private	email mark.nicholson@newcastle.gov.uk  Private – the press and public will be excluded from the meeting when considering the report that contains exempt information, as detailed below.  1) The report will contain "exempt" information which falls within paragraph 5 of part 1 of schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972); and  2) In relation to the "exempt" information, it has been determined that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information because disclosure would adversely affect the authority's ability to manage its commercial financial and business affairs.					

	September	2020	Key			
Who will decide and when	Cabinet	Portfolio: Transport and Air Quality Ward: All	14 September 2020			
What about	Tyneside Clean Air Zone: This report will provide an update on the Clean Air Zone following continuing discussions with Government and request Cabinet approval for the resubmission of a Full Business Case to Government.					
Information available to the decision maker	A detailed report will be available to the public at least 5 days before the decision is made and such other documents as may be relevant to the decision as are required.					
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Report Author	Director	Tom Warburton, Director of City Future				
•	Contact Officer email	Graham Grant, Head of Transport graham.grant@newcastle.gov.uk				
Public or private/reason if private	Public – it is expecte	ed that the meeting will be open to the pub	lic during consideration of this item.			

	September	2020		Non-Key		
Who will decide and when	Cabinet		Portfolio: Deputy Leader and Resources	14 September 2020		
			Ward: All			
What about	Council Performance: To consider and comment on the city's and council's performance in working towards the ambitions within the medium-term plan. It will report on performance and finance up to and including Quarter 1 and is a key element of our integrated approach to planning and delivery. This will include the latest information on the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the city and the council's finances and any proposed actions. The Council Dashboard will present current key data about Newcastle (such as employment rate), show the latest position in trends and how we compare to others. It will also include data showing the performance and cost of our services, with a focus on the difference services have made to improving outcomes for people. There will be one Dashboard for each of the four priorities and supporting narrative and information and will be the Section 151 report each quarter. Cabinet will be asked to consider and comment on overall performance and proposed actions.					
Information available to the			the public at least 5 days before e decision as are required.	the decision is made and such other		
decision maker  Contact details for copies of documents	Service Manager Democratic Services linda.scott@newcastle.gov.uk  Newcastle City Council Civic Centre, Barras Bridge Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 8QH					
	Director	Tony Kirkham,	Director of Resources			
Report Author	Contact Officer		n, Business Management Partne	r		
Bull's sound of	email		@newcastle.gov.uk			
Public or private /reasons if private	Public – it is expect	ed that the mee	ting will be open to the public dur	ing consideration of this item.		

	September	2020	Non-key				
Who will decide and when	Cabinet	Portfolio: Deputy Leader and Resources	14 September 2020				
		Ward: NA					
What about	Annual Equality Reachievements	eport 2020: Cabinet is asked to endorse the a	nnual update on our equality progress and				
Information available to the decision maker	A detailed report will be available to the public at least 5 days before the decision is made and such other documents as may be relevant to the decision as are required.						
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	Director	Tom Warburton, Director of City Futures					
Report Author	Contact Officer	Louise Crosby, Equality and Wellbeing Advisor					
	phone	Mobile 07904628181					
	email	ail <u>louise.crosby@newcastle.gov.uk</u>					
Public or private/reason if private	Public – it is expected that the meeting will be open to the public during consideration of this item.						

Officer Delegated Key Decisions (Award of Contracts)

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	August 2020		Key		
Who will decide and when	Delegated Officer: Linda Scott, Service Manager Democratic Services	Portfolio: Deputy Leader and Resources Ward: All	August 2020		
What about	Retrospective Expenditure for 005591 – Election and Electoral Registration Printing: At the start of the Contract in July 2016 only three citywide elections and the Police and Crime Commissioner election were planned between 2017 and 2020. With the addition of the Parliamentary election in 2017, the Combined Authority Mayoral Election, the European Parliamentary Election, the Police and Crime Commissioner by election, and the Parliamentary election all in 2019, expenditure has significantly increased. Most of these additional costs will be reclaimed from central government.				

Information available to the decision maker

Contact details for copies of documents

**Report Author** 

Public or private/reason if private

A detailed report which will contain exempt information so will not be available to the public and such other documents as may be relevant to the decision as are required. The documents to be considered will be exempt from disclosure and consequently copies will not be made available to the public.

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- 1) The report will contain "exempt" information which falls within paragraph 3 of part 1 of schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972); and
- 2) In relation to the "exempt" information, it has been determined that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information because disclosure would adversely affect the authority's ability to manage its commercial financial and business affairs.

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Who will decide and when	Delegated Officer: 7 Kirkham, Director of	•	Portfolio: Deputy Leader and Resources Ward: All	August 2020	
What about	Removal and Storage Services: We are undertaking a competitive procurement process and this report seapproval for a delegated officer decision to award a Framework Contract which will run for a maximum period months (24 months with an option to extend for 2 x 12 Months). This framework will cover the Provision of clearance, removal, storage and disposal services for domestic / residential properties, abandoned/void prograges and Council offices and buildings.				
Information available to the decision maker	•	red. The docu	ments to be considered will be ex	ner documents as may be relevant to the kempt from disclosure and consequently copies	
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	Director	Tony Kirkhar	n, Director of Resources		
Report Author	Contact Officer		lson, Assistant Director Financial Services		
	email		son@newcastle.gov.uk		
Reason	Private – the report will contain exempt information, as detailed below:				
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Who will decide and when	Delegated Officer: Nicholson, Assistant		Portfolio: Deputy Leader and Resources	August 2020	
	Financial Services		Ward: All		
What about	Framework Agreeme the use of its 12 Men	nt that the No ber Authoritie	orth East Procurement Organisation	s approval to formally opt-in to a regional on (NEPO) has undertaken and awarded for for 48 months and the Council will use this	
Information available to the decision maker		red. The docu	ments to be considered will be e	ner documents as may be relevant to the xempt from disclosure and consequently copies	
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documents	Newcastle upon Tyne	•			
	Director	Tony Kirkhai	m, Director of Resources		
Report Author	Contact Officer	Mark Nichols	son, Assistant Director Financial	Services	
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	<u>.</u>	•	manage its commercial financial	nation because disclosure would adversely and business affairs.	

	August 20	20		Key
Who will decide and when	Delegated Officer Theobald, Assistar Capital Investment	nt Director	Portfolio: Employment and Culture Ward: All	August 2020
What about	restricted procurer 1 x 12 month optic selected organisat	nent process n to extend), ion will requir ful delivery of	rchitect: we are in the early stages of a rard a 36-month Contract (24 Months plus ail Core Transformation Programme. The to provide this service, and play a central on Programme tailored to Northumberland	
Information available to the decision maker	documents as may	be relevant t	ain exempt information so will not be ave to the decision as are required. The do tly copies will not be made available to	cuments to be considered will be exempt
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Report Author	Director		cy, Director of Place	
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Who will decide	Delegated Officer: Robert Hamilton, Economic Development Principal Advisor		Portfolio: Employment and Culture	August 2020	
			Ward: All		
What about	Newcastle Helix Incubator and Accelerator: we are in the final stages of an open procurement process and this decision seeks approval to award a 36-month Contract to provide business support alongside facilities management at the Helix Incubator. The Helix Incubator and Accelerator will provide support to high growth start up and scale up businesses who will benefit from working with the wider innovation assets and other businesses on Helix and elsewhere in the North East region to develop new products and services to small and medium sized enterprises. This successful organisation requires the skills, resources and experience to provide this service, and play a central role in the successful delivery of the transformational programme of commercial, academic and residential led economic development and innovation.				
Information available to the decision maker	A detailed report which will contain exempt information so will not be available to the public and such other documents as may be relevant to the decision as are required. The documents to be considered will be exempt from disclosure and consequently copies will not be made available to the public.				
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Report Author	Director				
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Who will decide and when	Delegated Officer: No Percy, Director of Pla		Portfolio: Employment and Culture Ward: All	August 2020	
What about	Central Gateway Phase 2 Enabling Works: we are in the final stages of a competitive procurement process and this report seeks approval to award a Contract which will run for a period of 12 months for the Improvement works to Newcastle Central Station and connected areas.				
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Who will decide and when	Delegated Officer: A Senior, Head of Faire		Portfolio: Environmental and Regulatory Services Ward: All	August 2020	
What about	<b>NEPO – Framework for Demolition Works and Associated Services and Asbestos Management:</b> we are in the process calling-off from this NEPO Framework Agreement, to out in place a Call-off Contract for the removal of asbestos and demolition of two tower blocks – Hexham House and Titan House.				
Information available to the decision maker	A detailed report which will contain exempt information so will not be made available to the public and such other documents as may be relevant to the decision as are required. The documents to be considered will be exempt from disclosure and consequently copies will not be made available to the public.				
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Report Author	Contact Officer		Senior, Head of Fairer Housing Unit		
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Who will decide and when	<b>Delegated Officer:</b> Amanda Senior, Head of Fairer Housing		Portfolio: Housing Ward: All	August 2020	
What about	Housing Delivery Partnership Framework: Chapel Park Middle School: A further competition was run under this Framework Agreement for the above scheme. The procurement process is now complete, and an approved Provider appointed to this Framework Agreement has been selected. In order to finalise contractual procurement arrangements this decision seeks approval to award a Call-off Contract to commence works. A further DD (to be				
Information available to the decision maker	drafted by FHU) will then require sign off to approve the detail of the contract and the land transfer when agreed.  A detailed report which will contain exempt information so will not be made available to the public and such other documents as may be relevant to the decision as are required. The documents to be considered will be exempt from disclosure and consequently copies will not be made available to the public.				
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