



Cabinet

Date Wednesday 15 January 2025
Time 9.30 am
Venue Council Chamber, County Hall, Durham

Business

Part A

Items which are open to the public and press

1. Public Questions
2. Minutes of the meetings held on 4 December 2024 (Pages 5 - 14)
3. Declarations of interest, if any

Key Decisions:

4. Medium Term Financial Plan(15) 2025/26 - 2028/29 - Report of Corporate Director of Resources (**Key Decision: CORP/R/2025/001**) (Pages 15 - 62)
5. Proposal to Amalgamate Horndale County Infant and Nursery School with St Francis C of E (Aided) Junior School on 1 September 2025 to become a newly named all through C of E (Aided) Primary School - Report of Corporate Director of Children and Young People's Services (**Key Decision: CYP/2025/001**) (Pages 63 - 90)
6. Draft Council Plan 2025 - 2029 - Report of Chief Executive (**Key Decision: CORP/R/2025/003**) (Pages 91 - 180)
7. Strategic Place Plans: A Vision for Durham City and Wider Programme Roll Out - Report of Corporate Director of Regeneration, Economy and Growth (**Key Decision: REG/2025/004**) (Pages 181 - 198)

Ordinary Decisions:

8. Quarter Two, 2024/25 Performance Management Report - Report of Chief Executive (Pages 199 - 344)

9. County Durham Housing Strategy and Delivery Plan Adoption - Report of Corporate Director of Regeneration, Economy and Growth (Pages 345 - 512)
10. Inclusive Economic Strategy, Annual Review 2024 - Report of Corporate Director of Regeneration, Economy and Growth (Pages 513 - 620)
11. Continuous Improvement - Best Value and Corporate Peer Challenge Self Evaluation & Action Plan - Report of Chief Executive (Pages 621 - 636)
12. Mainstream Primary and Secondary Formula Funding 2025-26 - Joint report of Corporate Director of Children and Young People's Services and Corporate Director of Resources (Pages 637 - 664)
13. Such other business as, in the opinion of the Chair of the meeting, is of sufficient urgency to warrant consideration
14. Any resolution relating to the exclusion of the public during the discussion of items containing exempt information

Part B

Items during which it is considered the meeting will not be open to the public (consideration of exempt or confidential information)

Ordinary Decision:

15. Council Funded Advice and Guidance Review: Options Appraisal - Report of Corporate Director of Resources (Pages 665 - 742)
16. Such other business as, in the opinion of the Chair of the meeting, is of sufficient urgency to warrant consideration

Helen Bradley

Director of Legal and Democratic Services

County Hall
Durham
7 January 2025

To: **The Members of the Cabinet**

Councillors A Hopgood and R Bell (Leader and Deputy Leader of the Council), Councillors T Henderson, C Hood, S McDonnell, J Rowlandson, E Scott, A Shield, J Shuttleworth and M Wilkes

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