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Tel direct: (01670) 622610 **Date:** 5 October 2020

Dear Sir or Madam,

Your attendance is requested at a virtual meeting of the CABINET to be held on TUESDAY 13

OCTOBER 2020 at **10.00** AM.

Please note this will be a "virtual meeting" that will be streamed live on our Youtube channel at <u>youtube.com/NorthumberlandTV</u>

Yours faithfully,

Kelly Angus Acting Interim Chief Executive

To Cabinet members as follows:-

Leader, Deputy Leader, V. Jones, N. Oliver, G. Renner-Thompson, J.R. Riddle, J.G. Watson, R. Wearmouth W. Pattison, Equality and Diversity Champion

Agenda letter only for information to all other members of the Council

Any member of the press or public may view the proceedings of this virtual meeting live on our YouTube channel at https://www.youtube.com/NorthumberlandTV. Members of the press and public may tweet, blog etc during the live broadcast as they would be able to during a regular Committee meeting. However, the only participants in the





virtual meeting will be the Councillors concerned and the officers advising the Committee.

AGENDA

PARTI

It is expected that the matters included in this part of the agenda will be dealt with in public.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of Cabinet held on 8 September 2020, as circulated, to be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

3. DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Unless already entered in the Council's Register of Members' interests, members are required to disclose any personal interest (which includes any disclosable pecuniary interest) they may have in any of the items included on the agenda for the meeting in accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the Council on 4 July 2012, and are reminded that if they have any personal interests of a prejudicial nature (as defined under paragraph 17 of the Code Conduct) they must not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter.

NB Any member needing clarification must contact Liam Henry, Legal Services Manager, on 01670 623324. Please refer to the guidance on disclosures at the rear of this agenda letter.

4. REPORT OF THE INTERIM ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE

COVID-19: Response and Recovery Update

This paper follows a report to Cabinet on 23rd June 2020 and provides members with the latest update on the impact of the Coronavirus (Covid-19) pandemic on the work of the Council. It provides an overview of the Council's ongoing response and recovery initiatives since June (Appendix A).

5. REPORTS OF THE INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF PLACE

(1) Northumberland Climate Change

To provide an update on the actions taken by the County Council since the full Council

approved the Climate Change Action Plan 2020-21 in January 2020 and to seek Cabinet approval for the proposed next steps, and the associated additional revenue expenditure. The report sets out 7 priority action areas for the council to pursue its climate change ambition. These are a development of the themes set out in the Action Plan 2020-21. These original themes 'Energy, Transport, Carbon Sequestration and Land Management, Policy and Communications and Engagement then form the body of the report with updates on progress and specific project details (Appendix B).

The report of the Corporate Services and Economic Growth OSC on this matter will be circulated when the Committee has met.

(2) Northumberland Waste Management Strategy – Proposed Trial of Kerbside Glass Collection

To outline the modelling and options appraisal work undertaken in 18/19 and 19/20 in order to review and update the Council's Municipal Waste Management Strategy 2003 - 2020. The latest modelling work has sought to more accurately quantify the actual costs of undertaking new waste collection and disposal arrangements that would meet the Government's longer term policy direction, as set out in 'Our waste, our resources, a strategy for England', which would require local authorities to collect a core set of dry recyclables and a weekly collection of food waste. In particular, the implications of introducing a new four weekly kerbside glass collection service have been evaluated, to see if this service could be introduced cost effectively in advance of food waste collections to enhance the County's recycling performance (Appendix C).

The report of the Communities and Place OSC on this matter will be circulated when the Committee has met.

6. JOINT REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF COMMERCIAL, REGENERATION AND ECONOMY AND THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOF OF FINANCE

Borderlands Inclusive Growth Deal Investment Programme

This report seeks approval for the inclusion of the first phase of the Borderlands Inclusive Growth Deal Investment Fund, for the Alnwick Garden Lillidorei; Ad Gefrin Distillery; and Energy Masterplan projects, in accordance with the Council's role as accountable body for the Growth Deal Investment Fund awarded by the UK Government in England, within the Council's capital and revenue budgets (Appendix D).

The report of the Corporate Services and Economic Growth OSC on this matter will be circulated when the Committee has met.

7. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

Approval of the Council Tax Support Scheme for 2021-22

The report seeks approval for the Council Tax Support Scheme for 2021-22 to continue to provide support at a maximum level of 92% of Council Tax Liability (Appendix E).

The report of the Corporate Services and Economic Growth OSC on this matter will be circulated when the Committee has met.

8. REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR - STRATEGIC COMMISSIONING AND FINANCE

Summary of New Capital Proposals Considered by Officer Capital Strategy Group

The report summarises proposed amendments to the Capital Programme considered by the officer Capital Strategy Group on 4 September 2020 (Appendix F).

9. URGENT BUSINESS (IF ANY)

To consider such other business as, in the opinion of the Chair, should, by reason of special circumstances, be considered as a matter of urgency.

PART II

It is expected that matters included in this part of the Agenda will be dealt with in private. Reports referred to are enclosed for members and officers only, coloured pink and marked "Not for Publication".

10. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Cabinet is invited to consider passing the following resolution:

- (a) That under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item on the Agenda as it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of Schedule 12A of the 1972 Act, and
- (b) That the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosure for the following reasons:-

Agenda Item Paragraph of Part I of Schedule 12A

3 - Information relating to (the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information). The public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the interest in disclosure because disclosure would prejudice Advance Northumberland's ability to negotiate with partners and give its competitors a commercial advantage.

11. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF COMMERCIAL, REGENERATION AND ECONOMY

Enterprise Zone – Northumberland Energy Park, East Sleekburn (NEP1)

To inform members of the increase in costs for the delivery of the NEP1 Enterprise Zone Site, and to obtain approval to the revised funding package to enable completion of the works (**Appendix G**).

The report of the Corporate Services and Economic Growth OSC on this matter will be circulated when the Committee has met.

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IF YOU HAVE AN INTEREST AT THIS MEETING, PLEASE:

- Declare it and give details of its nature before the matter is discussed or as soon as it becomes apparent to you.
- Complete this sheet and pass it to the Democratic Services Officer.

Name (please print):
Meeting:
Date:
Item to which your interest relates:
Nature of Registerable Personal Interest i.e. either disclosable pecuniary interest (as defined by Annex 2 to Code of Conduct or other interest (as defined by Annex 3 to Code of Conduct) (please give details):
Nature of Non-registerable Personal Interest (please give details):
Are you intending to withdraw from the meeting?

- **1. Registerable Personal Interests** You may have a Registerable Personal Interest if the issue being discussed in the meeting:
 - a) relates to any Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (as defined by Annex 1 to the Code of Conduct); or
 - b) any other interest (as defined by Annex 2 to the Code of Conduct)

The following interests are Disclosable Pecuniary Interests if they are an interest of either you or your spouse or civil partner:

(1) Employment, Office, Companies, Profession or vocation; (2) Sponsorship; (3) Contracts with the Council; (4) Land in the County; (5) Licences in the County; (6) Corporate Tenancies with the Council; or (7) Securities - interests in Companies trading with the Council.

The following are other Registerable Personal Interests:

- (1) any body of which you are a member (or in a position of general control or management) to which you are appointed or nominated by the Council; (2) any body which (i) exercises functions of a public nature or (ii) has charitable purposes or (iii) one of whose principal purpose includes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union) of which you are a member (or in a position of general control or management); or (3) any person from whom you have received within the previous three years a gift or hospitality with an estimated value of more than £50 which is attributable to your position as an elected or co-opted member of the Council.
- **2. Non-Registerable Personal Interests -** You may have a non-registerable personal interest when you attend a meeting of the Council or Cabinet, or one of their committees or sub-committees, and you are, or ought reasonably to be aware that a decision in relation to an item of business which is to be transacted might reasonably be regarded as affecting your well being or financial position, or the well being or financial position of a person described below to a greater extent than most inhabitants of the area affected by the decision.

The persons referred to above are: (a) a member of your family; (b) any person with whom you have a close association; or (c) in relation to persons described in (a) and (b), their employer, any firm in which they are a partner, or company of which they are a director or shareholder.

3. Non-Participation in Council Business

When you attend a meeting of the Council or Cabinet, or one of their committees or sub-committees, and you are aware that the criteria set out below are satisfied in relation to any matter to be considered, or being considered at that meeting, you must: (a) Declare that fact to the meeting; (b) Not participate (or further participate) in any discussion of the matter at the meeting; (c) Not participate in any vote (or further vote) taken on the matter at the meeting; and (d) Leave the room whilst the matter is being discussed.

The criteria for the purposes of the above paragraph are that: (a) You have a registerable or non-registerable personal interest in the matter which is such that a member of the public knowing the relevant facts would reasonably think it so significant that it is likely to prejudice your judgement of the public interest; **and either** (b) the matter will affect the financial position of yourself or one of the persons or bodies referred to above or in any of your register entries; **or** (c) the matter concerns a request for any permission, licence, consent or registration sought by yourself or any of the persons referred to above or in any of your register entries.

This guidance is not a complete statement of the rules on declaration of interests which are contained in the Members' Code of Conduct. If in any doubt, please consult the Monitoring Officer or relevant Democratic Services Officer before the meeting.