



DARLINGTON
Borough Council

Cabinet Agenda

5.00 pm

Tuesday, 8 July 2025

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 10 June 2025. (Pages 5 - 10)
5. 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) Consultation on a Homes Strategy for the Borough – Report of the Executive Director Economy and Public Protection (Pages 11 - 62)
 - (b) Proposed Introduction of an Article 4 Direction To Control The Changes of Use From a Dwelling to a Small House of Multiple Occupation (Between 3-6 Residents) – Report of the Executive Director Economy and Public Protection (Pages 63 - 70)

- (c) Updated Statement of Community Involvement - Part 1 (Local Plan) – Report of the Executive Director Economy and Public Protection (Pages 71 - 84)
8. Climate Change Progress – Report of the Executive Director Economy and Public Protection (Pages 85 - 92)
 9. Collection of Council Tax, Business Rates and Rent 2024-25 – Report of the Executive Director Resources and Governance (Pages 93 - 102)
 10. Quarter 4 - Council Plan Performance Report – Report of the Chief Officers Executive (Pages 103 - 192)
 11. Disabled Facilities Grant 2025-26 – Executive Director of People (Pages 193 - 212)
 12. Housing Services Fire Safety Policy for Purpose-Built Blocks of Flats, Sheltered and Extra Care Accommodation 2025-2030 – Report of the Executive Director Resources and Governance (Pages 213 - 248)
 13. Project Position Statement and Capital Programme Monitoring Outturn 2024-25 – Report of the Executive Director of Environment , Highways and Community Services and Executive Director of Resources and Governance (Pages 249 - 272)
 14. Revenue Outturn 2024/25 – Report of the Executive of Resources and Governance (Pages 273 - 294)
 15. Xentrall Shared Services Annual Report – Report of the Executive Director of Resources and Governance (Pages 295 - 304)
 16. Procurement of Development Partner Update – Report of Executive Director of Economy and Public Protection (Pages 305 - 316)
 17. Membership Changes - To consider any Membership Changes to Other Bodies to which Cabinet appoints.
 18. 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.
 19. Questions.

EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

20. 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 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.

PART III NOT FOR PUBLICATION

21. 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.
22. Questions.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "A. Wennington". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish underneath the name.

Amy Wennington
Assistant Director Law and Governance

Monday, 30 June 2025

Town Hall
Darlington.

Membership

Councillors Curry, Garner, Harker, McCollom, McEwan, Porter, Roche and Wallis

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