



**DARLINGTON**  
Borough Council

**FORWARD PLAN  
FOR THE PERIOD: 6 NOVEMBER 2024 - 31 MARCH 2025**

**What is a Forward Plan?**

The Forward Plan is a list of the key decisions, which are due to be taken, by the Cabinet, a Member of the Cabinet or a designated Officer in accordance with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulation 2012. It also gives notice of the decisions that are likely to be taken in private. These decisions need to be published on the Forward Plan at least 28 clear days before the decision is to be taken. The Plan is updated on an ad hoc basis, but at least once a month. It can be accessed on the Council website [www.darlington.gov.uk](http://www.darlington.gov.uk).

**What is a Key Decision?**

A key decision in the Council's constitution is defined as to:

1. result in the Borough Council incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or
2. be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising one or more wards in the Borough.

**What are the reasons that a report can be held in private?**

Whilst the majority of the Executive decisions listed in this Forward Plan will be open to the public and media organisations to attend, there will inevitably be some decisions to be considered that contains, for example, confidential, commercially or personal information.

The Forward Plan is a formal notice under the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements)(Meetings and Access to Information)(England) Regulations 2012 that some of the decisions listed in this Forward Plan will be held in private because the report will contain exempt information under Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (set out below) and that the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing it.

1. Information relating to any individual
2. Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual
3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)
4. Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under the authority

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5. Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings
6. Information which reveals that the authority proposes:–
  - (a) to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or
  - (b) to make an order or direction under any enactment
7. Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime.

### **Who takes Key Decisions?**

Under the Council's constitution, key decisions are taken by Cabinet.

### **Are only Key Decisions listed in the Forward Plan?**

The Council only has a statutory obligation to publish key decisions and decisions that are to be heard at a private meeting.

### **What does the Forward Plan tell me?**

The Plan gives information about:

- What key decisions are coming up
- When those decisions are likely to be made
- Which decisions will be held in private
- Who will make those decisions
- The relevant Scrutiny Committee that the decision relates to
- What consultation will be undertaken
- Whether the decision will be a open or closed report (and the reason why) (public and press are not allowed to access closed reports and will not be able to stay in the Cabinet meeting when a closed report is being considered)
- Who you can contact for further information

### **How to make representations**

Members of the public have a right to make representations to the Council, including whether they think that any items we are proposing to consider in private should be dealt with in public. The Council will consider any representations before a decision is taken.

Anyone who wishes to make representations to the decision maker about a particular matter should do so in writing, at least a week before it is due to be considered, either by letter or email to Lynne Wood using the contact details set out below.

### **How and who do I contact?**

Each entry in the Plan indicates the names of all the relevant people to contact about that particular item.

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For general information about the decision-making process and for copies of any documents outlined in the Forward Plan please contact Lynne Wood, Elections Manager, Democratic Services, Resources Group, Town Hall, Feethams, Darlington, DL1 5QT. Tel: 01325 405803. Email: [lynne.wood@darlington.gov.uk](mailto:lynne.wood@darlington.gov.uk).

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**Title**

Darlington College Pre-16 Centre

**Brief Description**

To seek agreement to release £2.6 million of Department for Education High Needs Capital Funding for the development of a Pre-16 alternative provision centre at Darlington College.

**Decision Type**

Non-Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

3 Dec 2024

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Children and Young People Portfolio

**Contact Officer/Report Author**

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**Department**

People

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Consultation Process**

N/A

**Document to be submitted**

Report

**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
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**Title**

Darlington Indoor Market

**Brief Description**

To provide an update on current arrangements.

**Decision Type**

Non-Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Fully exempt 3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

3 Dec 2024

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Economy and Resources Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Economy Portfolio

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**Department**

Economy and Public Protection

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Consultation Process**

N/A

**Document to be submitted**

Report

**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
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**Title**

Environment Act 2021 - Waste Management Arrangements

**Brief Description**

To present options to Members to implement a weekly food waste collection.

**Decision Type**

Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet  
Council

**Date of Decision**

3 Dec 2024  
30 Jan 2025

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Communities and Local Services Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Local Services Portfolio

**Contact Officer/Report Author**

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**Department**

Environment, Highways and Community Services

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Consultation Process**

None

**Document to be submitted**

Report

**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
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**Title**

Housing Revenue Account - Medium Term Financial Plan 2025/27 to 2028/29

**Brief Description**

To propose a Housing Revenue Account (HRA) for the financial year 2025/26 for consultation.

**Decision Type**

Non-Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

3 Dec 2024

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Health and Housing Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Health and Housing Portfolio

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**Department**

Resources and Governance

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Consultation Process**

Meetings with Tenants Board.

**Document to be submitted**

Report and Housing Revenue Account



**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
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**Title**

Land at Coniscliffe Road, Darlington

**Brief Description**

To consider the strategic acquisition of land at Coniscliffe Road, Darlington

**Decision Type**

Non-Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Part exempt 3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

3 Dec 2024

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Economy and Resources Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Resources Portfolio

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**Department**

Chief Executive and Economic Growth

**Wards Affected**

Hummersknott

**Consultation Process**

N/A

**Document to be submitted**

Report

**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
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**Title**

Mid Year Prudential Indicators and Treasury Management Monitoring Report 2024/25

**Brief Description**

To consider the revised Treasury Management Strategy, Prudential Indicators and providing a half-yearly review of the Council's borrowing and investment activities

**Decision Type**

Non-Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

3 Dec 2024

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Economy and Resources Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Resources Portfolio

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**Department**

Resources and Governance

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Consultation Process**

N/A

**Document to be submitted**

Report

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**Title**

Proposed Middleton St George Conservation Area - Consultation

**Brief Description**

The Heritage Action Zone work on the route of the Stockton and Darlington Railway suggested the designation of a new Conservation Area for Middleton St George to include some sites which were important due to the route of the railway. The report requests approval to consult on the proposed Conservation Area.

**Decision Type**

Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

3 Dec 2024

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Economy and Resources Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Economy Portfolio

**Contact Officer/Report Author**

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**Department**

Chief Executive and Economic Growth

**Wards Affected**

Sadberge and Middleton St. George

**Consultation Process**

Letters to all affected and the planning of documents at the Town Hall and Library. Use of the online Consultation Portal.

**Document to be submitted**

Report

**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
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**Title**

Review of the Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP)

**Brief Description**

To consider and propose a Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) for consultation.

**Decision Type**

Non-Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

3 Dec 2024

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Economy and Resources Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Resources Portfolio

**Contact Officer/Report Author**

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**Department**

Resources and Governance

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Consultation Process**

Consultation with residents, staff, partners and Scrutiny Committees.

**Document to be submitted**

Report and Medium Term Financial Plan

**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
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**Title**

Skerningham Masterplan Consideration

**Brief Description**

To consider the Masterplan.

**Decision Type**

Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

3 Dec 2024

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Economy and Resources Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Economy Portfolio

**Contact Officer/Report Author**

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**Department**

Chief Executive and Economic Growth

**Wards Affected**

Brinkburn and Faverdale; Harrowgate Hill; Haughton and Springfield; Sadberge and Middleton St. George; Whinfield

**Consultation Process**

Consultation with public

**Document to be submitted**

Report and Skerningham Masterplan

**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
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**Title**

Annual Statement of Accounts 2022/23

**Brief Description**

To consider the Council's Annual Statement of Accounts 2022/23.

**Decision Type**

Non-Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

7 Jan 2025

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Economy and Resources Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Resources Portfolio

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**Department**

Resources and Governance

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Consultation Process**

N/A

**Document to be submitted**

Report and Annual Statement of Accounts

**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
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**Title**

Climate Change Progress

**Brief Description**

Annual report July (with figures) / six month update January (no figures) - for the climate change action plan.

**Decision Type**

Non-Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

7 Jan 2025

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Economy and Resources Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Economy Portfolio

**Contact Officer/Report Author**

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**Department**

Chief Executive and Economic Growth

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Consultation Process**

N/A

**Document to be submitted**

Report and Action Plan.

**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
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**Title**

Council Plan Performance Reporting Update

**Brief Description**

Report detailing progress and performance against the actions and priorities outlined in the Council Plan.

**Decision Type**

Non-Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

7 Jan 2025

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Economy and Resources Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Leader of the Council

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**Department**

Resources and Governance

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Consultation Process**

N/A

**Document to be submitted**

Report



**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
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**Title**

Maintained Schools Capital Programme - Summer 2025

**Brief Description**

To release the necessary funds to allow the 2025 summer programme for maintained schools to proceed

**Decision Type**

Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

7 Jan 2025

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Children and Young People Portfolio

**Contact Officer/Report Author**

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**Department**

People

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Consultation Process**

Consultation undertaken with maintained schools.

**Document to be submitted**

Report

**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
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**Title**

Strategic Asset Plan

**Brief Description**

Public document setting out the Asset Management Strategy, Policy and Action Plan 2024-2029.

**Decision Type**

Non-Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

7 Jan 2025

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Economy and Resources Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Resources Portfolio

**Contact Officer/Report Author**

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**Department**

Environment, Highways and Community Services

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Consultation Process**

N/A

**Document to be submitted**

Report and Asset Plan

**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
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**Title**

Capital Strategy

**Brief Description**

To consider the Council's proposed Capital Strategy.

**Decision Type**

Non-Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

4 Feb 2025

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Economy and Resources Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Resources Portfolio

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**Department**

Resources and Governance

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Consultation Process**

N/A

**Document to be submitted**

Report and Capital Strategy

**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
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**Title**

Customer Services Strategy 2025/30

**Brief Description**

To approve the Customer Services Strategy 2025-30.

**Decision Type**

Non-Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

4 Feb 2025

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Economy and Resources Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Resources Portfolio

**Contact Officer/Report Author**

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**Department**

Resources and Governance

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Consultation Process**

On-line consultation with all residents.

**Document to be submitted**

Report and Customer Services Strategy

**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
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**Title**

Digital Darlington Strategy 2025-30

**Brief Description**

To approve the Digital Darlington Strategy 2025/30.

**Decision Type**

Non-Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

4 Feb 2025

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Economy and Resources Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Resources Portfolio

**Contact Officer/Report Author**

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**Department**

Resources and Governance

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Consultation Process**

N/A

**Document to be submitted**

Report and Strategy

**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
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**Title**

Housing Revenue Account - Medium Term Financial Plan 2025/27 to 2028/29

**Brief Description**

To propose a Housing Revenue Account (HRA) for the financial year 2025/26 to Council.

**Decision Type**

Non-Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

4 Feb 2025

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Health and Housing Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Health and Housing Portfolio

**Contact Officer/Report Author**

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**Department**

Resources and Governance

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Consultation Process**

Meetings with Tenants Board and consultation with Scrutiny Committee

**Document to be submitted**

Report and Housing Revenue Account

**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
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**Title**

Land at Faverdale - Burtree Garden Village - Proposed Infrastructure Development Agreement (IDA)

**Brief Description**

To seek approval to enter into an Infrastructure Development Agreement (IDA) with Homes England.

**Decision Type**

Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Part exempt 3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

4 Feb 2025

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Economy and Resources Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Economy Portfolio

**Contact Officer/Report Author**

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**Department**

Chief Executive and Economic Growth

**Wards Affected**

Brinkburn and Faverdale

**Consultation Process**

None

**Document to be submitted**

Report and draft agreement

**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
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**Title**

Preventing Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy 2025/30

**Brief Description**

To consider and approve the Preventing Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy 2025/30.

**Decision Type**

Non-Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

4 Feb 2025

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Health and Housing Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Health and Housing Portfolio

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**Department**

Resources and Governance

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Consultation Process**

Consultation with Scrutiny Committee.

**Document to be submitted**

Report and Strategy



**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
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**Title**

Project Position Statement and Capital Programme Monitoring - Quarter 3

**Brief Description**

To provide a summary of the latest Capital resource and commitment position, to inform monitoring of the affordability and funding of the Council's capital programme.

**Decision Type**

Non-Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

4 Feb 2025

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Economy and Resources Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Resources Portfolio

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**Department**

Resources and Governance

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Consultation Process**

None

**Document to be submitted**

Report

**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
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**Title**

Prudential Indicators and Treasury Management Strategy 2025/26

**Brief Description**

To consider the Treasury Management Strategy, Prudential Indicators and providing a yearly review of the Council's borrowing and investment activities.

**Decision Type**

Non-Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

4 Feb 2025

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Economy and Resources Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Resources Portfolio

**Contact Officer/Report Author**

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**Department**

Resources and Governance

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Consultation Process**

N/A

**Document to be submitted**

Report

**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
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**Title**

Revenue Budget Monitoring - Quarter 3

**Brief Description**

To provide an up to date forecast of the revenue budget outturn as part of the Council's continuous financial management process.

**Decision Type**

Non-Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

4 Feb 2025

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Economy and Resources Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Resources Portfolio

**Contact Officer/Report Author**

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**Department**

Resources and Governance

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Consultation Process**

None

**Document to be submitted**

Report

**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
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**Title**

Review of the Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP)

**Brief Description**

To propose a Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) to Council for approval.

**Decision Type**

Non-Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

4 Feb 2025

Council

27 Mar 2025

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Economy and Resources Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Resources Portfolio

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**Department**

Resources and Governance

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Consultation Process**

Consultation with residents, staff, partners and Scrutiny Committees.

**Document to be submitted**

Report and Medium Term Financial Plan

**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
FORWARD PLAN**

**Title**

Schools Admissions 2025/26

**Brief Description**

To consider the Local Authority's Admission Arrangements for the 2025/26 academic year for maintained schools.

**Decision Type**

Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

4 Feb 2025

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Children and Young People Portfolio

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People

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Consultation Process**

Consultation with Parents, Schools, Religious Authorities and the Local Community - consultation at least once every 7 years.

**Document to be submitted**

Report and School Admission Arrangements

**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
FORWARD PLAN**

**Title**

Woodland Road Waiting Restrictions

**Brief Description**

To consider setting aside objections to proposed waiting restrictions on Woodland Road.

**Decision Type**

Non-Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

4 Feb 2025

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Communities and Local Services Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

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Environment, Highways and Community Services

**Wards Affected**

College; Pierremont

**Consultation Process**

N/A

**Document to be submitted**

Report

**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
FORWARD PLAN**

**Title**

Darlington Transport Plan

**Brief Description**

Update on the 2023/24 delivery of the Transport Programme inc annual monitoring data, Transport Programme for 2024/25 and progress on the Local Implementation Plan.

**Decision Type**

Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

4 Mar 2025

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Communities and Local Services Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

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Environment, Highways and Community Services

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Consultation Process**

N/A

**Document to be submitted**

Report

**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
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**Title**

Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act (RIPA)

**Brief Description**

To inform and update Members about issues relevant to the use of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 and developments and recent developments.

**Decision Type**

Non-Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

4 Mar 2025

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Economy and Resources Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Resources Portfolio

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**Department**

Resources and Governance

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Consultation Process**

None

**Document to be submitted**

Report



**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
FORWARD PLAN**

**Items deferred since previous Forward Plan**

**Title**

Adult Social Care Transport Policy 2024

**Brief Description**

To consider an overview of the updated Adult Social Care Transport Policy.

**Decision Type**

Non-Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Adults Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Adults Portfolio

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**Department**

People

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Consultation Process**

Consultation with Adults Scrutiny Committee

**Document to be submitted**

Report and updated Adult Social Care Transport Policy.

**DARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL  
FORWARD PLAN**

**Title**

Review of the Local Development Scheme (LDS) 2024/27

**Brief Description**

To review the Local Development Scheme.

**Decision Type**

Key

**Decision Status**

For Determination

**Urgent Decision**

No

**Anticipated Restriction**

Open

**Decision Maker**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee**

Economy and Resources Scrutiny Committee

**Relevant Cabinet Member(s)**

Economy Portfolio

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**Department**

Chief Executive and Economic Growth

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Consultation Process**

Public and key stakeholders.

**Document to be submitted**

Report

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FORWARD PLAN**