



Forward Plan of Decisions

13 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 Items withdrawn since the last publication are referred to as “Withdrawn” and following that will be removed altogether.**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

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JTC Tyne and Wear Sub-Committee (TWSC)							
TWSC 5 (i)	11 April 2024	Non-key	TWSC	Nexus Corporate Performance Update To provide an update on the performance of Nexus against its Corporate Business Plan for 2023/24	None	Cathy Massarella Catherine.massarella@nexus.org.uk	Public
TWSC 5 (ii)	11 April 2024	Non-key	TWSC	Nexus Corporate Risks 2024/25 Providing an update on the Nexus Corporate Risk Register for 2024/25 based on the approved Corporate Plan and demonstrates that these risks are being properly managed and controlled.	None	Cathy Massarella Catherine.massarella@nexus.org.uk	Public
TWSC 5 (iii)	11 April 2024	Non-key	TWSC	Tyne Tunnels Update The report provides an update on activities at the Tyne Tunnels relating to the management and operation of the traffic tunnels and Tyne Pedestrian and Cyclist Tunnels.	None	Michael Dodds michael.dodds@transportnortheast.gov.uk	Public
TWSC 5 (iv)	11 April 2024	Non-key	TWSC	Tyne Tunnels ADR Tunnel Category The report seeks approval from the Joint Transport Committee, Tyne and Wear Sub-Committee to submit a revision of the ADR tunnel category to the Department for Transport. The ADR is the 'Agreement concerning the Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road' and the tunnel category is assigned by the competent authority, which in this case is the North East Combined Authority acting as traffic authority for the Tyne Tunnels.	None	Michael Dodds Michael.dodds@transportnortheast.gov.uk	Public

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TWSC 5 (v)	11 April 2024	Key	TWSC	Sale of land adjacent to Heworth Metro Station Approval for the sale of land adjacent to Heworth Metro Station.	None	Cathy Massarella Catherine.massarella@nexus.org.uk	Private By virtue of paragraph 1 of Part 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act
TWSC 5 (vi)	11 April 2024	Key	TWSC	Nexus Non-Executive Directors Appointment of Non-Executive Directors to the Nexus Executive Board.	None	Tobyn Hughes Tobyn.hughes@transportnortheast.org.uk	Private By virtue of paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act
JTC Audit Committee							
There are no further meetings of the JTC Audit Committee scheduled.							
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)	Heather Jones Heather.jones@transportnortheast.gov.uk	Public

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					Your Vision for Buses - North-East-Vision-for-Buses-A4-v18.pdf (transportnortheast.gov.uk)		
JTC OSC 4 (ii)	28 March 2024	Non-key	JTC OSC	Transition of the transport function to the new Mayoral Combined Authority This report is for information.	North East devolution deal - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk) Devolution Deal - North East Combined Authority (northeastca.gov.uk) The North East Mayoral Combined Authority (Establishment and Functions) Order 2024 (legislation.gov.uk)	Philip Meikle Philip.meikle@transportnortheast.gov.uk	Public
JTC OSC 4 (iii)	28 March 2024	Non-key	JTC OSC	Forward Plan and Work Programme Update This report will provide an update on the 2023/2024 work programme of the JTC OSC.	None	Gavin Armstrong Gavin.armstrong@northeastca.gov.uk	Public
JTC OSC 4 (iv)	28 March 2024	Non-key	JTC OSC	North East Transport Plan Refresh The JTC Overview and Scrutiny Committee is recommended to note the contents of this report.	None	Tobyn Hughes Tobyn.hughes@transportnortheast.gov.uk	Public