



# Communities and Local Services Scrutiny Committee Agenda

10.00 am

Thursday, 7 April 2022

Council Chamber, Town Hall, Darlington, DL1 5QT

**Members of the Public are welcome to attend this Meeting.**

1. Introductions/Attendance at Meeting
2. Declarations of Interest
3. To approve the Minutes of the meeting of this Scrutiny held on 17 February 2022 (Pages 3 - 8)
4. Public Sector Executive Group –  
Report of the Director, Darlington Partnership  
(Pages 9 - 12)
5. The Northgate Initiative –  
Report of the Director, Darlington Partnership  
(Pages 13 - 18)
6. Darlington Hippodrome –  
Presentation by the Head of Culture and Heritage  
(Pages 19 - 32)
7. Darlington Libraries –  
Presentation by the Library Manager  
(Pages 33 - 54)

8. Work Programme –  
Report of the Assistant Director Law and Governance  
(Pages 55 - 72)
9. SUPPLEMENTARY ITEM(S) (if any) which in the opinion of the Chair of this Committee are of an urgent nature and can be discussed at the meeting.
10. Questions



**Luke Swinhoe**  
**Assistant Director Law and Governance**

**Wednesday, 30 March 2022**

**Town Hall**  
**Darlington.**

**Membership**

Councillors Allen, Bartch, Cossins, Mrs Culley, Donoghue, Haszeldine, B Jones, McCollom, Tait, Wallis and Willis

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