

# COMMUNITIES AND PLACE OSC

## REPORT TO CABINET

9 MAY 2023

### North East Bus Service Improvement Plan

John Riddle, Portfolio Holder for Local Services presented the report to the Committee on 26 April 2023. Neil Easton, Public Transport Manager, Janice Rose, Interim Director of Regeneration and Simon Neilson, Executive Director of Place and Regeneration were also in attendance to assist with any queries from members.

Although the Committee welcomed the proposals contained in the report, members made the following comments for consideration by the Cabinet:

- support the Council's efforts in lobbying the Government to extend the funding period beyond 2024/25;
- encourage service providers to create addition space on vehicles to carry bicycles;
- with regard to recommendation 2 in the report, members agreed that the delegation should include the relevant portfolio holder, and
- with regard to recommendation 3 in the report, members agreed that the elected member representation should reflect the political balance of the Council.

The Committee further agreed to receive further reports on the implementation of the Plan as appropriate.

The Committee therefore **RESOLVED** to advise the Cabinet that it supported the recommendations subject to the above comments.

**COUNCILLOR NICK OLIVER**

**CHAIRMAN**