

Newcastle under Lyme Borough Council – Decisions taken by the Cabinet on Tuesday, 16 July 2024

Agenda Item No	Topic	Decision
A3	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS	That the Minutes of the meeting held on the 4 June, 2024 be agreed as a correct record.
A4	WALLEYS QUARRY - ODOUR ISSUES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) That the contents of the update report be noted. (ii) That this Council call again for Central Government to announce a public inquiry into the handling of the Walleys Quarry issue by the Environment Agency over a long period.
A5	KIDSGROVE SHARED SERVICE HUB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) That the Deputy Chief Executive, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder Finance, Town Centres and Growth be authorised to apply for the relevant Coal Authority permit to enable ground investigations to proceed and to obtain such necessary insurances as are needed for the development to proceed. (ii) That the Deputy Chief Executive, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder Finance, Town Centres and Growth be authorised to proceed with ground investigations and remediation at the preferred site.
A6	BRAMPTON MUSEUM. APPLICATION TO THE NATIONAL LOTTERY HERITAGE FUND	That the museum's application to the National Lottery Heritage Fund be approved and the Deputy Chief Executive in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Leisure, Culture and Heritage be authorised to accept and utilise any funding allocated in line with the bid.
A7	KEELE SUSTAINABLE SOLAR ENERGY BUSINESS CASE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) That progress on the business case be welcomed. (ii) That Cabinet receive a further report, in due course about the range of options available to progress the project.

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A8	DELIVERY OF ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING THROUGH THE COUNTY COUNCIL'S LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTRIC VEHICLE INSTRUCTURE (LEVI) FUNDING	<p>(i) That the Council work with the County Council to deliver Electric Vehicle charging points utilising LEVI funding and County Council procurement of the EV Charge Point Operator (CPO).</p> <p>(ii) That the proposed sites for the EV charging points be noted and that these are taken forward for the LEVI soft market testing and if appropriate final installation.</p> <p>(iii) That the Deputy Chief Executive in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Town Centres and Growth be authorised to agree any necessary agreements to facilitate the delivery of the EV chargers and EV charger locations.</p>
A9	URBAN TREE PLANTING STRATEGY PHASE 6	<p>(i) That Phase 6 of the Urban Tree Planting Strategy be approved for consultation and implementation in winter 2024/25 (subject to consultation responses), and authorise the Service Director – Neighbourhood Delivery to seek and accept quotations for the work in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Sustainable Environment.</p> <p>(ii) That the Service Director – Neighbourhood Delivery be authorised to bid for and accept external grant funding and secure community donations (if offered) to contribute to the cost of the Urban Tree Planting Strategy and other related projects.</p> <p>(iii) That the expansion of the Urban Tree Planting Strategy to include rural tree planting schemes, be approved.</p>

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		<p>(iv) That ward members in the rural areas of the Borough be invited to propose potential sites for tree planting on Borough Council land in their wards.</p> <p>(v) That up to two rural sites be included in this phase of planting, subject to consultation with the relevant community and agreement with the Portfolio Holder for Sustainable Environment.</p> <p>(vi) That designation of appropriate tree planting sites as Carbon Capture Areas in the emerging Local Plan, be authorised.</p>
A10	LOCAL NATURE RECOVERY STRATEGY	<p>(i) That member endorsement of the LNRS work, and the forthcoming public engagement consultation, be sought.</p> <p>(ii) That a Council and members commitment to supporting the development of the LNRS by engaging appropriate resources, be supported.</p>
A11	PRODUCTIVITY PLAN 2024-25	That the Productivity Plan for publication on the Council’s website and for submission to the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities by July 19 th 2024, be approved.
A12	PROCUREMENT OF CONTACT CENTRE TELEPHONY	That the procurement and award of a 5-year contract for contact centre and corporate communication solution, delegating authority to enter into a contract to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Portfolio Holder – One Council, People & Partnerships, be approved.
A13	AWARD OF SHORT FORM SERVICES CONTRACTS TO A CONSORTIUM OF ARCHITECTURAL SERVICE	That the Deputy Chief Executive in consultation with the portfolio holder for Community Safety and Wellbeing be given delegated authority to award short form service contracts to a consortium of carefully selected service providers to provide architectural services in relation to significant adaptations or extensions of dwellings to support the DFG process.

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A14	FORWARD PLAN	That the Forward Plan be received and noted.
A16	DISCLOSURE OF EXEMPT INFORMATION	That the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration if 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.
A17	KEELE SUSTAINABLE SOLAR ENERGY BUSINESS CASE	That the confidential documents be received and noted.