

Forward Plan

FORTHCOMING CABINET DECISIONS – OCTOBER 2019 TO JANUARY 2020

| DECISION | PROPOSED SCRUTINY DATE | CABINET DATE |
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| Approval of the Council Tax Support Scheme for 2020/21 Since 1 April 2013 the Council is required to have its own council tax support scheme to provide assistance to council tax payers on low incomes. The scheme needs to be approved annually and assistance is by way or a reduction in the amount of council tax that is due. The Council Tax support Scheme needs County Council approval. (N. Oliver/G. Barnes - 01670 624351) | CSEG 7 October 2019 | 8 October 2019 |
| Oral Health Strategy The report provides an update on progress with the Northumberland Oral Health Strategy. It also provides detail on the evidence to support community water fluoridation as a means of improving dental health and the process which is required to be followed if a water fluoridation scheme is to be varied. The report recommends that the Cabinet take the first step in the process to extend the current community water fluoridation scheme by making a formal variation proposal to the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care; and to consult the Secretary of State and Northumbria Water as to whether the proposed variation would be “operable and efficient”. Based on the response to these consultations, the report also makes recommendations on undertaking the | N/A | 8 October 2019 |

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| <p>required statutory consultation should the SoS deem the proposal feasible. (V. Jones/L. Morgan - 01670 620111)</p> | | |
| <p>Amendments to the Council Tax Discount policy to implement empty homes premiums for council tax from April 2020 The report will seek approval to amend the Council Tax Discount Policy and increase the level of council tax premiums applied to empty properties. (N. Oliver/G. Barnes - 01670 624351)</p> | CSEG 7 October 2019 | 8 October 2019 |
| <p>Proposed merger of Northumberland County Council Pension Fund with Tyne and Wear Pension Fund To seek Cabinet support for NCC's pursuit of merger of Northumberland County Council Pension Fund with Tyne and Wear Pension Fund to reduce LGPS administration costs charged via employer contributions to NCCPF's participating employers, including NCC (Confidential report) (N. Oliver/ C. Gorman - 01670 623579)</p> | CSEG 7 October 2019 | 8 October 2019 |
| <p>Financial Performance as at 30 September 2019 The report will provide Cabinet with the revenue financial position as at 30 September 2019 for the Council against the Budget for 2019-20. (N. Oliver/A. Elsdon - 01670 622168)</p> | | 12 November 2019 |
| <p>Proposal to extend the age range of West Woodburn First School to become a primary school This report will set out the outcomes of the formal statutory proposal (approved by Cabinet to be published on 5 September 2019), setting out the Council's intention to</p> | FACS 7 November 2019 | 12 November 2019 |

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| <p>extend the age range of West Woodburn First School to become a primary school with effect from 1 September 2020. (W. Daley/S. Aviston - 01670 622281)</p> | | |
| <p>Proposed implementation of the Northumberland Street Works Permit Scheme The report will seek approval to implement a Northumberland Street Works Permit Scheme (G. Sanderson/L.Ryan 01670 624120)</p> | C&P 2 October 2019 | 12 November 2019 |
| <p>Budget 2020-21 and Medium Term Financial Plan 2020-23 The report will provide an update to the Medium Term Financial Plan and detail provisional additional budget proposals for 2020-21 to 2020-2023 to meet the budget gap, as the basis for budget consultation, prior to the receipt of the Local Government Finance Settlement in December 2019 (N. Oliver/A. Elsdon - 01670 622168)</p> | CSEG 11 November 2019 | 12 November 2019 |
| <p>Governance arrangements for the Borderlands Partnership The report will seek Cabinet's approval to a legally-binding Collaboration Agreement with the other constituent Councils in the Borderlands Partnership that spans the Scotland/England Border to effectively manage the delivery of the Borderlands Inclusive Growth Deal. (P. Jackson/J. Rose - 01670 624747)</p> | CSEG 11 November 2019 | 12 November 2019 |
| <p>The Development of Additionally Resourced Provision for Pupils with SEND in Northumberland This report provides an update on the proposal to develop Additionally Resourced Provision (ARP) in mainstreams schools in order to offer an additional tier of provision for pupils with SEND. The report provides an update on the work</p> | FACS 7 November 2019 | 12 November 2019 |

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| to date including details of expressions of interests from mainstream schools, potential costs, possible benefits, possible risks and options for consideration and trialling. (W. Daley/S. Aviston - 01670 622281) | | |
| Approval of the Council Tax Base 2020/21 The Council is required to set its council tax base annually. The tax base must be set between the 1st of December and 31st January. The tax base is a measure of the Council's taxable capacity which is used for the setting of its council tax. Legislation sets out the formula for calculation. Cabinet have delegated authority to approve the tax base. (N. Oliver/G. Barnes - 01670 624351) | CSEG 9 December 2019 | 10 December 2019 |
| Schools in the West This is the final report to summarise the outcomes of the resilience programme developed for schools in the west of Northumberland. In addition, there will be an update on developments related to a multi-academy trust for Northumberland. (W. Daley/A. Johnson - 01670 622767) | FACS 5 December 2019 | 10 December 2019 |
| Notification of the Estimated Collection Fund Balances 2019-20 – Council Tax & Business Rates The report will advise Cabinet of the estimated surplus or deficit balances on the Collection Fund in relation to Council Tax and Business Rates as at 31 March 2020. The Local Government Finance Act 1992 (as amended) requires the Council as the Billing Authority to calculate a Council Tax Collection Fund estimate by 15th January each year. The Non-Domestic Rating (Rates Retention) Regulations 2013 require the Council as the Billing Authority to calculate a | CSEG 9 December 2019 | 10 December 2019 |

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| Business Rates Collection Fund estimate on or before 31 st January each year. (N. Oliver/A. Elsdon - 01670 622168) | | |
| Draft Climate Commitment Action Plan The draft CCAP update report is designed to show how the Council will lead and support a move towards a net zero emissions County by 2030 and how the Council will halve its own emissions from 2010 by 2025. (G. Sanderson/T. Miller-Fay 07966329971) | CSEG 9 December 2019 | 10 December 2019 |
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| Financial Performance as at 31 December 2019 The report will provide Cabinet with the revenue financial position as at 31 December 2019 for the Council against the Budget for 2019-20. (N. Oliver/A. Elsdon - 01670 622168) | | 11 February 2020 |
| Budget 2020-21 and Medium Term Financial Plan 2020-23 The report presents the updated Budget 2020-21 and Medium Term Financial Plan 2020-23 to Cabinet following the receipt of the provisional local government settlement which is due to be announced during December 2019. The report will also include an update on the deliverability of savings. (N. Oliver/A. Elsdon - 01670 622168) | CSEG 10 February 2020 | 11 February 2020 |
| Financial Performance Provisional Outturn 2019-20 The report will provide Cabinet with the revenue financial position as at 31 March 2020 for the Council against the Budget for 2019-20. (N. Oliver/A. Elsdon - 01670 622168) | | 26 May 2020 |