
CABINET URGENT DECISIONS

Responsible Cabinet Member - Councillor Bill Dixon, Leader of the Council

Responsible Director – Chief Officers Executive

SUMMARY REPORT

Purpose of the Report

1. To report the urgent decisions made by Cabinet to which the procedure for calling-in could not be applied, as contained in this Council's Constitution.

NOTE – The topics of the reports outlined below are not to be the subject of debate by Council. However, Councillors may ask technical or factual questions to the relevant Director as to the reason(s) for urgency.

Recommendation

2. That the urgent decisions taken be noted.

Reasons

3. To comply with this Council's Constitution.

Chief Officers Executive

Background Papers

Report to Cabinet on Tuesday, 22nd November 2011, entitled 'Medium Term Financial Plan 2012/13 to 2015/16';

Report to Cabinet on Tuesday, 6th December 2011, entitled 'Review of the Blue Badge Scheme';

Report to Cabinet on Tuesday, 6th December 2011, entitled 'Housing Retrofit Programme 2013-2016';

Report to Cabinet on Tuesday, 10th January 2012, entitled 'Heathfield School Company'.

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S17 Crime and Disorder	The contents of this report has been considered in the context of the requirements placed on the Council by Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998, namely, the duty on the Council to exercise its functions with due regard to the likely effect of the exercise of those functions on, and the need to do all that it reasonably can to prevent, crime and disorder in its areas. It is not considered that the contents of this report have any such effect.
Health and Well Being	Any impact in relation to Health and Well Being are referred to in the individual reports submitted to Cabinet.
Carbon Impact	Any impact in relation to Carbon Impact is referred to in the individual reports submitted to Cabinet.
Diversity	Any impact in relation to Diversity is referred to in the individual reports submitted to Cabinet.
Wards Affected	Any impact in relation to Wards Affected are referred to in the individual reports submitted to Cabinet.
Groups Affected	Any impact in relation to Groups Affected are referred to in the individual reports submitted to Cabinet.
Budget and Policy Framework	This report does not recommend a change to the Council's budget or policy framework.
Key Decision	This is a non Executive decision.
Urgent Decision	This is not an urgent decision.
One Darlington: Perfectly Placed	Any impact in relation to One Darlington: Perfectly Placed are referred to in the individual reports submitted to Cabinet.
Efficiency	Any impact in relation to Efficiency is referred to in the individual reports submitted to Cabinet.

MAIN REPORT

Information and Analysis

4. Contained within this Council's Constitution is a procedure for Scrutiny Committees to call-in decisions of Cabinet. This call-in procedure does not apply where the decision being taken by Cabinet or an Officer is urgent.
5. A decision will be urgent if any delay, which is likely to be caused by the call-in process, would seriously prejudice the Council's or the public interest.
6. The Constitution states that decisions taken as a matter of urgency must be reported to the next available meeting of the Council, together with the reasons for urgency and, given below, are details of such decisions taken since the last ordinary meeting of Council held on 24th November 2011.

C83	Medium Term Financial Plan 2012/13 to 2015/16 (Recommendation H only)	To enable approval of the proposals for a criteria-based application process for Strategic Grant in time for the proposals to be applied in the next grant cycle.
C90 (1)	Review of the Blue Badge Scheme	To enable the scheme to be introduced early in 2012.
C90 (2)	Housing Retrofit Programme 2013-2016	To meet the requirements of the City of Newcastle procurement timetable, and to maximise the benefits of the Green Deal.
C106	Heathfield School Company	In order to allow the school to begin the service as soon as possible so that children with well being needs could start to benefit quickly.

Outcome of Consultation

7. No formal consultation was undertaken in the preparation of this report.