



Cabinet, 28 July 2020

Decisions Notification

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Any valid requests for call-in must be received by the Monitoring Officer by 5pm on 7 August 2020.

Agenda item	Decision	Contact Officer(s)
1. Apologies for Absence	n/a	
2. Announcements	n/a	

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3. Declarations of Interest	n/a	
4. Minutes of the previous meeting	Approved as a correct record.	Victoria Miller Democratic Services Victoria.Miller@northoftyne-ca.gov.uk
5. Investment Fund Update and Funding Approvals	<p>The Cabinet:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Noted the progress to date on the Investment Fund, achievement of key milestones and ongoing development work, particularly in respect of defrayed expenditure and project development around our priority sectors; ii. Approved the allocation of funding of £500,000 of Business Case Development funding for the Unlocking Sustainable Future Homes through Collaboration proposal subject to conditions in section 1.3 of the report; iii. Approved the allocation of funding of £1,299,952 for the Advancing Circular Economy – R&D Demonstrator project subject to the funding conditions set out in section 1.4 of the report; iv. Approved the allocation of funding of £125,000 to fund NTCA's online community engagement and crowdfunding platforms, subject to the funding conditions set out in section 1.5 of the report; 	Chrisi Page North of Tyne Investment Programme Manager Chrisi.page@northoftyne-ca.gov.uk 07977 517556

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	v. Authorised the Interim Head of Paid Service to finalise the conditions to be attached to the above funding awards and authorised the Interim Monitoring Officer to complete the necessary documentation.	
6. Community Hubs Investment Fund	The Cabinet: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Agreed an indicative overall Investment Fund of £1.53 million to establish a Community Hubs Investment Fund; ii. Endorsed the development of a full business case – created through bottom-up identification of relevant projects by Local Authorities within a NTCA assurance framework; with funding subsequently devolved to Local Authorities on this basis; iii. Authorised the Interim Head of Paid Service, in consultation with the Investment Panel and the Mayor (as Portfolio holder for this workstream), to consider and approve the final business case which has been subject to a full appraisal and will set out clear assessment criteria and approach to delivery. 	Rhiannon Bearne Policy and Development Officer Rhiannon.bearne@northoftyne-ca.gov.uk 0191 211 5981
7. Adult Education Budget Devolution	The Cabinet noted the progress which has been made in preparation for the North of Tyne Combined Authority taking control of the devolved Adult Education Budget and endorsed the investment approach to address local need.	Leigh Mills Head of Inclusive Growth leigh.mills@northoftyne-ca.gov.uk 07855 100179

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8. Joint School Improvement Strategy	<p>The Cabinet:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Considered the strategy outlined and endorsed the overall approach, as set out in the report. ii. Agreed that officers in each constituent local authority and at the North of Tyne Combined Authority would commence work on the actions outlined in the strategy. iii. Delegated authority to the Head of Paid Service, in consultation with the Cabinet portfolio holder, to finalise the terms of reference for and appointments to the Education Improvement Board and the associated arrangements set out in the report. 	<p>Adrian Dougherty Strategic Lead Education Challenge adrian.dougherty@northoftyne-ca.gov.uk 01912774726</p>
9. 2019/20 NTCA and North East LEP Financial Outturn: including LEP 2020/21 Budget and Illustrations for 2021-22 and INEE 2019/20 Outturn and 2020/21 Budget	<p>The Cabinet:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Noted the information contained in the report; ii. Noted the positive 2019/20 NTCA Outturn position of £0.285m; iii. Recommended that £0.200m be carried forward of for commissioning work; iv. Noted the Draft 2019/20 Audited Statement of Accounts which was presented at Audit and Standards Committee 28 July 2020; v. Noted the intention to present the audited 2019/20 Statement of Accounts to the Cabinet on the 29 September 2020 following consideration by the Audit and Standards Committee on the 22 September 2020. vi. Noted the update on the North East LEP 2019/20 financial outturn; the updated 2020/21 budget and illustrations for 2021/22 and 2022/23; including the North East Investment 	<p>Janice Gillespie Chief Finance Officer Janice.gillespie@northoftyne-ca.gov.uk 0191 643 5701</p>

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	Fund, Enterprise Zone Account and the Invest North East England outturn and budget position.	
10. Q.1 2020/21 Budget Monitoring Report	The Cabinet noted the forecast budget monitoring position for the Combined Authority as set out in paragraphs 1.2, 1.3,1.4 and 1.5.	Janice Gillespie Chief Finance Officer Janice.gillespie@northoftyne-ca.gov.uk 0191 643 5701
11. Updated Financial Regulations and Contract Standing Orders	<p>The Cabinet:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Approved the changes to existing Financial Regulations, including Contract Standing Orders, described in the report and set out in Appendices A and B; and ii. Authorised the Chief Finance Officer and the Monitoring Officer to finalise the terms of the revised Financial Regulations and the Contract Standing Orders. 	Janice Gillespie Chief Finance Officer Janice.gillespie@northoftyne-ca.gov.uk 0191 643 5701
12. Date and Time of the Next Meeting	Tuesday, 29 September 2020 at 2pm.	