

Leadership Board, 2 February 2021

Decisions - Notification

Please Note: In accordance with the Constitution of the Combined Authority, key decisions will not be implemented pending any call-in.

Date of Publication: 3 February 2021

Any valid requests for call-in must be received by the Monitoring Officer by 5pm on Wednesday 10 February 2021.

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3. Minutes of the previous meeting	Approved as a correct record.	Jonathan Lunness Strategy and Democratic Services Assistant, NECA jonathan.lunness@northeastca.gov.uk 0191 4247536
4. Announcements from the Chair	None.	Beverley Poulter Lead Policy Officer, Sunderland Council

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5. Chair's Thematic Portfolio	That the update be noted.	Beverley Poulter Lead Policy Officer, Sunderland Council Beverley.poulter@sunderland.gov.uk
6. Economic Development and Digital Thematic Update	That the update be noted.	John Scott Acting Head of Economic Growth john.scott@southtyneside.gov.uk
7. Finance, Skills and Employability Thematic Update	That the update be noted.	Amy Harhoff Corporate Director Regeneration Economy & Growth Amy.Harhoff@durham.gov.uk
8. Transport Thematic Update	That the update be noted.	Sheena Ramsey Chief Executive, Gateshead Council SheenaRamsey@gateshead.gov.uk
9. Capital Programme and Treasury Management Policy	i. the forecast outturn position for 2021/21 set out in section 2.3 of the report be noted;	Paul Darby Chief Finance Officer, NECA Paul.darby@durham.gov.uk

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and Strategy 2021/22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ii. it be agreed to administer the Capital Programme approved by the Joint Transport Committee as set out in section 2.3 of the report; iii. the Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) Statement contained within Appendix 2 of the report which sets out the Authority's policy on MRP be agreed; iv. the Treasury Management Strategy and the Treasury Prudential Indicators contained in Appendix 2 of the report, including the Authorised Limit, be agreed; and v. the Cash Investment Strategy 2021/22 contained in the Treasury Management Strategy within Appendix 2 of the report be agreed. 	
10. Budget 2020/21 and Medium-Term Financial Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. the forecast outturn position for 2021/22 be noted; ii. the budget for 2021/22 for NECA Corporate Costs of £115,750, with an equal contribution of £25,000 from each constituent authority as set out in section 2.7 of the report be unanimously agreed; iii. a budget for 2021/22 in respect of the Accountable Body role for the JTC of £87,190, with an equal contribution of £10,000 from each of the seven Local Authorities in the JTC area as set out in section 2.7 of the report be unanimously agreed; iv. the decision taken on 19 January 2021 by the JTC about the Transport Budget and Levies for 2021/22 as set out in section 2.8-2.11 and the JTC report attached in Appendix 2 	<p>Paul Darby</p> <p>Chief Finance Officer, NECA</p> <p>Paul.darby@durham.gov.uk</p>

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	<p>of the report be noted, with the following levies issued in accordance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Durham County Council - £15,485,400 b. Gateshead Council - £10,815,502 c. South Tyneside Council - £8,081,370 d. Sunderland City Council - £14,864,859; <p>v. arrangements be made to administer payment of a transport revenue grant of £15,475,400 to Durham County Council for the delivery of transport services and to Nexus for the delivery of transport services in Tyne and Wear of £57,813,000 (which is net of £1,187,000 retained by Transport North East to fund Metro Future studies);</p> <p>vi. it be noted that the North of Tyne Combined Authority will issue the Transport Levies to Newcastle City Council (£16,209,202), North Tyneside Council (£11,129,066) and Northumberland County Council (£6,328,000) that have been agreed by the JTC and will pass the levy income from Newcastle City Council and North Tyneside Council to NECA in order to meet costs relating to the Tyne and Wear area;</p> <p>vii. it be noted that the North of Tyne Combined Authority will issue the Transport Grant to Northumberland County Council (£6,318,000) agreed by the JTC and make a £10,000 contribution to NECA in respect of Northumberland County Council's contribution to the costs of the JTC;</p>	

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	<p>viii. the Chief Finance Officer and Monitoring Officer be authorised to take such other steps necessary to give effect to the proposals set out in the report;</p> <p>ix. the section on the level of reserves set out in section 2.12-2.13 of the report be noted; and</p> <p>x. the Pay Policy Statement in Appendix 3 of the report be approved.</p>	
9. Date and Time of Next Meeting	3 March 2021, 2.00pm – noted.	<p>Jonathan Lunness</p> <p>Strategy and Democratic Services Assistant, NECA</p> <p>jonathan.lunness@northeastca.gov.uk 0191 4247536</p>