

## **Regulatory Committee's Chairs' reports**

### **Audit and Standards Committee**

The Committee met on 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2026.

The following items were considered:

INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT - Q1 2026-27

CORPORATE RISK MANAGEMENT REPORT - Q1 2026-27

HEALTH & SAFETY ANNUAL REPORT 2025-26

CODE OF CONDUCT AND STANDARDS REPORT

The committee considered a report recommending updating the arrangements for dealing with Standards complaints and agreed to recommend those to Council for approval. The recommended arrangements are attached as Appendix One to this report. The Committee also appointed three members to sit as the Hearing Panel should this be required after an investigation into Code of Conduct complaints.

#### **Recommendation**

Council is asked to approve the attached Arrangements for Dealing with Complaints under the Code of Conduct for members.

WORK PROGRAMME

Cllr Glenn Tift  
Chair

### **Planning Committee**

The Planning Committee has met twice since the last full Council meeting:- 21st July and the 18<sup>th</sup> August.

The following items were considered:

- APPLICATION FOR MAJOR DEVELOPMENT - BALDWIN'S GATE FARM, NEWCASTLE ROAD, BALDWIN'S GATE. MR CHRIS O'HANLON, BELLWAY HOMES LIMITED. 26/00447/FUL (Refused)
- APPLICATION FOR MAJOR DEVELOPMENT - BALDWIN'S GATE FARM, NEWCASTLE ROAD, BALDWIN'S GATE. MR CHRIS O'HANLON, BELLWAY HOMES LIMITED. 25/00931/FUL (Refused)
- APPLICATION FOR MAJOR DEVELOPMENT - BALDWIN'S GATE FARM, NEWCASTLE ROAD, BALDWIN'S GATE, NEWCASTLE. ST5 5ES. MR CHRIS O'HANLON. BELLWAY HOMES LTD. 26/00052/FUL (Refused)
- APPLICATION FOR MINOR DEVELOPMENT - BRADWELL CREMATORIUM, CHATTERLEY CLOSE, BRADWELL. NEWCASTLE BOROUGH COUNCIL. 26/00422/DEEM3 (Approved)
- APPLICATION FOR MAJOR DEVELOPMENT - TADGEDALE QUARRY. WAIN HOMES NORTH WEST. 24/00589/FUL (Approved)
- APPLICATION FOR MAJOR DEVELOPMENT - LAND OFF BAR HILL ROAD ONNELEY. OWL HOMES LIMITED. 25/00897/REM (Approved)
- APPLICATION FOR OTHER DEVELOPMENT - 25-27 WELL ST & 82 GARDEN ST, NEWCASTLE. MARSHALLSAY. 26/00051/COU (Refused)
- FIVE-YEAR HOUSING LAND SUPPLY UPDATE REPORT 2026-31 (Approved)

Cllr Christopher Saxton  
Chair

### **Licensing and Public Protection Committee**

#### **The committee met on 25th August 2026**

The following **Licensing** report was considered:

#### **Martyn's Law Update**

- Consideration was given to a report updating Members on the progress of the Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act, 2025 – commonly known as 'Martyn's Law' and the implications it could have on premises and events within the Borough – and nationally.

Minutes from the meeting held on 15th July 26 were agreed to be correct as recorded.

The following **Public Protection** reports were considered:

### Air Quality Action Plan

- Consideration was given to a report regarding the Air Quality Action Plan for 2026-2030 which had been prepared in accordance with the Council's statutory duties under the Local Air Quality Management framework.
- The report was approved and that comments made be received as part of the consultation for the document.
- It was approved that officers commence the 28 day public consultation with delegated authority to the Chair and Portfolio Holder to approve submission to the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) following consultation.
- It be noted members will receive a final copy of the Action Plan in due course for information, following approval by Defra.

### Air Quality Annual Status Report

- Consideration was given to a report updating Members on the latest air quality data for Newcastle and summarising the Annual Air Quality Status Report.
- The 2026 Air Quality Annual Status Report was received and noted and that it be submitted to the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra).

Minutes from the meetings held on 1 July and 7th July, 26 were agreed to be correct as recorded.

Cllr Simon Kasperowicz  
Chair