

## **Cabinet Agenda**

5.00 pm Tuesday, 9 January 2024 Council Chamber, Town Hall, Darlington DL1 5QT

# Members and Members of the Public are welcome to attend this Meeting.

- 1. Introductions/Attendance at Meeting.
- 2. Declarations of Interest.
- 3. To hear relevant representation (from Members and the General Public) on items on this Cabinet agenda.
- 4. To approve the Minutes of the meeting of this Cabinet held on Tuesday, 5 December 2023 (Pages 5 10)
- Matters Referred to Cabinet –
   There are no matters referred back for reconsideration to this meeting
- 6. Issues Arising from Scrutiny Committee There are no issues referred back from the Scrutiny Committees to this Meeting, other than where they have been specifically consulted on an issue and their comments are included in the contents of the relevant report on this agenda.
- 7. Key Decisions:-
  - (a) Maintained Schools Capital Programme Summer 2024 and High Needs Capital Report of the Group Director of Services.
     (Pages 11 - 16)
  - (b) Northern Echo Redevelopment Report of the Chief Executive. (Pages 17 150)

- (c) Revised Climate Change Strategy Report of the Chief Executive. (Pages 151 184)
- 8. Council Plan Quarter Two Report of the Chief Officers Executive. (Pages 185 244)
- Housing Services Climate Change Strategy 2024/29 –
   Report of the Group Director of Operations.
   (Pages 245 264)
- 10. Land at Central Park Sale to Network Rail Report of the Chief Executive. (Pages 265 270)
- Council Tax and Business Rates Recovery Strategy 2024/29 –
   Report of the Group Director of Operations.
   (Pages 271 288)
- Council Tax and Business Rates Discretionary Relief Policy 2024/29 –
   Report of Group Director of Operations.
   (Pages 289 308)
- 13. Discretionary Housing Payment Policy 2024/29 Report of the Group Director of Operations. (Pages 309 320)
- 14. Delivery of New Homes at Blackwell Joint Venture Proposal Report of the Group Director of Operations. (Pages 321 510)
- 15. Membership Changes To consider any Membership Changes to Other Bodies to which Cabinet appoints.
- 16. 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 this meeting.
- 17. Questions.

#### **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS**

18. To consider the exclusion of the Public and Press :- – **RESOLVED** - That, pursuant to Sections 100A(4) and (5) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the ensui

1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the ensuing items on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in exclusion paragraph 3 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act.

Le Sinhe

### Luke Swinhoe Assistant Director Law and Governance

Thursday 28 December 2023

Town Hall Darlington.

#### Membership

Councillors Curry, Harker, McCollom, McEwan, Porter, Dr. Riley, Roche and Wallis

If you need this information in a different language or format or you have any other queries on this agenda please contact Lynne Wood, Elections Manager, Operations Group, during normal office hours 8.30 a.m. to 4.45 p.m. Mondays to Thursdays and 8.30 a.m. to 4.15 p.m. Fridays (e-mail Lynne.Wood@darlington.gov.uk or telephone 01325 405803).