

Officer Delegated Decision Record

Decision Title:

Visit North East England FY 2026-2027

Is this decision Key or Non-key?

No

If the decision is Key, has the decision been published on the Forward Plan?

N/A

Is this decision subject to Call-in?

No

Decision:

Option 1: Non-Confidential decision:

- i. Approve £2,259,412 from the North East CA Investment Fund to support the first-year priorities and activities for Visit North East England, the visitor economy function of Experience North East England, as set out in this report.
- ii. Approve the carry forward of £72,207 from financial year 2025/26 to financial year 2026/27.

Delegation:

Cabinet meeting held on 9 December 2025 Decision No. 50/12/25 Governance Update, Cabinet resolved to approve the revised Scheme of Officer Delegations set out at Appendix 1.

North East Mayoral Strategic Authority Constitution: Part 2.7 B: Scheme of Delegations:
Part B: Delegations to the Head of Paid Service: HPS 16 To award and sign a grant offer or agreement up to £5m.

Cabinet meeting held on 17 March 2026, Decision No: C71/03/26 North East Visitor Economy Update and next steps: (2) Cabinet resolved to approve an in-principle allocation of up to £7 million to fund the agreed activities over the next three financial years, with approval of funding decisions (and the completion of the relevant grant funding agreements) delegated to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Mayor and Portfolio Holder, and subject to business cases being considered through the Single Assurance Framework process. Cabinet is asked to agree that a one-year delivery plan for 2026/27 is brought through this process as soon as practicable following Cabinet, with a more detailed comprehensive business plan following later this year for the further two years 1 April 2027 to 31 March 2029.

Consultation:

Cabinet Member:	Yes
Monitoring Officer:	Yes
Director of Finance and Investment:	Yes

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