

**Newcastle under Lyme Borough Council – Decisions taken by the Cabinet on Tuesday, 8 July 2025**

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**Part A – Items considered in public**

<b>A3</b>	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS	That the Minutes of the meeting held on the 3 June, 2025 be agreed as a correct record.
<b>A4</b>	WALLEYS QUARRY ODOUR ISSUES	That the update report be received.
<b>A5</b>	CIVIC PRIDE (EMPOWERING OUR COMMUNITIES) STRATEGY 2025/28	<p>(i) That the draft Civic Pride (Empowering Our Communities) Strategy 2025 – 28 be approved for consultation and adoption</p> <p>(ii) That the draft strategy be referred to the Scrutiny Committees (Health, Wellbeing and Environment, Economy and Place, and Finance, Assets and Performance) for consideration and comment</p>
<b>A6</b>	NEWCASTLE COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP - COMMUNITY SAFETY ACTION PLAN 2025/26	<p>(i) That the report and be received and the successful outcomes achieved in reducing crime and anti-social behaviour, as well as the work in progress to continue to tackle the strategic priorities, be noted.</p> <p>(ii) That the updated Local Crime and Police Plan in line with the Strategic Assessment priorities for 2025/26 be received and endorsed</p> <p>(iii) That the report be referred to the Health, Wellbeing and Environment Scrutiny Committee for consideration.</p>
<b>A7</b>	LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION	<p>(i) That the receipt of Government feedback in relation to the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent submissions of Interim Plans for Local Government Reorganisation, be noted.</p> <p>(ii) That it be noted that the Council will now further engage with Government and Staffordshire Leaders through a meeting separate to the Staffordshire Leaders Board.</p> <p>(iii) That it be delegated to the Chief Executive and Section 151 Officer, in consultation with the Leader of the Council and the Portfolio Holder, Finance, Town Centres &amp; Growth, to engage the necessary support for the work on the local government reorganisation, noting that the borough is not yet in receipt of funding from Government to partially offset any costs accrued and that the Council continues to seek a fair allocation of this</p>

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		funding. (iv) That £200k to be transferred from the Business Rates Reserve to the Budget Support and Borrowing Fund in order to fund the work needed to submit the Council's final Local Government Reorganisation Plan. (v) That Newcastle-Under-Lyme's Members of Parliament be called upon to support the Borough's resolutions as set out in the report to full Council of 19 <sup>th</sup> March 2025, and that they engage with Government Ministers in stating the case for the Borough.
<b>A8</b>	PET CREMATION OUTLINE BUSINESS CASE	(i) That the business case for option three (one cremator with chamber) to expand Newcastle-under-Lyme Borough Council's commercial portfolio to include the provision of pet cremations at Bradwell Crematorium, be approved. (ii) That the expanded and award-winning service already offered by the Council be noted and continue the personalised approach. (iii) That that the Deputy Chief Executive in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Sustainable Environment progresses with all necessary planning and regulatory applications. (iv) That a further report on the final business proposals be received to ensure the procurement of the service meets all regulatory requirements and service expectations. (v) That the virement of funding within the capital programme, be authorised.
<b>A9</b>	FORWARD PLAN	That the Forward Plan be received and noted.
<b>A11</b>	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.
<b>A12</b>	PET CREMATION OUTLINE BUSINESS CASE	That the recommendations as set out in the confidential report, be agreed.