

DECISIONS TAKEN BY CABINET SINCE LAST OSC MEETING AND FORTHCOMING CABINET DECISIONS - MARCH 2024 TO MAY 2024

DECISION	CABINET DATE/DECISION
Cabinet Papers – 12 March 2024	https://northumberland.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=140&MId=2296
Financial Performance 2023-24 – Position at the end of December 2023	<p>12 March 2024</p> <p>RESOLVED that:</p> <p>(a) Cabinet approve the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the re-profiling to the Capital Programme of £47.326 million from 2023-24 to 2024-25 to reflect estimated expenditure levels in the current financial year. £4.738 million of this has already been factored into the 2024-25 to 2027-28 Medium Term Financial Plan. • the utilisation of £2.000 million from the Business Recovery Reserve to fund additional financial support for Active Northumberland in recognition of significant inflationary pressures and to allow Active Northumberland to maintain reserves at a sufficient level to facilitate an orderly closure of the business and transition to the new leisure provider. Any funds remaining upon the winding up of the business will transfer back to the Council to support leisure services in Northumberland. <p>(b) Cabinet note the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the projected overspend on services of £3.527 million and the assumptions outlined in this report. • the projected net overspend of £0.510 million after the utilisation of the reserves. • £2.000 million underspend on the Todstead Landslip scheme resulting in only £3.000 million of the £5.000 million allocation from the Severe Weather Reserve being required. • the supplementary estimates at Appendix A and the required changes to the budgets. • the delivery of the approved savings at Appendix B. • the use of the contingency shown at Appendix L. • the use of reserves shown at Appendix M. • the virements requested by services shown at Appendix N. • the details of capital project reprofiling shown at Appendix O.
<p>Summary of New Capital Proposals considered by Officer Capital Strategy Group</p> <p>(a) A197 Bothal Terrace, Ashington</p>	<p>12 March 2024</p> <p>RESOLVED that:</p> <p>(1) Cabinet note the capital grant secured of £0.200 million via Sustrans from the Department for Transport (DfT) 6</p>

<p>(b) Wooler Visitor Infrastructure</p>	<p>National Cycle Network (NCN) Activation Programme.</p> <p>(2) Cabinet approve the proposed spend and amend the capital programme in 2024-25 to include the capital grant of £0.200 million.</p> <p>(3) Cabinet approve the spend of £0.106 million to carry out the works detailed in section 6.</p> <p>(4) Cabinet approve the amendment to the Capital Programme to reallocate £0.106 million from the Strategic Regeneration Projects – Wooler Visitor Infrastructure to the Wooler Parking project in 2024-25.</p>
<p>(c) Energising Blyth Strategic Acquisitions</p>	<p>(5) Cabinet approve the amendment to the Capital Programme to reallocate £0.634 million (£0.382 million in 2023-24 and £0.252 million in 2024-25) from the Energising Blyth Acquisitions Project to the Strategic Acquisitions project.</p>
<p>(d) Prudhoe Waterworld Soft Play</p>	<p>(6) Cabinet approve the spend of £0.060 million to replace the existing soft play area at Prudhoe Waterworld in 2024-25.</p> <p>(7) Cabinet approve the amendment to the Capital Programme to reallocate £0.060 million from the Prudhoe Waterworld project to the Prudhoe Waterworld Soft Play project in 2024-25.</p>

FORTHCOMING CABINET DECISIONS

<p>Hirst Masterplan</p> <p>To introduce the Hirst Masterplan to cabinet and seek authorisation to move forward in developing its contents further.</p>	<p>9 April 2024</p>
<p>Housing Regeneration Report – Stock Rationalisation</p> <p>The report seeks Cabinet approval to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decommission a number of low demand homes in Blyth (See appendix 1A); • To place on hold lettings for empty homes and any homes that become empty in the addresses listed within this report; • To give priority status for re-housing to all customers who currently reside in any of the addresses detailed in this report. • To approve the award of Homeloss & Disturbance payments for any customers relocating from the properties detailed in this report 	<p>9 April 2024</p>
<p>Q3 Corporate Performance Report</p> <p>For Determination</p>	<p>9 April 2024</p>
<p>Summary of New Capital Proposals considered by Officer Capital Strategy Group</p> <p>This is a summary of the New Capital Proposals considered by the Capital Strategy Group on 27 February 2024.</p>	<p>9 April 2024</p>
<p>Climate Change Action Plan 2024-26</p> <p>To replace the expiring Climate Change Action Plan 2021-23 and to set out our intended strategies for reaching our climate change targets across the next three years and beyond.</p>	<p>9 April 2024</p>
<p>Energy Central Campus Phase 1 – Technical Training Kit: Outline Business Case</p> <p>In accordance with the Energising Blyth Programme - Local Assurance Framework, the report seeks the approval of the Outline Business Case (OBC) for the Energy Central Campus Phase 1 – Technical Training Kit which is part of development and delivery of the £20.71m Levelling Up Deep Dive (LUDD) funding awarded to Blyth earlier this year. The OBC has been externally appraised with a recommendation to proceed to Full Business Case (FBC).</p>	<p>9 April 2024</p>
<p>Energising Blyth: Levelling Up Deep Dive – Bowes Ct.</p> <p>This report updates Cabinet and seeks approval of the Outline Business Case and other key decisions regarding the delivery of the Bowes Court retro-fit of properties. It will recommend the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To approve the Outline Business Case to enable progression to Full Business Case. 	<p>7 May 2024</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delegate authority, in accordance with the Local Assurance Framework, to the Council's Executive Director of Finance (Section 151 Officer) following consideration by the Energising Blyth Programme Board to approve the Full Business Case. • Delegate approvals to the Executive Director for Place and Regeneration to enter into any contracts relating to the project subject to confirmation of associated funding being in place and the appropriate procurement processes being followed. 	
<p>Financial Performance 2023-24 - Position at the end of February 2024 (Provisional Outturn)</p> <p>The report will provide Cabinet with the revenue and capital forecast provisional outturn against budget for 2023-24. Due to the timing of the statutory accounts deadline the forecast provisional outturn will be based on the position at the end of February.</p>	<p>7 May 2024</p>