



Forward Plan of Decisions

6 May 2020*

The Forward Plan for the North East Combined Authority (NECA) is prepared and published by the Monitoring Officer for the purpose of;

- A. Giving 28 days' notice of key decisions that are planned to be taken by the NECA, its Boards, Committees or Chief Officers
- B. Complete transparency about decisions – the Plan also includes an overview of non-key decisions to be taken by the Combined Authority or its Chief Officers

Included within the Forward Plan are decisions that are to be made by:

- [NECA Committees](#)
- [North East Joint Transport Committees](#)
- [Officers under delegation \(Delegated Decisions\)](#)

Unless otherwise indicated, if you require any further information or wish to make representations about any of the matters contained in the Forward Plan please contact the appropriate officer as detailed against each entry at least 7 days before the meeting.

***The most recent entries are referred to as “NEW”. Updated entries are referred to as “Updated”. Items withdrawn since the last publication are referred to as “Withdrawn” and following that will be removed altogether.**

Further information about the Forward Plan and NECA Decision Making can be found in 'The Combined Authorities (Overview and Scrutiny Committees, Access to Information and Audit Committees) Order 2017' and the NECA Overview and Scrutiny Committee's Decision Making Protocol which can be found at <http://northeastca.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/NECA-Decision-Making-Protocol.pdf>

NECA Committees

Reference Number and Thematic Area	Decision expected to be made on or within 60 days of	Decision Type: Key or Non-Key	Decision Maker	Details of Decision to be taken	Additional Documents for consideration	Contact Officer	Decision to be made in Public or Private (and relevant category of exemption)
Leadership Board							
LB 1 (a) Economic Development and Digital (Standard Item)	9 June 2020	Non-Key	Leadership Board	Economic Development and Digital Thematic Update To note and provide any comments on the update report on the Economic Development and Digital Thematic Lead Portfolio.		Vince Taylor NECA Economic Lead Officer 0191 561 1113 Vince.taylor@sunderland.gov.uk	Public
LB 1 (b) Chairman's Portfolio (Standard Item)	9 June 2020	Non-Key	Leadership Board	Thematic Lead Portfolio Update Report from the Chair To provide an update on the Chair's Thematic Lead Portfolio – For Information and Comment.		George Mansbridge Corporate Director Regeneration and Environment, South Tyneside 0191 424 7969 George.mansbridge@southtyneside.gov.uk	Public
LB 1 (c) Transport (Standard Item)	9 June 2020	Non-Key	Leadership Board	Transport Thematic Lead Portfolio Update Report To provide an update on the Transport Thematic Lead Portfolio.		Anneliese Hutchinson anneliesehutchinson@gateshead.gov.uk	Public

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LB 1 (d) Finance and Skills and Employment (Standard Item)	9 June 2020	Non-Key	Leadership Board	Finance and Skills and Employment Thematic Lead Portfolio Update Report To provide an update on the Finance and Skills and Employment Thematic Lead Portfolio.		Geoff Paul Interim Corporate Director, Durham geoff.paul@durham.gov.uk	Public
Audit and Standards Sub-Committee							
There are no meetings currently scheduled.							
Audit and Standards Committee – 14 April 2020 – Meeting Stood Down							
Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 19 March 2020 – Meeting Stood Down							
Economic Development and Digital Advisory Board (EDDAB) – 24 March 2020 – Meeting Stood Down							

North East Joint Transport Committees

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North East Joint Transport Committee (JTC) – 17 March 2020 - Meeting cancelled							
North East Joint Transport Committee Tyne and Wear Sub-Committee (TWSC)							
TWSC 6 (a)	14 May 2020	Non-key	JTC Tyne and Wear Sub-Committee	<p>Appointment of Non-Executive Directors to the Nexus Board</p> <p>The report seeks approval to the appointment of Non-Executive Directors to the Nexus Board.</p>	TWSC Report – Appointment of Non-Executive Directors to the Nexus Board – 21 November 2019.	<p>Tobyn Hughes Managing Director, Transport North East 0191 203 3246 Tobyn.hughes@nexus.org.uk</p>	Public
TWSC 6 (b) Standing Item	14 May 2020	Non-key	JTC Tyne and Wear Sub-Committee	<p>Monitoring Nexus' Performance</p> <p>To provide members with an update on Nexus' corporate performance for 2019/20 including Metro performance and the exercise of delegated power to implement the Nexus family offer.</p>	<p>Nexus Corporate Plan 2019/20 https://northeastca.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/JTC-Tyne-and-Wear-Sub-Committee-31-January-2019-Agenda-Pack.pdf</p>	<p>Tobyn Hughes Managing Director, Transport North East 0191 203 3246 Tobyn.hughes@nexus.org.uk</p>	Public

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TWSC 6 (c) Standing Item	14 May 2020	Non-key	JTC Tyne and Wear Sub-Committee	Nexus Corporate Risks 2020/21 To present members with Nexus' Corporate Risk Register for 2020/21. The report identifies the corporate risks for 2020/21 including any mitigating actions put in place.	None	Tobyn Hughes Managing Director, Transport North East 0191 203 3246 Tobyn.hughes@nexus.org.uk	Public
TWSC 6 (d)	14 May 2020	Non-key	JTC Tyne and Wear Sub-Committee	Tyne Tunnels Update The report seeks approval of Members for: a) the early implementation of Post-Pay at the Tyne Tunnels; and b) the delay for 3 months of the Class 3 (HGV) toll increase planned for May 2020.	None.	Tobyn Hughes Managing Director, Transport North East 0191 203 3246 Tobyn.hughes@nexus.org.uk	Public
TWSC 6 (e)	14 May 2020	Non-key	JTC Tyne and Wear Sub-Committee	Impact of COVID-19 on the Bus Network and the need for Public Sector Financial Support The report asks Members to note that Nexus has made and is expected to continue making secured bus services and concessionary fares to commercial bus operators at pre COVID-19 budgeted levels. The report also seeks agreement, subject to JTC approval for Nexus' share of the Better Deal for Bus	None	John Fenwick Director of Finance and Resources 0191 203 3248 John.fenwick@nexus.org.uk	Public

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				Users Grant can be used as a means of offsetting Nexus' secured services fare revenue losses.			
TWSC 6 (f)	14 May 2020	Non-key	JTC Tyne and Wear Sub-Committee	<p>Extension of the Metro Family Offer</p> <p>The report seeks approval of Members for the extension of the Metro family offer once rules around social distancing as a result of the COVID-19 crisis have been removed.</p>	None	<p>Tobyn Hughes Managing Director, Transport North East 0191 203 3246 Tobyn.hughes@nexus.org.uk</p>	Public
TWSC 6 (g)	14 May 2020	Key	JTC Tyne and Wear Sub-Committee	<p>Lease of land at Strawberry Place, Newcastle</p> <p>The report will seek to obtain approval to Nexus surrendering its lease and entering into a new lease with Strawberry Place Developments Limited in relation to land at Strawberry Place, Newcastle.</p>	None	<p>Tobyn Hughes Managing Director, Transport North East 0191 203 3246 Tobyn.hughes@nexus.org.uk</p>	Private – by virtue of paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the

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North East Joint Transport Committee Overview and Scrutiny Committee (JTC Overview and Scrutiny Committee) – 19 March 2020 – Meeting cancelled							
North East Joint Transport Committee Audit Committee (JTC Audit Committee) – 9 April 2020 – Meeting cancelled							

Officer Delegated Decisions

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DD 111 Economic Development and Regeneration UPDATED	30 June 2019	Non-Key	Monitoring Officer	Incubator Support Fund: Woods II Incubator To agree to the financial and legal matters associated with any North East LEP decision to award a grant from the Incubator Support Fund application relating to the Woods II Incubator project.	Confidential LEP Technical Officer Group report Confidential LEP Investment Board report Confidential project business case and supporting documents Confidential project appraisal report	Ben McLaughlin Programme Support Officer 0191 3387446 ben.mclaughlin@nelop.co.uk	Private – the report will contain “exempt” information which falls within paragraph 3 of part 1 of schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972)
DD114 Economic Development and Regeneration NEW	9 September 2019	Non- Key	Monitoring Officer	Innovation Project Development Fund Centre for UK/Chinese Digital Business Development feasibility project To agree to the financial and legal matters associated with any North East LEP decision to award a grant from the Innovation Project Development Fund application relating to the Centre for UK/Chinese Digital Business Development feasibility project.	Confidential project business case and supporting documents Confidential project appraisal report	Ben McLaughlin Programme Support Officer 0191 3387446 ben.mclaughlin@nelop.co.uk	Private – the report will contain “exempt” information which falls within paragraph 3 of part 1 of schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972)

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Economic Development and Regeneration NEW	20 August 2019	Non- Key		<p>EZ Development Fund: Newcastle Airport Business Park Site A feasibility (Phase 1)</p> <p>To agree to the financial and legal matters associated with any North East LEP decision to award a grant from the EZ Development Fund (LGF) relating to the Newcastle Airport Business Park Site A feasibility (Phase 1) project.</p>	<p>Confidential project business case and supporting documents</p> <p>Confidential project appraisal report</p>	<p>Ben McLaughlin Programme Support Officer 0191 5615446 ben.mclaughlin@nelc.lep.co.uk</p>	<p>Private – the report will contain “exempt” information which falls within paragraph 3 of part 1 of schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972)</p>