

# **Schedule of Decisions - 19 March 2024**

## **Cabinet**



## Introduction

This schedule sets out the decisions to be made by the Cabinet on 19 March 2024.

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 £500,000 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 19 MARCH 2024**

<p><b>1.</b>  KEY</p>	<p><b>Issue</b> Gateshead Quays – NEMCA Capital Regeneration Fund and amendments to legal agreements</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> To request Cabinet Approval to accept NEMCA grants and amendments to Legal Agreements</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Andrew Sloan, Service Lead – Energy, Major Projects and Development Tel: 0191 433 3425 AndrewSloan@gateshead.gov.uk</p>
<p><b>Meeting Type</b></p>	<p>Fully exempt This matter will be dealt with during the private part of the meeting.</p> <p>This matter is considered to be commercially confidential and contains exempt information, as detailed below:</p> <p>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</p> <p>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."</p>	
<p><b>2.</b></p>	<p><b>Issue</b> Health &amp; Safety Strategy</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> For Cabinet to approve the Health &amp; Safety Strategy 2023</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Stephen Foggin, Occupational Health and Safety Manager Tel: 0191 433 2272 StephenFoggin@Gateshead.Gov.UK</p>
<p><b>Meeting Type</b></p>	<p>Open</p>	

3.	<p><b>Issue</b> Issue – UKSPF Community Chest Fund Panel Recommendations</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> Cabinet to approve the award of UKSPF Community Chest Fund payment to the Community Foundation so they can distribute funding to successful Community Groups</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Andrew Yates, Locality Coordinator Tel: 07717451836 AndrewYates@gateshead.gov.uk</p>
<b>Meeting Type</b>	Open	
4.	<p><b>Issue</b> Appointment/Re-appointment of a Local Authority governor.</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> Appoint/reappoint a Local Authority governor.</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Helen Fergusson, Strategic Director - Childrens Social Care and Lifelong Learning Tel: 0191 433 2700 helenfergusson@gateshead.gov.uk</p>
<b>Meeting Type</b>	Open	
5.  KEY	<p><b>Issue</b> Caregivers Services Recommission</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> To seek approval to proceed with the tender of Caregivers Services in Gateshead</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Dale Owens, Strategic Director - Integrated Adults and Social Care Services Tel: 0191 433 3550 DaleOwens@Gateshead.Gov.UK</p>
<b>Meeting Type</b>	Open	
6.	<p><b>Issue</b> Gateshead Council Response to South Tyneside Draft Local Plan: Regulation 19 Consultation and Fellgate Sustainable Growth Area Supplementary</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Rebecca Ravelin, Planning Officer Tel: 0191 433 3423 rebeccaravelin@gateshead.gov.uk</p>

	Planning Document Scoping Report Consultation  <b>Purpose</b> To note the consultation response	
<b>Meeting Type</b>	Open	

7.	<b>Issue</b> Treasury Policy Statement and Treasury Strategy 2024/25 to 2028/29  <b>Purpose</b> To request Cabinet to recommend that Council approve the Treasury Policy Statement and Treasury Strategy for 2024/25 to 2028/29	<b>Contact:</b> John Chirnside, Accountant Tel: 0191 433 2713 JohnChirnside@Gateshead.Gov.Uk
<b>Meeting Type</b>	Open	

8.	<b>Issue</b> Miscellaneous Income – Transfer of Uncollectable Amounts  <b>Purpose</b> To seek approval to transfer out of the Council's Accounts outstanding balances in excess of £500 from miscellaneous income accounts and Housing Benefits overpayments where all possible recovery action has been taken and the balances are now considered to be uncollectable	<b>Contact:</b> John Shiel, Service Director Tel: 0191 433 3630 johnsheil@gateshead.gov.uk
<b>Meeting Type</b>	Open	

9.	<b>Issue</b>	<b>Contact:</b>
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KEY	<p>The development and submission of a full business case for the East Gateshead Cycleway West Package (Phase 1)</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> To enable the submission of the full business case in order to secure funding from the Transforming Cities Fund and Active Travel Fund, subject to approval from the North East Joint Transport Committee</p>	<p>Lauren Haikney, Transport Planner Tel: 0191 433 4423 LaurenHaikney@Gateshead.Gov.UK</p>
<b>Meeting Type</b>	Open	

10.	<p><b>Issue</b> Rent Arrears for Former Tenants and Sundry Account Debts – Transfer of Uncollectable Amounts</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> To seek approval for a recommendation to transfer out of the Council's accounts individual debts in excess of £500 relating to former tenant rent arrears and sundry account debts orders where all possible recovery action has been taken and the balances are now considered uncollectable</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Darren Collins, Strategic Director - Resources and Digital Tel: 0191 433 3582 darrencollins@gateshead.gov.uk</p>
<b>Meeting Type</b>	Open	

11.	<p><b>Issue</b> Senior Management Pay Framework</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Caroline Judson, Human Resources and Workforce Development Manager Tel: 0191 433 2226 carolinejudson@gateshead.gov.uk</p>
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<b>12.</b>	<b>Issue</b> Workforce EDI Strategy & Policy	<b>Contact:</b> Caroline Judson, Human Resources and Workforce Development Manager Tel: 0191 433 2226 carolinejudson@gateshead.gov.uk
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<b>13.</b>	<b>Issue</b> Pay Policy Statement 2024	<b>Contact:</b> Caroline Judson, Human Resources and Workforce Development Manager Tel: 0191 433 2226 carolinejudson@gateshead.gov.uk
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<b>14.</b>	<b>Issue</b> Senior Management Pay Framework	<b>Contact:</b> Caroline Judson, Human Resources and Workforce Development Manager Tel: 0191 433 2226 carolinejudson@gateshead.gov.uk
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<b>15.</b>	<b>Issue</b> Workforce EDI Strategy & Policy	<b>Contact:</b> Caroline Judson, Human Resources and Workforce Development Manager Tel: 0191 433 2226 carolinejudson@gateshead.gov.uk
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<b>16.</b>	<b>Issue</b> Grant of a lease – Former Thomas Hepburn School site, Swards Road, Felling	<b>Contact:</b> Zoe Sharratt, Team Leader, Corporate Asset Strategy Team Tel: 0191 433 3503 ZoeSharratt@Gateshead.Gov.Uk
	<b>Purpose</b>	

	To seek approval to the grant of a 125 year lease of the Former Thomas Hepburn School site, Swards Road, Felling	
<b>Meeting Type</b>	Open	

<b>17.</b> KEY	<p><b>Issue</b> Corporate Equality Diversity and Inclusion Policy</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> For Cabinet to endorse and recommend the Council to approve a new Corporate Equality Diversity and Inclusion Policy</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Rachel Mason, Team Leader – Policy and Equalities Tel: 0191 433 2069 rachelmason@gateshead.gov.uk</p>
<b>Meeting Type</b>	Open	

<b>18.</b>	<p><b>Issue</b> Information Security Framework and Policy</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> Endorsement of the new Information Security Framework, Policy and associated policy and the approach to implementation of the new policies</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Joanne Morgan, Service Director - Resources and Digital JoanneMorgan@Gateshead.Gov.UK</p>
<b>Meeting Type</b>	Open	

<b>19.</b>	<p><b>Issue</b> Adult Caregiver Strategy</p> <p><b>Purpose</b> To seek approval of the Gateshead Adult Caregiver Strategy 2024-9</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Dale Owens, Strategic Director - Integrated Adults and Social Care Services Tel: 0191 433 3550 DaleOwens@Gateshead.Gov.UK</p>
<b>Meeting Type</b>	Open	