



## Forward Plan of Decisions

### 29 November 2021

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 Items withdrawn since the last publication are referred to as “Withdrawn” and following that will be removed altogether.**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)
<b>Leadership Board</b>							
LB 4 (a) Economic Development and Digital (Standing Item)	14 Dec 2021	Non-key	Leadership Board	<b>Economic Development and Digital Thematic Update</b> To note and provide any comments on the update report on the Economic Development and Digital Thematic Lead Portfolio.		George Mansbridge <a href="mailto:George.Mansbridge@southtyneside.gov.uk">George.Mansbridge@southtyneside.gov.uk</a>	Public
LB 4 (b) Finance and Skills and Employment (Standing Item)	14 Dec 2021	Non-key	Leadership Board	<b>Finance and Skills and Employment Thematic Lead Portfolio Update Report</b> To provide an update on the Finance and Skills and Employment Thematic Lead Portfolio.		Graham Wood <a href="mailto:Graham.Wood@durham.gov.uk">Graham.Wood@durham.gov.uk</a>	Public
LB 4 (c) Transport (Standing Item)	14 Dec 2021	Non-key	Leadership Board	<b>Transport Thematic Lead Portfolio Update Report</b> To provide an update on the Transport Thematic Lead Portfolio		Anneliese Hutchinson <a href="mailto:anneliesehutchinson@gateshead.gov.uk">anneliesehutchinson@gateshead.gov.uk</a>	Public

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LB 4 (d) Corporate Issue	14 Dec 2021	Non-key	Leadership Board	<b>Treasury Management Mid-Year Update 2021/22</b> For information only	<b>Treasury Management Policy and Strategy 2021/22 – NECA Leadership Board 2 February 2021</b>  <a href="#">Leadership-Board-2-February-2021-Agenda-Pack.pdf (northeastca.gov.uk)</a>	Eleanor Goodman <a href="mailto:Eleanor.goodman@northeastca.gov.uk">Eleanor.goodman@northeastca.gov.uk</a>	Public
LB 4 (e) Corporate Issue	14 Dec 2021	Non-key	Leadership Board	<b>Appointment of Deputy Head of Paid Service</b>  To approve the appointment of South Tyneside Council's Chief Executive to the position of deputy Head of Paid Service, North East Combined Authority		Nicola Robason <a href="mailto:Nicola.robason@southtyneside.gov.uk">Nicola.robason@southtyneside.gov.uk</a>	Public

#### Audit and Standards Sub-Committee

There are no meetings currently scheduled.

#### Audit and Standards Committee

The next meeting of the Audit and Standards Committee is scheduled to take place on 25 January 2022.

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<b>Overview and Scrutiny Committee</b>							
OS 3 (a) Corporate Issue	16 Dec 2021	Non-key	Overview and Scrutiny Committee	<b>NECA Budget Proposals 2022/23</b> For information only	<b>NECA Budget Proposals 2022/23, Leadership Board report 2 November 2021</b>  <a href="#">NECA-Leadership-Board-2-November-2021-Public-Agenda-Pack.pdf (northeastca.gov.uk)</a>	Eleanor Goodman <a href="mailto:Eleanor.goodman@northeastca.gov.uk">Eleanor.goodman@northeastca.gov.uk</a>	Public
OS 3 (b) Corporate Issue	16 Dec 2021	Non-key	Overview and Scrutiny Committee	<b>Forward Plan and Work Programme Update</b> For information and to agree proposed plan		Gavin Armstrong <a href="mailto:Gavin.armstrong@northeastca.gov.uk">Gavin.armstrong@northeastca.gov.uk</a>	Public
OS 3 (c) Economic Development and Digital	16 Dec 2021	Non-key	Overview and Scrutiny Committee	<b>Digital Inclusion</b> For information only		Gavin Armstrong <a href="mailto:Gavin.armstrong@northeastca.gov.uk">Gavin.armstrong@northeastca.gov.uk</a>	Public
OS 3 (d) Corporate Issue	16 Dec 2021	Non-key	Overview and Scrutiny Committee	<b>Public Health and Social Care – Winter Pressures</b> For information only		Gavin Armstrong <a href="mailto:Gavin.armstrong@northeastca.gov.uk">Gavin.armstrong@northeastca.gov.uk</a>	Public
<b>Economic Development and Digital Advisory Board (EDDAB)</b>							

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The next meeting of the Economic and Digital Advisory Board is scheduled to take place 22 February 2022							

### North East Joint Transport Committees

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<b>North East Joint Transport Committee (JTC)</b>							
JTC 6 (a)	14 December 2021	Key	JTC	<p><b>North East Enhanced Partnership</b> The purpose of the report is to request approval from the Committee of the consultation materials (Draft Enhanced Partnership Plan &amp; Enhanced Partnership Schemes) for the operators objection period and statutory consultation with key stakeholders.</p>	<p>North East Bus Service Improvement Plan</p> <p><a href="https://transportnortheast.gov.uk">TNE-BSIP_FINAL.pdf (transportnortheast.gov.uk)</a></p> <p>Bus Partnerships and Bus Partnerships Resources</p> <p><a href="https://northeastca.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/2021.06.15-JTC-Public-Agenda-Pack.pdf">https://northeastca.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/2021.06.15-JTC-Public-Agenda-Pack.pdf</a></p> <p>Vision for Buses</p> <p><a href="https://northeastca.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/2021.07.13-JTC-Public-Agenda-Pack-v2.pdf">https://northeastca.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021.07.13-JTC-Public-Agenda-Pack-v2.pdf</a></p> <p>Bus Back Better - The National Bus Strategy</p> <p><a href="https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk">https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk</a></p>	Philip Meikle <a href="mailto:Philip.meikle@transportnortheast.gov.uk">Philip.meikle@transportnortheast.gov.uk</a>	Public

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					<a href="#">k/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/980227/DfT-Bus-Back-Better-national-bus-strategy-for-England.pdf</a>  The Bus Services Act 2017 – Enhanced Partnership Guidance <a href="https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/959501/bus-services-act-2017-enhanced-partnerships-guidance.pdf">https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/959501/bus-services-act-2017-enhanced-partnerships-guidance.pdf</a>		
JTC (6) b	14 December 2021	Non-key	JTC	<b>Integrated Rail Plan and Leamside Line Update</b> This report will provide an overview and insight into the Integrated Rail Plan and the Leamside Line.	<a href="#">Integrated Rail Plan for the North and Midlands (publishing.service.gov.uk)</a>	Derek Gittins <a href="mailto:Derek.gittins@transportnortheast.gov.uk">Derek.gittins@transportnortheast.gov.uk</a>	Public

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<b>Joint Transport Committee Tyne and Wear Sub-Committee (TWSC)</b>							
The next meeting of the Joint Transport Committee Tyne and Wear Sub-Committee is scheduled to take place on 13 January 2022.							
<b>North East Joint Transport Committee Audit Committee (JTC Audit Committee)</b>							
The next meeting of the Joint Transport Committee Audit Committee is scheduled to take place on 23 March 2021							
<b>North East Joint Transport Committee Overview and Scrutiny Committee (JTC Overview and Scrutiny Committee)</b>							
JTC OSC 3 (a)	16 December 2021	Non-key	JTC OSC	<b>JTC Budget Proposals 2022/23</b> The Committee is recommended to note the report for information.	JTC Budget Proposals 2022/23 – JTC Report 16 November 2021	Eleanor Goodman <a href="mailto:Eleanor.goodman@north-eastca.gov.uk">Eleanor.goodman@north-eastca.gov.uk</a>	Public
JTC OSC 3 (b)	16 December 2021	Non-key	JTC OSC	<b>Application of the Transport Assurance Framework</b> This report is for information only, it will provide members of the JTC Overview and Scrutiny Committee with an overview of the regional Transport Assurance Framework and its application, specifically in relation to the appraisal of transport schemes and the allocation of funding.	Transport Assurance Framework - <a href="#">NORTH EAST JOINT TRANSPORT COMMITTEE (transportnortheast.gov.uk)</a>	Jonathan Bailes <a href="mailto:Jonathan.bailes@transportnortheast.gov.uk">Jonathan.bailes@transportnortheast.gov.uk</a>	Public
JTC OSC 3 (c)	16 December 2021	Non-key	JTC OSC	<b>Joint Transport Committee Forward Plan and Scrutiny Work Programme</b> The Committee is asked to review and comment on the proposed work programme	None	Gavin Armstrong <a href="mailto:Gavin.armstrong@north-eastca.gov.uk">Gavin.armstrong@north-eastca.gov.uk</a>	Public



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