



Forward Plan of Decisions

7 March 2024

The Forward Plan for the North East Combined Authority (NECA) is prepared and published by the Monitoring Officer for the purpose of:

- A. Giving 28 days' notice of key decisions that are planned to be taken by the NECA, its Boards, Committees or Chief Officers
- B. Complete transparency about decisions – the Plan also includes an overview of non-key decisions to be taken by the Combined Authority or its Chief Officers

Included within the Forward Plan are decisions that are to be made by:

- [NECA Committees](#)
- [North East Joint Transport Committees](#)
- [Officers under delegation \(Delegated Decisions\)](#)

Unless otherwise indicated, if you require any further information or wish to make representations about any of the matters contained in the Forward Plan please contact the appropriate officer as detailed against each entry at least 7 days before the meeting.

***The most recent entries are referred to as “NEW”. Updated entries are referred to as “Updated”. Items withdrawn since the last publication are referred to as “Withdrawn” and following that will be removed altogether.**

Further information about the Forward Plan and NECA Decision Making can be found in 'The Combined Authorities (Overview and Scrutiny Committees, Access to Information and Audit Committees) Order 2017' and the NECA Overview and Scrutiny Committee's Decision Making Protocol which can be found at <http://northeastca.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/NECA-Decision-Making-Protocol.pdf>

NECA Committees

Reference Number and Thematic Area	Decision expected to be made on or within 60 days of	Decision Type: Key or Non- Key	Decision Maker	Details of Decision to be taken	Additional Documents for consideration	Contact Officer	Decision to be made in Public or Private (and relevant category of exemption)
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There are no further NECA meetings scheduled prior to the creation of NEMCA.

North East Joint Transport Committees

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North East Joint Transport Committee							
JTC 9 (i)	19 March 2024	Non-key	JTC	<p>Forecast of Capital Outturn 2023/24 – Period to December 2023</p> <p>The North East Joint Transport Committee is recommended to note the latest position in respect of the 2023/24 capital programme, set out in the report.</p>	<p>Transport Capital Programme 2023/24 (Public Pack) Agenda Document for North East Joint Transport Committee, 17/01/2023 14:30</p> <p>northeastca.gov.uk</p>	Eleanor Goodman Eleanor.goodman@northeastca.gov.uk	Public
JTC 9 (ii)	19 March 2024	Non-key	JTC	<p>Forecast of Revenue Outturn 2023/24 – Period to 31 December 2023</p> <p>The North East Joint Transport Committee is recommended to note the updated forecast of outturn for the 2023/24 Transport Budgets as set out in the report.</p>	<p>JTC Budget 2023/24 Forecast of Outturn</p> <p>https://necawebsite.s3.eu-west-2.amazonaws.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/05144950/2024.01.16-JTC-Agenda-Pack.pdf</p>	Eleanor Goodman Eleanor.goodman@northeastca.gov.uk	Public
JTC 9 (iii)	19 March 2024	Non-key	JTC	<p>Transport Plan Progress Report</p> <p>The Joint Transport Committee is recommended to note the contents of this report.</p>	None	Tobyn Hughes Tobyn.hughes@transportnortheast.gov.uk	Public
JTC 9 (iv)	19 March 2024	Key	JTC	<p>Northumberland Line Integrated Fares</p> <p>The purpose of this report is to seek approval for new integrated fares to be sold by Nexus enabling multi modal journeys on the Northumberland Line.</p>	None	Cathy Massarella Catherine.massarella@nexus.org.uk	Public

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JTC 9 (v)	19 March 2024	Key	JTC	<p>Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP) Capital and Revenue Programme Update</p> <p>The paper provides Members with an update on the BSIP programme on work which has been undertaken and achievements to date. The paper also requests Members to agree in principle to the remaining BSIP sub-programmes which clearly align to the Enhanced Partnership.</p> <p>The paper also seeks Members approval to agree the release of £360,000 of BSIP capital funding to Gateshead Council to accelerate the delivery of bus priority measures on Lambton Street, Gateshead town centre.</p>	None	Jonathan Bailes Jonathan.bailes@transportnortheast.gov.uk	Public
JTC (vi)	19 March 2024	Non-key	JTC	<p>Discharge of Transport Functions by Northumberland County Council</p> <p>Under the Constitution of the Combined Authority, and in accordance with an Operating Agreement between the Constituent Authorities, certain functions have been delegated to the Executive of the two Constituent County Councils, being Durham and Northumberland.</p> <p>This report provides an update on the discharge of delegated functions by Northumberland County Council for the financial year 2022/23.</p>	Previous discharge of transport function report can be found here: https://northeastca.gov.uk/decision-making/the-north-east-joint-transport-committee/#papers-section	Neil Easton neil.easton@northumberland.gov.uk	Public

JTC Tyne and Wear Sub-Committee (TWSC)

The next meeting is scheduled to take place on 11 April 2024

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JTC Audit Committee							
JTC Audit 2 (i)	13 March 2024	Non-key	JTC Audit	Joint Transport Committee Internal Audit Progress Report 2023/24 To consider and comment on the Internal Audit Progress Report for the Joint Transport Committee	None	Tracy Davis Tracy.davis@sunderland.gov.uk	Public
JTC Audit 2 (ii)	13 March 2024	Non-key	JTC Audit	Joint Transport Committee Strategic Risk Register 2023/24 To consider and comment on the Strategic Risk Register for the Joint Transport Committee.	None	Tracy Davis Tracy.davis@sunderland.gov.uk	Public
JTC Overview and Scrutiny Committee							
JTC OSC 4 (i)	28 March 2024	Non-key	JTC OSC	Bus Partnership Update This report is for information.	Enhanced Partnership - (Public Pack)Agenda Document for North East Joint Transport Committee, 21/03/2023 14:30 (northeastca.gov.uk) Bus Service Improvement Plan Refresh - TNE-BSIP-Refresh-Sept-23-WEB.pdf (transportnortheast.gov.uk) Your Vision for Buses - North-East-Vision-for-Buses-A4-v18.pdf (transportnortheast.gov.uk)	Heather Jones Heather.jones@transportnortheast.gov.uk	Public

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JTC OSC 4 (ii)	28 March 2024	Non-key	JTC OSC	<p>Transition of the transport function to the new Mayoral Combined Authority</p> <p>This report is for information.</p>	<p>North East devolution deal - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</p> <p>Devolution Deal - North East Combined Authority (northeastca.gov.uk)</p> <p>The North East Mayoral Combined Authority (Establishment and Functions) Order 2024 (legislation.gov.uk)</p>	Philip Meikle Philip.meikle@transportnortheast.gov.uk	Public
JTC OSC 4 (iii)	28 March 2024	Non-key	JTC OSC	<p>Forward Plan and Work Programme Update</p> <p>This report will provide an update on the 2023/2024 work programme of the JTC OSC.</p>	None	Gavin Armstrong Gavin.armstrong@northeastca.gov.uk	Public
JTC OSC 4 (iv)	28 March 2024	Non-key	JTC OSC	<p>North East Transport Plan Refresh</p> <p>The JTC Overview and Scrutiny Committee is recommended to note the contents of this report.</p>	None	Tobyn Hughes Tobyn.hughes@transportnortheast.gov.uk	Public