



Cabinet Forward Plan: Newcastle under Lyme Borough Council

Notice of Key Decisions to be taken under the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings & Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 between 1 January 2026 and 30 April 2026

This plan gives notice of decisions that [Cabinet](#) is expecting to take over the next few months. It also gives, except in cases of urgency, at least 28 days notice of all "Key Decisions" that will be taken "Key Decisions" are decisions about "executive" functions that will:-

- A) result in the Council incurring expenditure or making savings of an amount which is significant having regard to the Council's budget for the service or the function to which the decision relates. (NB: The financial threshold above which expenditure or savings become significant has been set by the Council at £100,000 Revenue and £250,000 Capital Expenditure); and/or
- B) be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards of the Borough.

We have to take some Cabinet decisions in private because they deal with confidential or "exempt" information. That is information described in one or more of the following categories set out in Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

1. Information relating to any individual
2. Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual
3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).
4. Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under the authority
5. Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.
6. Information which reveals an authority proposes;

- a. to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or
- b. to make an order or direction under any enactment

7. Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of a crime

If we intend to take a decision in private, we will tell you why in the plan below. If you disagree with our reasons, you can tell us why using the contact details below. We will respond to you directly and will publish our response in the meeting agenda. If we have published the meeting agenda before we can respond, we will respond verbally at the meeting and record the response in the minutes.

You can find more information about Cabinet, Cabinet Members and their portfolios, agendas, reports and minutes [here](#).

More information on Cabinet procedures, executive functions, Key Decisions, urgent decisions and access to information is available in our [Constitution](#).

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Report Title	Description	Portfolio	Intended Decision Taker and Date	Overview & Scrutiny Committee	Wards Affected	Reason for Determining in Private Session (if Applicable)	Key Decision
Revenue and Capital Strategies 2026/27	To consider a report on the Revenue and Capital Strategies 2026/27	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Finance, Town Centres and Growth	Cabinet 13 January 2026	Finance, Assets and Performance	All Wards	N/A	No
Borough Tree Planting Strategy (Phase 7) and update on protecting Green Spaces	To consider a report on Phase 7 Borough Tree Planting Strategy and an update on protecting Borough green spaces	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Sustainable Environment	Cabinet 13 January 2026	Health, Wellbeing and Environment	All Wards	N/A	No

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Civic Pride Strategy - Annual Review	To consider a report on the first year of Civic Pride delivery, strategy and investment	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - One Council, People and Partnerships, Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Community Safety and Wellbeing, Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Sustainable Environment	Cabinet 13 January 2026	Health, Wellbeing and Environment	All Wards	N/A	No
Schedule of Fees and Charges 2026/27	To consider a report on the Schedule of Fees and Charges 2026/27	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Finance, Town Centres and Growth	Cabinet 13 January 2026	Finance, Assets and Performance	All Wards	3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)	No
Update on the Progress of the Council's Sustainable Environment Strategy and Delivery Plan	To consider a report updating on the Progress of the Council's Sustainable Environment Strategy and Delivery Plan	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Sustainable Environment	Cabinet 13 January 2026	Health, Wellbeing and Environment	All Wards	N/A	No

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Financial Wellbeing and Debt Advice Service	To consider a report on Financial Wellbeing and Debt Advice Service	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Community Safety and Wellbeing	Cabinet 13 January 2026	Health, Wellbeing and Environment	All Wards	N/A	Yes
Recycling and Waste Services Operational Staff Structure Development	To consider a report on Recycling and Waste Services Operational Staff Structure Development	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Sustainable Environment	Cabinet 13 January 2026	Health, Wellbeing and Environment	All Wards	N/A	Yes
Support for Staffordshire Local Nature Recovery Strategy	To consider a report on the Support for Staffordshire Local Nature Recovery Strategy	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - One Council, People and Partnerships Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Sustainable Environment,	Cabinet 13 January 2026	Health, Wellbeing and Environment	All Wards	N/A	No
Local Elections Update	To consider a report on Planned Local Elections	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - One Council, People and Partnerships	Cabinet 13 January 2026	Finance, Assets and Performance	All Wards	N/A	Yes
Walleyes Quarry Odour update	To consider a report on the Walleyes Quarry odour update	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - One Council, People and Partnerships	Cabinet 13 January 2026	Health, Wellbeing and Environment	All Wards	N/A	No
Local Government	To consider a report on developments in	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - One	Cabinet 3 February 2026	Finance, Assets and Performance	All Wards	N/A	Yes

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Reorganisation Update	respect of Local Government Reorganisation	Council, People and Partnerships					
Quarter three Finance and Performance Report 2025/26	To consider a report on the Quarter three Finance and Performance Report 2025/26	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - One Council, People and Partnerships	Cabinet 3 February 2026	Finance, Assets and Performance	All Wards	N/A	No
Approval for Award of contract for H&S Monitoring	To consider a report for the approval for award of contract for H&S Monitoring	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Sustainable Environment	Cabinet 3 February 2026	Finance, Assets and Performance, Health, Wellbeing and Environment	All Wards	N/A	Yes
Revenue and Capital Strategies 2026/27	To consider a report on the Revenue and Capital Strategies 2026/27	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Finance, Town Centres and Growth	Cabinet 3 February 2026	Finance, Assets and Performance	All Wards	N/A	No
Walleyes Quarry Odour Update	To consider a report on the Walleyes Quarry Odour Update	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - One Council, People and Partnerships	Cabinet 3 February 2026	Health, Wellbeing and Environment	All Wards	N/A	No
Irrecoverable Items 2025/26	To consider a report on Irrecoverable Items 2025/26	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - Finance, Town Centres and Growth	Cabinet 17 March 2026	Finance, Assets and Performance	All Wards	3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular	Yes

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						person (including the authority holding that information)	
Walleys Quarry Odour Update	To consider a report on odour issues at Walleys Quarry	Cabinet Portfolio Holder - One Council, People and Partnerships	Cabinet 17 March 2026	Health, Wellbeing and Environment	All Wards	N/A	No