



Forward Plan of Decisions

1 June 2022

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 Items withdrawn since the last publication are referred to as “Withdrawn” and following that will be removed altogether.**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)
Leadership Board							
LB 1 (a) Economic Development and Digital (Standing Item)	7 June 2022	Non-key	Leadership Board	Economic Development and Digital Thematic Update To note and provide any comments on the update report on the Economic Development and Digital Thematic Lead Portfolio		Rory Sherwood-Parkin Senior Economic Policy Manager - South Tyneside Council rory.sherwood-parkin@southtyneside.gov.uk	Public
LB 1 (b) Chairman's Portfolio (Standing Item)	7 June 2022	Non-key	Leadership Board	Thematic Lead Portfolio Update Report from the Chair To provide an update on the Chair's Thematic Lead Portfolio – for information and comment		Beverley Poulter Lead Policy Advisor to Leader and Chief Executive - Sunderland City Council Beverley.poulter@sunderland.gov.uk	Public
LB 1 (c) Finance and Skills and Employment (Standing Item)	7 June 2022	Non-key	Leadership Board	Finance and Skills and Employment Thematic Lead Portfolio Update Report To provide an update on the Finance and Skills and Employment Thematic Lead Portfolio		Graham Wood Economic Development Manager - Durham County Council graham.wood@durham.gov.uk John Tindale Employability Manager - Durham County Council john.tindale@durham.gov.uk	Public

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LB 1 (d) Transport (Standing Item)	7 June 2022	Non-key	Leadership Board	Transport Thematic Lead Portfolio Update Report To provide an update on the Transport Thematic Lead Portfolio		Stuart Corker Transport Planning Team Leader - Gateshead Council stuartcorker@gateshead.gov.uk	Public
LB 1 (e) Corporate Issue	7 June 2022	Key	Leadership Board	Programme of Committee Meetings Municipal Year 2022/23 The Leadership Board are asked to agree the programme of Committee meetings for the Municipal Year 2022/23 starting from the Annual meeting of the NECA Leadership Board		Nicola Robason Monitoring Officer - NECA Nicola.robason@southtyneside.gov.uk	Public
LB 1 (f) Corporate Issue	7 June 2022	Key	Leadership Board	Review of the Constitution The NECA Leadership Board are asked to review the NECA Constitution		Nicola Robason Monitoring Officer - NECA Nicola.robason@southtyneside.gov.uk	Public

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LB 1 (g) Corporate Issue	7 June 2022	Key	Leadership Board	<p>Appointment of Committees, Agreement of Membership, Appointment of Chairs and Vice-Chairs, Appointment of Members to Outside Bodies and Appointment of External Auditor</p> <p>The Leadership Board is requested to make the appropriate required appointments for 2022/23 Municipal Year</p>		<p>Nicola Robason Monitoring Officer - NECA Nicola.robason@southtyneside.gov.uk</p>	Public
LB 1 (h) Corporate Issue	7 June 2022	Key	Leadership Board	<p>Membership of the Leadership Board</p> <p>Members are requested to make the appropriate required appointments to the Leadership Board</p>		<p>Nicola Robason Monitoring Officer - NECA Nicola.robason@southtyneside.gov.uk</p>	Public
Audit and Standards Sub-Committee							
There are no meetings currently scheduled.							

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Audit and Standards Committee							
AS 1 (a) Corporate Issue	28 June 2022	Non-key	Audit and Standards Committee	NECA Annual Governance Statement 2021/22 For comment and consideration		Tracy Davis Senior Manager of Assurance - Sunderland City Council tracy.davis@sunderland.gov.uk	Public
AS 1 (b) Corporate Issue	28 June 2022	Non-key	Audit and Standards Committee	North East Combined Authority Strategic Risk Register For comment and consideration		Tracy Davis Senior Manager of Assurance - Sunderland City Council tracy.davis@sunderland.gov.uk	Public
AS 1 (c) Corporate Issue	28 June 2022	Non-key	Audit and Standards Committee	Draft Statement of Accounts 2021/22 For information only	NECA draft Statement of Accounts 2020/21 NECA-Draft-Statement-of-Accounts-2020-21.pdf (northeastca.gov.uk)	Eleanor Goodman Finance Manager - NECA Eleanor.goodman@northeastca.gov.uk 0191 433 3860	Public
AS 1 (d) Corporate Issue	28 June 2022	Non-key	Audit and Standards Committee	Consideration of 'Going Concern Status' for the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022 For information only	NECA Budget and Medium-Term Financial Plan, Leadership Board 1 February 2022 https://northeastca.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/Agenda-Pack-1-	Eleanor Goodman Finance Manager - NECA Eleanor.goodman@northeastca.gov.uk 0191 433 3860	Public

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					February-20221.pdf		
AS 1 (e) Corporate Issue	28 June 2022	Non-key	Audit and Standards Committee	External Audit Progress Report For information only		Jim Dafter Senior Manager - Mazars jim.dafter@mazars.co.uk	Public
Overview and Scrutiny Committee							
OSC (a) Corporate Issue	7 July	Non-key	Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Forward Plan and Work Programme Update For information and agreement		Gavin Armstrong Policy & Scrutiny Officer - NECA Gavin.armstrong@northeastca.gov.uk 07825 658575	Public
OSC (a) Economic Development and Digital	7 July	Non-key	Overview and Scrutiny Committee	UK Shared Prosperity Fund Update For information only		Gavin Armstrong Policy & Scrutiny Officer - NECA Gavin.armstrong@northeastca.gov.uk 07825 658575	Public
OSC (a) Economic Development and Digital Skills and Employment	7 July	Non-key	Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Tackling Inequalities Update For information only		Gavin Armstrong Policy & Scrutiny Officer - NECA Gavin.armstrong@northeastca.gov.uk 07825 658575	Public
Economic Development and Digital Advisory Board (EDDAB)							
The date of the next Economic Development and Digital Advisory Board meeting is to be confirmed.							

North East Joint Transport Committees

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North East Joint Transport Committee (JTC)							
JTC 1 (a)	14 June 2022	Key	JTC	North East Rail and Metro Strategy This report seeks approval to adopt the North East Rail and Metro Strategy following a period of public consultation.	North East Rail and Metro Strategy	Derek Gittins Derek.gittins@transportnortheast.gov.uk	Public
JTC 1 (b)	14 June 2022	Non-key	JTC	Transport Plan Progress Report The Joint Transport Committee is recommended to note the contents of the report.	None	Tobyn.hughes@transportnortheast.gov.uk	Public
JTC 1 (c)	14 June 2022	Non-key	JTC	Appointment of JTC Committees This report seeks approval of the membership of the JTC Committees for 2022/23, the appointment of the Chair and Vice Chair of the Tyne and Wear Sub-Committee and the appointment of the Independent Chair and Vice Chair of the JTC Audit Committee and JTC Overview and Scrutiny Committee.	None	Mike Barker mikebarker@gateshead.gov.uk	Public
JTC 1 (d)	14 June 2022	Non-key	JTC	Programme of Committee Meetings This report seeks approval of the programme of committee meetings from June 2022 – May 2023.	None	Mike Barker Mike.barker@gateshead.gov.uk	Public
JTC 2 (a)	12 July 2022	Non-key	JTC	2021/22 Revenue Budget and Capital Programme Outturn This report is for information	JTC Budget and Capital Programme 2021/22, 19 January 2021, https://northeastca.gov.uk/wp-	Eleanor Goodman Eleanor.goodman@northeastca.gov.uk	Public

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					content/uploads/2021/01/2021.01.19-JTC-Public-Agenda-1.pdf		
JTC 2 (b)	12 July 2022	Non-key	JTC	2022/23 Revenue Budget and Capital Programme Update This report is for information	JTC Budget and capital programme 2022/23, 2 February 2022, https://northeastca.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/2022.02.02-JTC-Public-Document-Pack.pdf	Eleanor Goodman Eleanor.goodman@nortneastca.gov.uk	Public
JTC 2 (c)	12 July 2022	Key	JTC	Transforming Cities Fund Tranche 2 – Grant Funding Agreements This report will seek JTC approval to allocate funding from the Transforming Cities Fund (TCF) Devolved Pot to a number of schemes, subject to successful appraisal in line with the North East Transport Assurance Framework.	None	Jonathan Bailes Jonathan.bailes@transport.gov.uk	Public
JTC 2 (d)	12 July 2022	Non-key	JTC	Transport Plan Progress Report The Joint Transport Committee is recommended to note the contents of this report.	None	Tobyn Hughes Tobyn.hughes@transportnortheast.gov.uk	Public
JTC 2 (e)	12 July 2022	Key	JTC	Making the Right Travel Choice Strategy – Approval to consult This report seeks agreement from Members to proceed to consult on the draft Making the Right Travel Choice Strategy.	None	Rachelle Forsyth-Ward Rachelle.forsythward@transportnortheast.gov.uk	Public

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Joint Transport Committee Tyne and Wear Sub-Committee (TWSC)							
TWSC 1 (a)	7 July 2022	Non-key	TWSC	Corporate Performance Update 2021/2022 To provide Members with the latest position on Nexus' Corporate Performance for periods 12 and 13 of 2021/22	None	Martin Kearney Martin.kearney@nexus.org.uk	Public
TWSC 1 (b)	7 July 2022	Non-key	TWSC	Corporate Performance Update 2022/2023 To provide Members with the latest update on Nexus' Corporate Performance for period 1 of 2022/23	None	Martin Kearney Martin.kearney@nexus.org.uk	Public
TWSC 1 (c)	7 July 2022	Non-key	TWSC	Corporate Risks Update To provide Members with the latest update on Nexus Corporate Risks	None	Martin Kearney Martin.kearney@nexus.org.uk	Public
TWSC 1 (d)	7 July 2022	Non-key	TWSC	Tyne Tunnels Update To provide an update on Tyne Tunnels	None	Fiona Bootle Fiona.bootle@transport.northeast.gov.uk	Public
TWSC 1 (e)	7 July 2022	Non-key	TWSC	Tyne Pass Schedule update To provide an update on the Tyne Pass Scheme and propose an appraisal of how effective the scheme has been since go-live in November 2021	None	Fiona Bootle Fiona.bootle@transport.northeast.gov.uk	Public
North East Joint Transport Committee Audit Committee (JTC Audit Committee)							
The next meeting of the JTC Audit Committee is to be confirmed.							
North East Joint Transport Committee Overview and Scrutiny Committee (JTC Overview and Scrutiny Committee)							
The next meeting of the JTC OSC is to be confirmed.							