

# **Schedule of Decisions - 15 December 2020**

## **Cabinet**



## Introduction

This schedule sets out the decisions to be made by the Cabinet on 15 December 2020.

The Cabinet is comprised of;

Councillor Martin Gannon (Leader)

Councillor Catherine Donovan (Deputy Leader)

Councillors John Adams; Malcolm Brain; Angela Douglas; Bernadette Oliphant; Linda Green; Gary Haley; John McElroy; and Michael McNestry.

The decisions listed in the schedule include Key and Non Key decisions.

A Key decision is one which is likely to; result in the Council incurring expenditure, or making savings in excess of £250,000 OR to have significant impact on two or more wards.

A Non Key decision is either a decision which does not meet the criteria of a Key decision OR is a recommendation to Council, whereby Cabinet will be recommending to Council the adoption or amendment of a policy.

The schedule also sets out which decisions will be made in private.

Anyone wishing to comment or make representations on any item in this schedule should contact the Strategic Director, Corporate Services and Governance at Gateshead Council, Civic Centre, Regent Street, Gateshead NE8 1HH (telephone 0191 433 2100).

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**SCHEDULE OF DECISIONS  
CABINET MEETING 15 DECEMBER 2020**

<p><b>1.</b></p>	<p><b>Issue</b> Review of the Office of the Chief Executive</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> To present to Cabinet the findings of the review of the Office of the Chief Executive and outline recommended changes to this, for consultation.</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Sheena Ramsey, Chief Executive Tel: 0191 433 2052 sheenaramsey@gateshead.gov.uk</p>
<p><b>Meeting Type</b></p>	<p>Fully exempt This matter is considered to be commercially confidential and contains exempt information, as detailed below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The report will contain “exempt” information which falls within paragraph 3 of part 1 of schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (“Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding the information)”); and</li> <li>2. "In relation to the “exempt” information, it has been determined that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information because disclosure would adversely impact the authority’s ability to manage its commercial financial and business affairs."</li> </ol>	

<p><b>2.</b> KEY</p>	<p><b>Issue</b> Gateshead Quays/Baltic Quarter Link Road</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> To update Cabinet on anticipated funding offer of £5 million from the Getting Building Fund, via the NELEP, to the Council to assist in the delivery of a new link road through Baltic Quarter, and to seek approval for delegated authority to enter into a funding agreement with the NELEP for the aforementioned allocation.</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Gareth Powell, Development &amp; Infrastructure Lead Tel: 0191 433 3316 GarethPowell@Gateshead.Gov.UK</p>
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<p><b>3.</b> KEY</p>	<p><b>Issue</b> Transfer of Land; and purchase of affordable homes at Whitley Court in Wrekenton</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> To seek Cabinet approval to transfer land to Gateshead Regeneration Partnership; and subsequently to purchase 44 affordable homes.</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Andrew Sloan, Project Manager, Capital Projects Unit Tel: 0191 433 3425 AndrewSloan@gateshead.gov.uk</p>
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<p><b>4.</b> KEY</p>	<p><b>Issue</b> Zero Carbon Heat Strategy</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> To present and agree the strategy for reducing Council carbon emissions from buildings and Council homes towards net zero by 2030.</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Jim Gillon, Energy Services Team Leader Tel: 0191 433 3923 jimgillon@gateshead.gov.uk</p>
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<p><b>5.</b> KEY</p>	<p><b>Issue</b> Second speculative office development at Baltic Quarter</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> Seeking Cabinet approval for final Business Case and award of contract to Willmott Dixon Construction for delivery of 2nd speculative office building at Baltic Quarter.</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Gareth Powell, Development &amp; Infrastructure Lead Tel: 0191 433 3316 GarethPowell@Gateshead.Gov.UK</p>
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<p><b>6.</b> KEY</p>	<p><b>Issue</b> Site 6b Saltmeadows Road</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> To seek Cabinet approval of the re-gearing of a ground lease to facilitate redevelopment of a redundant building.</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Steven Hayles, Property Manager Tel: 0191 433 3466 stevenjhayles@gateshead.gov.uk</p>
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<p><b>7.</b></p>	<p><b>Issue</b> Lease Renewal 23 Interchange Centre, West Street</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> This report seeks Cabinet approval for the lease renewal of unit 23 Interchange Centre to Wilko Retail Ltd.</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Karl Thompson, Property Management Surveyor Tel: 0191 433 3455 karlthompson@gateshead.gov.uk</p>
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<p><b>8.</b> KEY</p>	<p><b>Issue</b> Clasper Housing Development</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> To seek Cabinet approval for a proposed housing development at Clasper</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Amanda Reed, Housing Growth Coordinator Tel: 0191 4332956 AmandaReed@Gateshead.Gov.Uk</p>
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<p><b>9.</b> KEY</p>	<p><b>Issue</b> High Street South Delivery Plan - Update</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> To seek approval recommence regeneration activity on High Street South Project.</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Caroline Hargreaves, Capital Projects Unit - Project Manager Tel: 0191 433 2293 carolinehargreaves@gateshead.gov.uk</p>
<p><b>Meeting Type</b></p>	<p>Open</p>	

<p><b>10.</b></p>	<p><b>Issue</b> Infrastructure Funding Statement and priority for CIL spending</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> For information purposes and for Cabinet to endorse the priority for CIL spending.</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Iain Armstrong, Senior Planner Tel: 0191 4333445 IainArmstrong@Gateshead.Gov.UK</p>
<p><b>Meeting Type</b></p>	<p>Open</p>	

<p><b>11.</b></p>	<p><b>Issue</b> Budget – Approach to Recovery 2021/22</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> Cabinet to agree the approach to budget 2021 incorporating pandemic response to ensure a legally balanced budget can be achieved.</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Darren Collins, Strategic Director, Corporate Finance Tel: 0191 433 3582 darrencollins@gateshead.gov.uk</p>
<p><b>Meeting Type</b></p>	<p>Open</p>	

<p><b>12.</b> KEY</p>	<p><b>Issue</b> GRP and Freight Depot</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> To update Cabinet on progress of the Freight Depot regeneration project.</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Andrew Sloan, Project Manager, Capital Projects Unit Tel: 0191 433 3425 Andrew Sloan@gateshead.gov.uk</p>
<p><b>Meeting Type</b></p>	<p>Open</p>	

<p><b>13.</b></p>	<p><b>Issue</b> Green Homes Grant Funding Bid for Chopwell</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> To seek Cabinet approval to submit funding applications, and delegated approval to agree and accept terms and conditions if successful, to the Green Homes Grant for solid wall insulation to homes in Chopwell.</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Jim Gillon, Energy Services Team Leader Tel: 0191 433 3923 jimgillon@gateshead.gov.uk</p>
<p><b>Meeting Type</b></p>	<p>Open</p>	

<p><b>14.</b> KEY</p>	<p><b>Issue</b> Housing Governance and Tenant Involvement Arrangements</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> To seek Cabinet approval for proposed new arrangements for the governance of its housing functions and for the engagement and involvement of council tenants and leaseholders.</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Kevin Scarlett, Service Director Tel: 0191 433 5306 kevinscarlett@gateshead.gov.uk</p>
<p><b>Meeting Type</b></p>	<p>Open</p>	

<b>15.</b>	<p><b>Issue</b> Climate Emergency</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> To note the findings of an independent environmental audit of the council's activities and seek approval for an environmental policy.</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Anneliese Hutchinson, Service Director - Development and Public Protection Tel: 0191 433 3881 anneliesehutchinson@gateshead.gov.uk</p>
<b>Meeting Type</b>	Open	

<b>16.</b>	<p><b>Issue</b> Highway Asset Mangement Plan Update</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> Approve updates to the Council's Highway Asset Management Plan.</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Andrew Haysey, Transport Planning Manager Tel: 0191 433 3124 andrewhaysey@gateshead.gov.uk</p>
<b>Meeting Type</b>	Open	

<b>17.</b>  KEY	<p><b>Issue</b> Tyneside Air Quality Project - Submission of Full Business Case</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> To seek approval for the contents of the final Full Business Case submission to Government for the Tyneside Airt Quality Project.</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Andrew Haysey, Transport Planning Manager Tel: 0191 433 3124 andrewhaysey@gateshead.gov.uk</p>
<b>Meeting Type</b>	Open	

<p><b>18.</b></p>	<p><b>Issue</b> Corporate Complaints and Compliments Procedure – Annual Report 2019/20</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> Cabinet is asked to consider and endorse an analysis of the complaints and compliments recorded by the Council during the year 2019/20.</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Mike Barker, Strategic Director Corporate Services and Governance Tel: 0191 433 2102 mikebarker@gateshead.gov.uk</p>
<p><b>Meeting Type</b></p>	<p>Open</p>	