



## **COUNCIL MEETING**

**23 November 2017**

### **GATESHEAD METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL**

#### **NOTICE OF MOTION**

Councillor J Wallace will move the following motion:

This Council notes with disappointment the announcement by Highways England that work on upgrading the A1 between the Coalhouse roundabout and Birtley is to be delayed a year, with work scheduled to start in 2020 rather than 2019.

This Council believes that the improvements to this strategic road are vital to the economic prosperity of Gateshead and the surrounding area and a delay to implementation will be damaging to air quality.

This Council believes that a strong, representative devolution settlement, which includes Gateshead, would give our region a stronger voice to argue for greater infrastructure investment under a timetable that suits the local economy.

In the absence of such a beneficial settlement, this Council calls on Highways England to begin work on improving the A1 in 2019.

Proposed by: Councillor J Wallace

Seconded by: Councillor R Beadle

Supported by: Councillor J McClurey  
Councillor D Duggan