

Delegated Decisions by Officers of the North East Combined Authority (NECA) between April 2014 and May 2017

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1	Agreement to the Local Growth Fund Project award in respect of the Live Theatre Trust Office Development and Bel Valves/Newcastle University Centre of Excellence for Hyperberic Testing, Newcastle.	Jane Robinson – Head of Paid Service of the NECA	4 November 2014	As outlined in the report (confidential).
2	Agreement to the Local Growth Fund Project award in respect of the Shepherds Offshore Deep Water Testing Facility on the North Bank of the River Tyne.	Jane Robinson – Head of Paid Service of the NECA	5 December 2014	As outlined in the report (confidential).
3	Appointment of the Managing Director (Transport Operations) for the NECA.	Jane Robinson – Head of Paid Service of the NECA	17 December 2014	The shortlisted candidates were interviewed by a panel comprising Leadership Board Members and representatives of the LA7 Chief Executives. The Panel recommended that Tobyn Hughes, the Deputy Director General of Nexus, be appointed to the role of Managing Director (Transport Operations). To enable the appointment process to proceed in

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				a timely manner and in advance of the planned retirement of the former Director General, the decision was taken to appoint Tobyn Hughes to that role with the support of the members of the Leadership Board.
4	New Tyne Crossing Settlement of Claim in relation to River Tyne (Tunnels) Order 2005 and Section 4 Land Compensation Act 1961 (As Amended) Between the North East Combined Authority and Rohm and Haas (UK) Limited. (Confidential)	Jane Robinson – Head of Paid Service of the NECA	23 December 2014	As outlined in the report (confidential).
5	The Local Growth Fund grant award to the Port of Blyth in relation to the BEACH 2 Training Hub	Jane Robinson – Head of Paid Service of the NECA	6 May 2015	As outlined in the report (confidential).
6	The Local Growth Fund grant award to the Newcastle Science Central Low Carbon Energy Service	Jane Robinson – Head of Paid	6 May 2015	As outlined in the report (confidential).

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		Service of the NECA		
7	Tyne Metropolitan College, STEM & Innovation Centre	Jane Robinson – Head of Paid Service of the NECA	19 May 2015	As outlined in the report (confidential).
8	Centre for Innovation Formulation Rural Skills Development, East Durham College	Jane Robinson – Head of Paid Service of the NECA	19 May 2015	As outlined in the report (confidential).
9	Rural Business Infrastructure and Investment Programme, Northumberland County Council	Jane Robinson – Head of Paid Service of the NECA	19 May 2015	As outlined in the report (confidential).
10	Newcastle Laboratory and Life Sciences Incubation Hub, Newcastle City Council	Jane Robinson – Head of Paid Service of the NECA	19 May 2015	As outlined in the report (confidential).

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11	South Tyneside College, Facilities for Marine & Offshore Engineering	Jane Robinson – Head of Paid Service of the NECA	19 May 2015	As outlined in the report (confidential).
12	Local Growth Funding in respect of the Stephenson Quarter Boiler Shop/20 South Street, Development	Adam Wilkinson – Head of Paid Service of the NECA	30 September 2015	As outlined in the report (confidential).
13	Use of Enterprise Zone Business Rate Income to support the A19 Ultra Low Carbon Vehicle Corridor (A19 ULCV Enterprise Zone)	Adam Wilkinson – Head of Paid Service of the NECA	30 September 2015	As outlined in the report (confidential).
14	Local Growth Funding in respect of the University of Sunderland for the Construction of a Centre for Enterprise and Innovation	Adam Wilkinson – Head of Paid Service of the NECA	30 September 2015	As outlined in the report (confidential).

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15	Variation of Funding Agreement – Vantec Warehouse Facility, Hillthorn Farm.	Adam Wilkinson – Head of Paid Service of the NECA	30 September 2015	As outlined in the report (confidential).
16	Completion of the Grant Funding Agreement with Nexus Regarding the Local Growth Funding for the Refurbishment of Central Station Metro Station, as instructed by the Transport North East Committee on 9 July 2015	Vivienne Geary – Monitoring Officer for the North East Combined Authority	8 October 2015	This is the completion of the Grant Funding Agreement and thus the implementation of the 9 July 2015 decision of the Transport North East Committee (TNEC) to release funding from the Local Growth Fund to Nexus for the refurbishment of Central Station Metro Station.
17	To enter into the Funding Agreement on behalf of the NECA as the Accountable Body for the North East Local Enterprise Partnership (NE LEP) for the release of funding, subject to conditions, from the North East Investment Fund (NEIF) to contribute to the development of a hotel by Arch as part of	Vivienne Geary – Monitoring Officer for the North East Combined Authority	8 October 2015	Entering into the Funding Agreement is in accordance with the decision of the NE LEP Board of 29 January 2015 and the decision of the North East Leadership Board of 17 February 2015 to provide the funding from the NEIF to Arch to permit the

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	the development of the Commissioner's Quay in Blyth.			development of the hotel at the Commissioner's Quay.
18	Local Sustainable Transport Fund (LSTF) Capital Urban Traffic Management Control The Head of Paid Service for the North East Combined Authority (NECA) approves that the LSTF Capital Urban Traffic Management Control scheme is based on a compliant business case (following a report of the North East Regional Transport Team) and that a Grant Funding Agreements between the NECA and lead scheme promoters (Newcastle City Council and Durham County Council) may be entered into allowing the scheme to progress to delivery.	Adam Wilkinson – Head of Paid Service of the NECA	13 October 2015	The scheme has a compliant business case which has passed an independent review. The completion of Grant Funding Agreements between the NECA and lead promoting authorities will allow the scheme to proceed with delivery, including Local Growth Fund expenditure of £2.781m in 2015/16 financial year.
19	The Head of Paid Service for the North East Combined Authority (NECA) approves that the LSTF Capital Sunderland City Centre Cycle Permeability Scheme is based on a compliant business case (following a report of the NECA Head of Transport Policy) and that a Grant	Adam Wilkinson – Head of Paid Service of the NECA	27 November 2015	The scheme has a compliant business case which has passed an independent review. The completion of a Grant Funding Agreement between the

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	Funding Agreement between the NECA and lead scheme promoters (Sunderland City Council) may be entered into allowing the scheme to progress to delivery.			NECA and promoting authority (Sunderland City Council) will allow the scheme to proceed with delivery, including Local Growth Fund expenditure of £352,000 in 2015/16 financial year, and a further £448,000 of LGF conditionally agreed for 2016/17.
20	Emirates Durham International Cricket Ground – Application for Floodlights	Adam Wilkinson – Head of Paid Service of the NECA	3 December 2015	As outlined in the report (confidential).
21	To approve the submission of an Expression of Interest to the Careers Enterprise Company for project funding	Adam Wilkinson – Head of Paid Service of the NECA	5 December 2015	As outlined in the report (confidential).
22	To allocate £150,000 from the Budget for Devolution Workstream activity Budget of £500,000 to fund Programme Management	Adam Wilkinson – Head of Paid	23 December 2015	To effectively and efficiently prepare for the Devolution Agreement

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	Activity and co-ordination activity including legal and finance advice. To allocate an initial £100,000 for the Health and Social Care workstream to cover costs up to 31 March 2016.	Service of the NECA		
23	The Head of Paid Service for the North East Combined Authority (NECA) approves that the LSTF Capital Durham Station Cycle Links Scheme is based on a compliant business case (following a report of the NECA Head of Transport Policy) and that a Grant Funding Agreement between the NECA and lead scheme promoters (Durham County Council) may be entered into allowing the scheme to progress to delivery.	Adam Wilkinson – Head of Paid Service of the NECA	21 December 2015	<p>The scheme has a compliant business case which has passed an independent review.</p> <p>The completion of a Grant Funding Agreement between the NECA and promoting authority (Durham County Council) will allow the scheme to proceed with delivery, including Local Growth Fund expenditure of £150,000 in 2015/16 financial year, and a further £450,000 of LGF conditionally agreed for 2016/17.</p>

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24	The Head of Paid Service for the North East Combined Authority (NECA) approves that the LSTF Capital Gateshead Wellington Street Cycle Improvements Scheme is based on a compliant business case (following a report of the NECA Head of Transport Policy) and that a Grant Funding Agreement between the NECA and lead scheme promoters (Gateshead Council) may be entered into allowing the scheme to progress to delivery.	Adam Wilkinson – Head of Paid Service of the NECA	21 December 2015	The scheme has a compliant business case which has passed an independent review. The completion of a Grant Funding Agreement between the NECA and promoting authority (Gateshead Council) will allow the scheme to proceed with delivery, including Local Growth Fund expenditure of £180,000 in 2015/16 financial year.
25	Decision to enter into the Funding Agreement on behalf of the North East Combined Authority as the Accountable Body for the North East Local Enterprise Partnership (NE LEP) to the grant funding of £6m subject to the conditions to be contained in the Grant Funding Agreement in respect of the River Tyne Economic Development project.	Vivienne Geary – Monitoring Officer for the North East Combined Authority	8 January 2016	Having had regard to the report presented to the NE LEP Board on 24 September 2015 and noting the decision of the NE LEP Board and in accordance with the delegated authority given to the Monitoring Officer by the Leadership Board, and in consultation with the Chief Finance Officer, the Monitoring Officer considers that it is

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				appropriate to enter into the Funding Agreement. The issue of State Aid has been carefully considered and external legal advice obtained.
26	Agreement to commission works to enable the preferred bidder to commence work on behalf of North East Combined Authority (NECA) as lead for Transport for the North (TfN) international connectivity work stream. And also to authorise the Monitoring Officer to enter into relevant contracts with the successful bidder on behalf of the NECA.	Adam Wilkinson – Head of Paid Service of the NECA	21 January 2016	As outlined in the report (confidential).
27	Decision to agree on behalf of the North East Combined Authority as the Accountable Body for the North East Local Enterprise Partnership (NELEP) to a grant from the Local Growth Fund (LGF) to Durham County Council for the NETPark Phase 3a infrastructure subject to conditions. And also to give authority to the NECA's Monitoring	Adam Wilkinson – Head of Paid Service of the NECA	5 February 2016	As outlined in the report (confidential).

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	<p>Officer to negotiate and enter into the appropriate Funding Agreement on behalf of NECA as the Accountable Body for the NE LEP.</p>			
28	<p>Decision to approve that the LSTF Capital Durham Station Gateway scheme is based on a compliant business case (following a report of the North East Regional Transport Team) and that a Grant Funding Agreement between the NECA and lead scheme promoters (Durham County Council) may be entered into allowing the scheme to progress to delivery.</p>	<p>Patrick Melia – Deputy Interim Head of Paid Service of the North East Combined Authority</p>	<p>8 February 2016</p>	<p>The scheme has a compliant business case which has passed an independent review.</p> <p>The completion of a Grant Funding Agreement between the NECA and lead promoting authority will allow the scheme to proceed with delivery, including Local Growth Fund expenditure of £40,000 in 2015/16 financial year.</p>
29	<p>The Deputy Head of Paid Service for the North East Combined Authority (NECA) approves that the LSTF Capital Durham Wheels to Work scheme is based on a compliant business case (following a report of the North East Regional Transport Team) and that a Grant Funding Agreements between the NECA and lead scheme promoter (Durham</p>	<p>Patrick Melia – Deputy Interim Head of Paid Service of the North East Combined Authority</p>	<p>8 February 2016</p>	<p>The scheme has a compliant business case which has passed an independent review.</p> <p>The completion of a Grant Funding Agreement between the NECA and lead promoting authority will allow the scheme to</p>

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	County Council) may be entered into allowing the scheme to progress to delivery.			proceed with delivery, including Local Growth Fund expenditure of £50,000 in 2015/16 financial year.
30	<p>Decision to agree on behalf of the North East Combined Authority as the Accountable Body for the North East Local Enterprise Partnership (NE LEP) to the grant funding from the Local Growth Fund (LGF) to Durham County Council for the Forrest Park Phase 1a project (Previously named Merchant Park) subject to conditions.</p> <p>And also decision to give authority to the NECA's Monitoring Officer to negotiate and enter into the appropriate Funding Agreement on behalf of NECA as the Accountable Body for the NE LEP.</p>	Adam Wilkinson – Head of Paid Service of the NECA	11 February 2016	As outlined in the report (confidential).
31	<p>Entering into the Grant Funding Agreements relating to the following transport projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A1058 Coast Road, North Tyneside (a revised capital programme provision of £6.523M in principle). 	Vivienne Geary – Monitoring Officer for the North East	19 February 2016	Entering into the Funding Agreements is in line with the decisions made by the Leadership Board in relation to each project. A full report was given to the Leadership Board in relation to

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weetslade Roundabout Improvements, North Tyneside (the release of the Local Growth Fund allocation of £4.33m grant for this project). • A19 Employment Corridor Access Improvements (to proceed to grant funding agreement and construction based on a full and compliant business case, with an Local Growth Fund (LGF) grant of £4.7m). • A191 Junctions, including Coach Lane and Tyne View Park (to proceed to grant funding agreement and construction based on a full and compliant business case, with an LGF grant of £1.5m). 	Combined Authority		each project. Entering into the Agreements is in accordance with the delegated authority given to me by the Leadership Board.
32	Decision to extend the contract of the NECA Interim Head of Paid Service until 29 July 2016.	Patrick Melia – Deputy Head of Paid Service for the North East Combined Authority	25 February 2016	To continue to fill the Head of Paid Service role on an interim basis to help deliver the objectives of NECA.

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Item Number	Subject of the Decision	Name and Title of the Decision Maker	Date of the Decision	Reasons for the Decision
33	Decision to approve the Local Government Fund (LGF) funding for the Swans Wet Berth Infilling project and to authorise the Monitoring officer to enter into an appropriate Funding Agreement when appropriate.	Adam Wilkinson, Head of Paid Service for the North East Combined Authority	1 March 2016	As outlined in the report (confidential).
34	To agree on behalf of the North East Combined Authority as the Accountable Body for the North East Local Enterprise Partnership (NELEP) to grant funding to Northumberland College, Ashington, Northumberland for the STEM facility and to give authority to the Monitoring Officer to take appropriate steps to enter into an appropriate Funding Agreement.	Adam Wilkinson, Head of Paid Service for the North East Combined Authority	8 March 2016	As outlined in the report (confidential).
35	Decision to extend the contracts of the NECA Project Managers.	Adam Wilkinson, Head of Paid Service for the North East	14 March 2016	As outlined in the report (confidential).

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		Combined Authority		
36	<p>Decision to approve the Local Sustainable Transport Fund (LSTF) funding for the following LSTF projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morpeth Cycle Project; • South Shields Town Centre Cycling Link Improvements; and • Cobalt Cycle Scheme, North Tyneside, and to authorise the Monitoring officer to enter into an appropriate Funding Agreements when she is satisfied that it is appropriate to do so. 	<p>Adam Wilkinson, Head of Paid Service for the North East Combined Authority</p>	21 March 2016	As outlined in the report (confidential).
37	<p>Decision to submit NECA's bid for funding from the Sustainable Transport Transition Year Fund prior to the submission deadline of 29 March 2016.</p>	<p>Adam Wilkinson, Head of Paid Service for the North East Combined Authority</p>	29 March 2016	To provide the opportunity for the NECA to secure additional funding to support the region's sustainable transport agenda.

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38	Decision to agree that the LSTF Capital Newcastle International Airport Gateway scheme is based on a compliant business case (following a report of the North East Regional Transport Team) and that a Grant Funding Agreements between the NECA and lead scheme promoter (Durham County Council) may be entered into allowing the scheme to progress to delivery.	Adam Wilkinson, Head of Paid Service of the North East Combined Authority	26 April 2016	The scheme has a compliant business case which has passed an independent review. The completion of a Grant Funding Agreement between the NECA and lead promoting authority will allow the scheme to proceed with delivery, including Local Growth Fund expenditure of £33,700 in 2016/17 financial year.
39	The Head of Paid Service for the North East Combined Authority (NECA) approves that the LSTF Capital Real Time Passenger Information Gateways Improvement scheme is based on a compliant business case (following a report of the North East Regional Transport Team) and that a Grant Funding Agreements between the NECA and lead scheme promoters (Nexus) may be entered into allowing the scheme to progress to delivery.	Adam Wilkinson, Head of Paid Service of the North East Combined Authority	4 May 2016	The scheme has a compliant business case which has passed an independent review. The completion of Grant Funding Agreements between the NECA and lead promoting authorities will allow the scheme to proceed with delivery, including Local Growth Fund expenditure of £261,400 in 2016/17 financial year.

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40	<p>The Head of Paid Service in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chairs of NECA agrees the Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) funding for a project for the National Centre for Healthcare Photonics subject to conditions. Also, delegated authority is given to the Monitoring Officer to enter into an appropriate Grant Funding Agreement.</p> <p>(Urgent Decision)</p>	Head of Paid Service of the North East Combined Authority	8 June 2016	Having regard to the Report to the Chair and Vice-Chair of the LEP and their decision to support the funding of the project and the Business Plan relating to the project and the comments of the Monitoring Officer and the Chief Finance Officer, the Head of Paid Service considers it appropriate for the NECA as the accountable body for the LEP to approve the funding of the project subject to conditions being included in the Grant Funding Agreement.
41	<p>The Head of Paid Service for the North East Combined Authority (NECA) approves that the LSTF Capital South Shields Town Centre Cycling Link Improvements scheme is based on a compliant business case (following a report of the North East Regional Transport Team) and that a Grant Funding Agreements between the NECA and lead scheme promoter (South Tyneside Council) may be</p>	Adam Wilkinson, Head of Paid Service of the North East Combined Authority	13 June 2016	<p>The scheme has a compliant business case which has passed an independent review.</p> <p>The completion of Grant Funding Agreements between the NECA and lead promoting authorities will allow the scheme to proceed with delivery, including Local Growth</p>

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	entered into allowing the scheme to progress to delivery.			Fund expenditure of £9.25k 2015/16 and £640.75k in 2016/17 financial year.
42	<p>Award of a contract to Creo Communications Ltd for the Design, Development, Management and Delivery of exhibition stand and brochure at MIPIM UK 2016 on behalf of the North East Combined Authority.</p> <p>The contract has been awarded in accordance with Sunderland City Council's Contract Standing Orders</p>	<p>Adam Wilkinson, Head of Paid Service of the North East Combined Authority</p>	21 June 2016	To enable the North East Combined Authority to attend and exhibit at MIPIM UK 2016.
43	<p>An urgent delegated decision to award the tender for the Go Smarter Programme management to Aecom.</p> <p>(Urgent Decision)</p>	<p>Patrick Melia, Deputy Head of Paid Service of the North East Combined Authority</p>	2 August 2016	<p>Having regard to the fact that an appropriate procurement exercise was undertaken and that a clear strongest bidder identified and considering the comments of the Monitoring Officer and Chief Finance Officer I am content to use my delegated authority to award the Go Smarter Programme management team contract to Aecom and to authorise the</p>

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				Monitoring Officer to approve and sign the appropriate contractual documentation.
44	A decision to approve a capital grant for the Beacon of Light project.	Patrick Melia, Deputy Head of Paid Service of the North East Combined Authority	8 September 2016	As outlined in the report (confidential)
45	A decision to approve a capital grant for the Welcome Building Enabling Works project.	Patrick Melia, Deputy Head of Paid Service of the North East Combined Authority	8 September 2016	As outlined in the report (confidential)
46	A decision to submit a bid for the European Regional Development fund in relation to the "Go Ultra Low North East" programme.	Helen Golightly, Interim Head of Paid Service of the North East	30 September 2016	As outlined in the report (confidential)

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		Combined Authority		
47	A delegated decision to approve a capital grant of £4,440,736 for the East Sleekburn Enterprise Zone – Site Reclamation and Dock Works project.	Helen Golightly, Interim Head of Paid Service of the North East Combined Authority	4 October 2016	As outlined in the report (confidential)
48	A delegated decision to a capital grant of £1,100,000 for the Eagles Community Arena project.	Helen Golightly, Interim Head of Paid Service of the North East Combined Authority	4 October 2016	As outlined in the report (confidential)
49	A delegated decision to approve a capital grant of £1,359,322 for the Phase II Intersect 19, Tyne Tunnel Trading Estate project.	Helen Golightly, Interim Head of Paid Service of	4 October 2016	As outlined in the report (confidential)

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		the North East Combined Authority		
50	<p>Due to the urgency as explained in the Reasons for Decision, the Head of Paid Service made an urgent decision to award the Go Smarter to Work Business Engagement contract solely to the successful bidder (WSP UK Ltd) based on the correct information available at the conclusion of the procurement exercise.</p> <p>(Urgent Decision)</p>	<p>Helen Golightly, Interim Head of Paid Service of the North East Combined Authority</p>	6 October 2016	<p>Reason for urgency: Following a successful challenge to the proposed award of the Go Smarter to Work Business Engagement contract, due the timescales involved an urgent decision was required to be taken to ensure the new provider was appointed as soon as possible to the current 2016/17 Go Smarter programme.</p> <p>(The earlier decision of the Leadership Board of 20 September 2016 to award the contract to two bidders was based on incorrect information provided to it.)</p>

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51	A delegated decision to approve a capital grant of £600,000 for the Cowpen Road, Blyth – highway improvement scheme project.	Helen Golightly, Interim Head of Paid Service of the North East Combined Authority	20 October 2016	As outlined in the report (confidential)
52	An urgent delegated decision to authorise the Monitoring Officer to execute on behalf of NECA the Intercreditor Deed and Deed of Subordination relating to the Assignment of the Durham Cricket Limited debt and Security held by CR Financial Solutions Limited to the England and Wales Cricket Board. (Urgent Decision)	Helen Golightly, Interim Head of Paid Service of the North East Combined Authority	1 November 2016	After consideration of the legal advice provided by Ward Hadaway and considering the comments of the Monitoring officer and the Chief Finance Officer the Interim Head of Paid Service considers that it is in the interests of NECA to have the Monitoring Officer executing the Deeds on behalf of NECA and thus ensure that the Durham Cricket Ltd continues to operate and thus continue to repay the monies due to NECA under its loan.

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53	A delegated decision to approve a capital grant of £968,830 for the Northern Centre for Emerging Technology project.	Helen Golightly, Interim Head of Paid Service of the North East Combined Authority	7 November 2016	As outlined in the report (confidential)
54	A delegated decision to approve a capital grant of £3,200,000 for the Explorer, NETPark project.	Helen Golightly, Interim Head of Paid Service of the North East Combined Authority	7 November 2016	As outlined in the report (confidential)
55	A delegated decision to approve that the Local Sustainable Transport Fund (LSTF) Capital Cobalt Cycle Links Scheme is based on a compliant business case and that a Grant Funding Agreement between the NECA and lead scheme promoters (North Tyneside	Helen Golightly, Interim Head of Paid Service of the North East	14 November 2016	The scheme has a compliant business case which has passed an independent review. The completion of a Grant Funding Agreement between the NECA and promoting authority (North Tyneside Council) will allow

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	Council) may be entered into allowing the scheme to progress to delivery.	Combined Authority		the scheme to proceed with full delivery of Local Growth Fund expenditure of £583,000 in 2016/17.
56	An urgent delegated decision for NECA to enter into a replacement grant funding agreement with Newcastle City Council for the Newcastle Laboratory project at Science Central. (Urgent Decision)	Helen Golightly, Interim Head of Paid Service of the North East Combined Authority	19 December 2016	To enable the project to proceed without any further delay and avoid adverse impacts on the LGF budget targets in 2016/17. Construction contract are due to be let in December 2016.
57	A delegated decision to approve a capital grant of £1,270,999 Local Growth Funds and capital loan finance of £1,694,666 of North East Investment Fund monies for the Monkton South Business Park project.	Helen Golightly, Interim Head of Paid Service of the North East Combined Authority	19 January 2017	As outlined in the report (confidential)
58	A delegated decision to approve a capital grant from the Local Growth Fund programme of £1,250,000 to Durham County Council to	Patrick Melia, Vice Head of Paid Service of	9 February 2017	As outlined in the report (confidential)

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	deliver the Durham City Incubator project. This project entails the acquisition and conversion of Salvus House office building at Aykely Heads in Durham to create 2620sqm of business incubation facilities and managed office space.	the North East Combined Authority		
59	<p>A delegated decision to approve</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eligible Spend Start Date of 6 May 2016 when North East LEP Board originally agreed to the project entering the programme. • Enterprise Zone Business Rate Receipts up to the value of £11.178m to March 2038 to repay Northumberland County Council borrowing for the East Sleekburn Enterprise Zone – Site Reclamation and Dock Works project. 	Patrick Melia, Vice Head of Paid Service of the North East Combined Authority	9 February 2017	As outlined in the report (confidential)
60	A delegated decision to approve the the LSTF Capital Morpeth Cycling Scheme business case and for the NECA to enter into Grant	Helen Golightly,	13 February 2017	The Head of Paid Service for the North East Combined Authority (NECA) approves that the LSTF

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	Funding Agreement with Northumberland County Council for the Morpeth Cycling Scheme LSTF Capital scheme (part of the Local Growth Fund), based on the receipt of a compliant business case for the scheme.	Interim Head of Paid Service of the North East Combined Authority		Capital Morpeth Cycling Scheme is based on a compliant business case (following a report of the NECA Head of Transport Policy) and that a Grant Funding Agreement between the NECA and lead scheme promoters (Northumberland County Council) may be entered into allowing the scheme to progress to delivery.
61	An urgent delegated decision to approve £5.7m of North East Investment Fund monies to the North East Property Fund proposal from the Finance Wales Capital Group (FW Capital Ltd). This pilot will draw upon the established fund manager experience of FW Capital in the North East, to deliver a fund capitalised at £10m to support SMEs with residential and commercial development projects across the North East LEP area. The North East Investment Fund resource has been used to successfully leverage in match funding from the commercial sector of £4.3m. The Fund is	Helen Golightly, Interim Head of Paid Service of the North East Combined Authority	14 February 2017	As outlined in the report (confidential)

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	forecasting it will provide for 389 new homes and 3835 sqm of commercial floor space during its five years of operation. (Urgent Decision)			
62	<p>A delegated decision to approve the following changes to LGF transport schemes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • South Shields Transport Hub- extension of the 1st stage Grant Funding Agreement, • North Bank of the Tyne- 1st Stage Grant Funding Agreement and • “The Arches”- 1st stage Grant Funding 	<p>Helen Golightly, Interim Head of Paid Service of the North East Combined Authority</p>	20 March 2017	<p>Given the agreement of the LEP Board to the changes to the three LGF projects and after having consulted with the Monitoring Officer and Chief Finance Officer the Head of Paid Service is content that the changes to the projects are in line with those presented to the Leadership Board on 17 January 2017.</p>
63	<p>A delegated decision to approve the scheme business case, and for the NECA to enter into Grant Funding Agreement with Northumberland County Council, for the Morpeth Gateway Scheme LSTF Capital scheme (part of the Local Growth Fund),</p>	<p>Helen Golightly, Interim Head of Paid Service of the North East</p>	28 March 2017	<p>The scheme has a compliant business case which has passed an independent review.</p> <p>The completion of a Grant Funding Agreement between the NECA and the promoting authority</p>

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	based on the receipt of a compliant business case for the scheme.	Combined Authority		(Northumberland County Council) will allow the scheme to proceed with full delivery of Local Growth Fund expenditure of £4,900 in 2016/17 and £10,000 in 2017/18.
64	<p>Local Sustainable Transport Fund Capital Schemes: 'Newcastle Central Station LSTF Gateway Scheme' Approval to Proceed</p> <p>A delegated decision to approve the scheme business case and for the NECA to enter into Grant Funding Agreement with Newcastle City Council for the Newcastle Central Station LSTF Gateway LSTF Capital scheme (part of the Local Growth Fund), based on the receipt of a compliant business case for the scheme.</p>	Helen Golightly, Interim Head of Paid Service of the North East Combined Authority	3 April 2017	<p>The scheme has a compliant business case which has passed an independent review.</p> <p>The completion of a Grant Funding Agreement between the NECA and the promoting authority (Newcastle City Council) will allow the scheme to proceed with full delivery of Local Growth Fund expenditure of £37,000 in 2016/17.</p>
65	<p>LGF Follingsby South EZ Feasibility Studies</p> <p>A delegated decision to approve a capital grant from the Local Growth Fund programme of £75,000 to Gateshead MBC to deliver the</p>	Helen Golightly, Interim Head of Paid Service of the North East	5 May 2017	As outlined in the report (confidential)

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