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A4	MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY 2018-19 to 2022-23	That the update to the Medium Term Financial Strategy for 2018/19 to 2022/23 be approved.
A5	DISCRETIONARY RATE RELIEF SCHEME	That the Discretionary Rate Relief Scheme, as set out in Appendix A of the report, be approved and that the Executive Director (Resources and Support Services) be granted delegated powers to grant the relief to individual businesses.
A6	BUSINESS RATES PILOT AND POOLING ARRANGEMENTS	<ul> <li>(i) That the Council participates in the Expression of Interest to form a Staffordshire and Stoke on Trent Pool based upon piloting the 100% Business Rates Scheme.</li> <li>(ii) That the Chief Executive and Section 151 Officer be authorised (in consultation with the Leader and Portfolio Holder for Finance IT and Customer) to submit a firm Expression of Interest to be a member of the Staffordshire and Stoke on Trent pool based upon piloting the 100% Business Rates Scheme.</li> </ul>
A7	NEWCASTLE MARKET OPTIONS	<ul> <li>(i) That the offer from Market Place Management be accepted.</li> <li>(ii) That officers be authorised to take all of the necessary steps, in consultation with the relevant Portfolio Holder(s) to execute the new market management arrangements at the earliest opportunity.</li> </ul>
A8	HOMELESSNESS REDUCTION ACT 2017	<ul> <li>(i) That the Homelessness Reduction Act (HRA) be noted and that the actions taken by officers to date and those proposed within the HRA Implementation Plan be endorsed.</li> <li>(ii) That the allocation of the two sources of grant funding from the Government – provided to tackle homelessness for the next two years to enable the new legislation to be</li> </ul>

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		<ul> <li>successfully implemented, be approved.</li> <li>(iii) That the Executive Director for Regeneration and Development, in consultation with the relevant Portfolio Holders, be authorised to consider and review any changes to the Implementation Plan and changes in processes at Newcastle Housing Advice as required to comply with the new Code of Guidance.</li> </ul>
A9	GOLD STANDARD FOR HOMELESSNESS	<ul> <li>(i) That any actions/recommendations from the Continuous Improvement Plan be considered prior to pursuing the challenges.</li> <li>(ii) That the Executive Director for Regeneration and Development, in consultation with the relevant Portfolio Holders, be authorised to consider and review the improvement plan as it is developed and implemented.</li> </ul>
A10	DELEGATION FOR NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING	That this item be deferred to the next meeting of the Cabinet to enable more information to be sought.