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A3	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS	That the Minutes of the meeting held on the 18 April, 2023 be agreed as a correct record.
A4	WALLEYS QUARRY UPDATE REPORT	That the contents of the update report be noted.
A5	YORK PLACE DEVELOPMENT - AWARD OF DEMOLITION CONTRACT	 (i) That the progress made on the York Place project, made through the Future High Street Fund grant funding, be noted. (ii) That, subject to planning permission the Deputy Chief Executive, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder, Finance, Town Centres and Growth, be authorised to enter into a contract to Willmott Dixon for the demolition of the existing York Place shopping complex.
A6	RYECROFT HOTEL - DESIGN & BUILD CONTRACT AND BRAND PROCUREMENT	 (i) That the progress with the site and feasibility work undertaken for a hotel on the Ryecroft site, which has confirmed that there is demand for a mid-range hotel in Newcastle Town Centre, be noted. (ii) That the Deputy Chief Executive, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Town Centres and Growth, be authorised to procure a brand for the hotel. (iii) That the Deputy Chief Executive, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Town Centres and Growth, be authorised to commence procurement of initial design costing works through a design and build approach to the selected hotel's brand specification for a new hotel on the Ryecroft site using a compliant procurement route. (iv) That further cabinet reports on each of these issues be received, to enable final decisions on the hotel development.
A7	CASTLE MULTI-STOREY CAR PARK CONTRACT AWARD	 That, subject to Planning permission, the Deputy Chief Executive in consultation with the Portfolio Holder, Finance, Town Centres and Growth be authorised to: enter into a contract with Morgan Sindall for the construction of the Castle multi-storey car

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		 park for a sum of no more than £12m, to commence in August 2023 enter into a contract with Morgan Sindall to carry out enabling and infrastructure works across the car park and wider Ryecroft site for a sum of no more than £1m, commence the associated process of Traffic Regulation Order consultation note the car parks that will be closed and disposed of for housing in accordance with an updated Asset Management Plan Strategy to be published in the Autumn of 2023. Complete all legal documentation to finalise land assembly.
A8	PROPOSAL TO CONSULT ON A FIRST DRAFT LOCAL PLAN	 (i) That the draft Local Plan be approved for consultation purposes. (ii) That the Deputy Chief Executive, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning, be given delegated authority to: (1) publish the First Draft Local Plan (Regulation 18) along with its Sustainability Appraisal and Habitats Regulations Assessment, for public consultation, and publish the range of supporting evidence base for the Local Plan and, (2) to finalise the public consultation arrangements and all documentation for the First Draft Local Plan (Regulation 18) (3) undertake any minor corrections and adjustments to the consultation documents as may be required (iii) That a period of eight weeks consultation commencing on the19th June 2023 until the 14th of August 2023, be approved on the First Draft Local Plan (Regulation 18) along with the Sustainability Appraisal and Habitats Regulations Assessment. (iv) That a report be received at a future meeting summarising the findings of the consultation process.

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		(v) That it be noted that this report will be considered at the Economy and Place Scrutiny Committee on the 8 th June 2023 and that an all Member Briefing Session will be provided on the 15 th June 2023.
A9	ADOPTION OF STAFFORDSHIRE ADAPTATION STRATEGY	 (i) That the Staffordshire Adaptation Strategy be formally adopted. (ii) The Council helps facilitate action contained within the Staffordshire Adaptation Strategy through its membership of the Staffordshire sustainability Board (SSB)
A10	FINANCIAL & PERFORMANCE REVIEW REPORT 4TH QUARTER 2022-23	That the contents of the attached report and appendices be noted, and that the Council's service and financial performance for this period continue to be monitored and challenged.
A11	FORWARD PLAN	That the Forward Plan be received.
A13	DISCLOSURE OF EXEMPT INFORMATION	That the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following matter because it is likely that there will be disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs contained within Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972.
A14	EXTERNAL IT RESOURCE CONTRACT	That the recommendations contained within the confidential report, be agreed.