

**At a meeting of the SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE held in the CIVIC CENTRE on TUESDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2010 at 5.30 p.m.**

**Present:-**

Councillor S. Watson in the Chair

Councillors M. Dixon, Ellis, Foster, Rolph, J. Scott, L. Walton and Wilson.

**Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were submitted to the meeting on behalf of Councillors Chamberlin, Errington, J. Scott and Wares.

**Minutes of the Last Meeting of the Sustainable Communities Scrutiny Committee held on 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2010**

1. RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2010 be confirmed as a correct record.

**Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest made.

**Performance Report Quarter 3 (April – December 2009)**

The Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report (copy circulated) which provided the Committee with a performance update relating to the period April to December 2009 including:-

- progress in relation to the LAA targets and other national indicators;
- progress in relation to the place to play policy review recommendations;
- the results of the annual budget consultation undertaken during October/ November 2009 in so far as it related to the Committee's remit.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Gillian Robinson, Corporate Performance Monitoring Manager, together with Paul Allen, Research and Performance Management Officer, presented the report and with regard to other performance activity, advised that the net additional homes

figure was 339, improving from 299 during 2008/09. The target of 90 had already been achieved. Homelessness performance continued to improve as the level of prevention increased (752 cases from 675). Homelessness acceptances had reduced from 217 to 166 with the number of households in temporary accommodation reducing from 11 to 6.

With regard to the Policy Review Recommendations, Ms. Robinson informed the Committee that as part of the development of Scrutiny, particularly in terms of strengthening performance management arrangements, the recommendations had been incorporated into the quarterly performance report on a pilot basis. Of the 20 actions arising from the 'A Place to Play' policy review, one had already been achieved, 13 were on schedule and 6 were not on schedule. The actions not currently on schedule related to the review of the Music Strategy and identification of funding to develop a music directory.

Councillor Rolph stated that when you drill down into the statistics, they did not tell the whole story, for example, the figure for net additional homes did not indicate how many had been demolished and how many had been brought back into use. She offered her congratulations in respect of the decrease in the number of households in temporary accommodation. With regard to the ARCH system she stated that there had been no training provided for Elected Members and asked if the definition of hate crime included stalking. With regard to the 'Prevent Agenda' she stated that as a representative of the Coalfield Area she had attended a Metropolitan Police workshop on the matter. It had highlighted that of particular concern in the North East, had been the growth of the far right and animal rights activists. She asked if the Council's work was taking this into account.

Ms. Robinson advised that stalking was included in the definition of 'hate crime' and the Prevent Action Plan did pick up on the rise of the far right and animal rights activism.

Alan Caddick, Head of Housing, advised that there was 80% / 20% split between homes brought back into use and demolition. With regard to the Areas he advised that the service had its own area profiles which could be drilled down to neighbourhood level.

With regard to an enquiry from Councillor M. Dixon with regard to empty property hotspots, Mr. Caddick advised that they tended to centre on Hendon (hence the selective licensing), Millfield and the City Centre.

The Chairman having thanked Ms. Robinson, Mr. Allen and Mr. Caddick for their attendance it was:-

2. RESOLVED that the report be received and noted.

## **Annual Report**

The Chief Executive submitted a report (copy circulated) which presented the Sustainable Communities Scrutiny Committee Annual Report for approval as part of the overall Scrutiny Annual Report 2009/10 for submission to Council.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Councillor Rolph having suggested the inclusion of the Committee's discussion of the built environment's heritage, it was:-

3. RESOLVED that approval be given to the Annual Report for inclusion in the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2009/10.

### **Policy and Development Review 2009/10: Draft Final Report**

The Chief Executive submitted a report (copy circulated) which provided Members with the final draft report from the evidence gathered in relation to the Committee's Policy Review on Access to Social Housing in Sunderland.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Councillor Rolph advised that she had supplied a list of minor amendments and had requested that recommendation (b) was strengthened.

Alan Caddick advised that his role on the back of the review would be to take forward the recommendations and he assured Members that he would do his utmost to ensure that they were delivered. He thanked the Committee for instigating the review and for raising the profile of the issue. He informed Members that there would be clear timescales for action with regard to the recommendations and he would not allow the report to be left lying on the shelf.

4. RESOLVED that the draft final report of the Committee's Policy Development and Review into the issue of access to social housing in Sunderland be approved for presentation to Cabinet at its June 2010 meeting.

### **Policy and Development Review 2009/10: Draft Final Report**

The Chief Executive submitted a report (copy circulated) which provided Members with the final draft report from the evidence gathered in relation to the Committee's Mini Policy Review into Local Studies.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Helen Lancaster, Acting Scrutiny Officer, presented the report which detailed the evidence, research and conclusions drawn throughout the review process and recommendations arising from the evidence gathering.

5. RESOLVED that the draft final report of the Committee's Mini Policy Review into Local Studies be approved for presentation to Cabinet at its June 2010 meeting.

### **Forward Plan – Key Decisions for the Period 1<sup>st</sup> May – 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2010**

The Chief Executive submitted a report (copy circulated) to provide Members with an opportunity to consider those items on the Executive's Forward Plan for the period

1<sup>st</sup> May – 31<sup>st</sup> August which related to the Sustainable Communities Scrutiny Committee.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Councillor Rolph referred to item 01400 'To agree improving access to Social Housing'. She expressed concern that this was the first time the item had appeared on the Forward Plan, yet it was being scheduled for consideration by Cabinet on 9<sup>th</sup> June, 2010 and thereby denying the Committee prior sight of the report. This was not the first time an item had appeared in this fashion and it was clear the reporting mechanism of the Forward Plan was not operating as it should with regard to the scrutiny committees.

6. RESOLVED that the Forward Plan be received and noted.

### **Work Programme 2009/10**

The Chief Executive submitted a report (copy circulated) to consider the current Work Programme for the 2009/10 Council Year.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Helen Lancaster, Acting Scrutiny Officer, presented the report and advised that any outstanding items would be carried forward onto the Work Programme for the new municipal year.

7. RESOLVED that the contents of the report be received and noted.

The Chairman then closed the meeting having thanked Members and Officers for their attendance.

(Signed) S. WATSON,  
Chairman.

## ANNUAL WORK PROGRAMME AND POLICY REVIEW 2010-11

### REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

#### 1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 For Members to determine the Annual Work Programme for the Scrutiny Committee during 2010-11, including the main theme for a detailed policy review.

#### 2. Background

- 2.1 The Scrutiny Committee is responsible for setting its own work programme within the following scope:

*General Scope: To consider issues relating to sustainability and key city projects, and maintain an overview of each of the Sunderland Partnership's cross cutting priorities.*

*Remit: Sustainability, Creating Inclusive Communities, Housing, Housing Strategy, Private Housing, Housing Associations, Major Projects, Culture, Art Development, Museums, Heritage.*

- 2.2 The Council's Scrutiny Committees are aligned to the relevant priorities of the Sustainable Community Strategy – the Sunderland Strategy. This allows each Scrutiny Committee to focus on the priority areas and targets in the Sunderland Strategy and Local Area Agreement (LAA) and for the work of all Scrutiny Committees to consistently address those areas of performance requiring detailed examination.
- 2.3 This approach allows a clear themed focus on the outcomes for the people of Sunderland, and allows for cross-cutting examination of issues, with potential for linking areas of knowledge and expertise that would not ordinarily be brought together, so increasing the likelihood of the committees identifying novel approaches and solutions to the issues they consider.
- 2.4 The most relevant Sunderland Strategy priority for this committee is:
- To ensure that Sunderland becomes a clean, green city with a strong culture of sustainability, protecting and nurturing both its built heritage and future development and ensuring that both the built and natural environments will be welcoming, accessible, attractive and of high quality.*

2.5 All Scrutiny Committees will take a role in the scrutiny of partnership and area issues and have a role in engaging with partners, external scrutiny, community and public engagement, and engaging with media and area scrutiny.

### 3. Policy Review

3.1 Policy review is the process of maintaining an overview of council policies and will usually examine whether the Council and its partners intended policy outcomes have been achieved. The process will also explore issues such as the service user’s perspective.

3.2 Policy reviews are project planned with appropriate methodology applied to investigate the chosen topic. This may include meetings, site visits, surveys, public meetings or analysis of comparative practice in other local authorities.

3.3 Previous reviews carried out by this Scrutiny Committee have included. All previous reviews are available at <http://cityweb/directorates/chief-executive/scrutiny/scrutinyhome.shtm>

3.3 Following the selection of a topic for review, the Committee will receive a report setting out a possible approach to the review. This will include the terms of reference, definitions, links to corporate goals, partnerships, the national and local context, and proposals for gathering evidence.

3.4 The shortlist of topics for 2010-11 is listed below. The Committee is recommended to select one topic from this shortlist for an in depth review. The list includes all topics suggested by Members from the discussions held at the Scrutiny Conference on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2010.

<b>Policy Review Proposals</b>	
Low carbon economy	To investigate the local approach to the Green agenda and explore how well sustainability is embedded within the Council and the Sustainable Community Strategy. To examine the measures being taken by our partners in order to identify and share best practice.
City Heritage	To investigate the city’s heritage and explore ways to protect it. To ensure proper stewardship of the city’s diverse historic environment and consider what measures can be taken to protect our built environment and heritage. To monitor progress on the city’s world heritage bid.
Accessibility of Leisure and Sports Facilities	To review the level of service provision for people using Council leisure facilities. To consider how far these facilities are fully accessible to everyone regardless of age, gender, faith, ability and social and economic

	deprivation.
Sustainability of the City Centre	To investigate the level of sustainability of the city centre and the measures that would contribute to its long term sustainability including employment opportunities, environmental improvements and attractive housing.
Art and Culture	To investigate ways in which art and culture can attract visitors to the city and contribute in securing the sustainable development of the city.
Availability of Mortgages	To review the current availability of mortgages to residents in the city and explore the potential of new ways for people to access funding.
Empty Property	To examine the work being undertaken to reduce the number of empty properties in the city and bring long term empty properties back into use. To consider what action is being taken to ensure that early intervention prevents empty properties causing problems in neighbourhoods.
Sustainable Communities	To explore the features of a sustainable community and investigate what progress is being made to become a sustainable community. How can we ensure that our communities are mixed, safe, socially inclusive and sensitive to the local environment.
Play and Urban Games Strategy	To review the implementation of previous work of the former Culture and Leisure Review Committee on the Play and Urban Games Strategy 2007-2012. To monitor and review progress on the Strategy and consider future directions

#### **4. Work Programme**

- 4.1 A draft work programme for 2010-11 with items already scheduled is attached as Appendix A.
- 4.2 The work programme can be amended during the year and any Member of the Committee can add an item of business to an agenda (See Protocol 1 Overview & Scrutiny Handbook).

#### **5. Conclusion & Recommendation**

5.1 The Committee is asked to :

- (a) Consider the draft Annual Work Programme for 2010-11 and indicate any additions or amendments
- (b) Consider the list of suggestions for policy review and determine one topic for review.

5.2 Subject to any amendment at this meeting, the work programme will be submitted to the Management Scrutiny Committee in its coordinating role.

**6. Background Papers**

None

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	JUNE 15.06.10	JULY 13.07.10	SEPTEMBER 21.09.10	OCTOBER 19.10.10	NOVEMBER 16.11.10	DECEMBER 14.12.10	JANUARY 18.01.11	FEBRUARY 15.02.11	MARCH 15.03.11	APRIL 12.04.11
<b>Policy Review</b>	Proposals for policy review (Scrutiny Officer)	Scope of review (Scrutiny Officer)	Approach to review (Scrutiny Officer)	Progress on Review (Scrutiny Officer)	Progress on Review (Scrutiny Officer)	Progress on Review (Scrutiny Officer)	Progress on Review (Scrutiny Officer)	Progress on Review (Scrutiny Officer)	Draft report (Scrutiny Officer)	Final Report
<b>Scrutiny</b>		Empire Theatre Annual Report  Weather and Climate Risk Management Strategy (Neil Cole)						Annual Sport and Leisure Report (RL)		Annual Report (Review Coord)
<b>Scrutiny (Performance)</b>			Performance & VfM Assessment  Progress on Policy Review 08/09 – A Place to Play		Heritage Update (Jane Hall)		Performance Framework Q2 including Progress on policy reviews			Performance Framework Q3 including progress on policy reviews
<b>Ref Cabinet</b>		Cabinet Response to the Policy Review Access to Housing								

<b>Committee business</b>	Work Programme 2010/11 (Review Coord)  Forward Plan	Work Programme 2010/11 (Review Coord)  Forward Plan	Work Programme 2010/11 (Review Coord)  Forward Plan	Work Programme 2010/11 (Review Coord)  Forward Plan	Work Programme 2010/11 (Review Coord)  Forward Plan	Work Programme 2010/11 (Review Coord)  Forward Plan	Work Programme 2010/11 (Review Coord)  Forward Plan	Work Programme 2010/11 (Review Coord)  Forward Plan	Work Programme 2010/11 (Review Coord)  Forward Plan	Work Programme 2010/11 (Review Coord)  Forward Plan
<b>CCFA/ Members items/Petitions</b>										
<b>Information</b>										

# SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

## REQUEST TO ATTEND SEMINAR – CENTRE FOR PUBLIC SCRUTINY 8<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION

REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

15 JUNE 2010

### 1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 For the Committee to consider nominating a delegate to the Centre for Public Scrutiny's 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference and Exhibition to be held on 30 June – 1 July 2010.

### 2. Background

- 2.1 The Council's Overview and Scrutiny Handbook contains a protocol for use of the Scrutiny Committees budget by members to attend training and conferences relevant to the remit of the Committee.

### 3. Conference Details

- 3.1 An invitation has been received from the Centre of Public Scrutiny with regard to its 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference and Exhibition to be held **30 June – 1 July 2010, at The Brewery, London.**

- 3.2 The theme for this two day conference will be future accountability and transparency in public services.

- 3.3 Day one will cover regaining public trust, tackling inequalities and addressing how to sustain outcomes from accountability in hard financial times. There will also be a debate on how accountability can create opportunities for the public to shape the delivery of local services, for example, through the Total Place initiative.

On day two, a member development programme will offer councillors and other non-executive members an opportunity to network and discuss current issues. Themes will include questioning and chairing skills, skills needed to evaluate evidence and the role of politics in the scrutiny process.

- 3.4 The cost of the conference is £359 + VAT per delegate which includes attendance at both days, dinner and refreshment.

- 3.5 It is suggested that the Committee consider nominating one member to attend the Conference.

### 4. Recommendation

4.1 The Committee is asked to consider the attendance of a members to the above conference, to be accompanied by the Head of Overview and Scrutiny, to be funded from the budget of the Scrutiny Committee.

5. **Background Papers**

None

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# **SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

## **FORWARD PLAN – KEY DECISIONS FOR THE PERIOD 1 JUNE – 30 SEPTEMBER 2010**

**REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

**15 JUNE 2010**

### **1. Purpose of the Report**

- 1.1 To provide Members with an opportunity to consider those items on the Executive's Forward Plan for the period 1 June – 30 September 2010.

### **2. Background Information**

- 2.1 Holding the Executive to account is one of the main functions of Scrutiny. One of the ways that this can be achieved is by considering the forthcoming decisions of the Executive (as outlined in the Forward Plan) and deciding whether Scrutiny can add value in advance of the decision being made. This does not negate Non-Executive Members ability to call-in a decision after it has been made.
- 2.3 To this end, it has been agreed that, on a pilot basis, the most recent version of the Executive's Forward Plan should be included on the agenda of each of the Council's Scrutiny Committees. The Forward Plan for the period 1 June – 30 September 2010 is attached marked **Appendix 1**.

### **3. Current Position**

- 3.1 Following member's comments on the suitability of the Forward Plan being presented in its entirety to each committee it should be noted that only issues relating to the specific remit of the Sustainable Communities Scrutiny Committee are presented for information and comment. Due to agenda and publication deadlines a revised copy of this information will be circulated at the meeting reflecting any amendments.
- 3.2 For members information the remit of the Sustainable Communities Scrutiny Committee is as follows:-
- Major Projects; Sustainability overview; Creating Inclusive Communities overview; Housing overview; Housing Strategy; Private Housing; Housing Associations; Culture overview; Art Development; Museums; and Heritage.
- 3.3 In the event of Members having any queries that cannot be dealt with directly in the meeting, a response will be sought from the relevant Directorate.

### **4. Recommendations**

4.1 To consider the Executive's Forward Plan for the period 1 June – 30 September 2010.

**5. Background Papers**  
None

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**Forward Plan -  
Key Decisions for  
the period  
01/Jun/2009 to  
30/Sep/2009**



**R.C. Rayner,  
City Solicitor,  
Sunderland City  
Council.**

**14<sup>th</sup> May, 2009**

## Forward Plan: Key Decisions from - 01/Jun/2009 to 30/Sep/2009

No.	Description of Decision	Decision Taker	Anticipated Date of Decision	Principal Consultees	Means of Consultation	When and how to make Representation	Documents to be considered	Contact Officer	Tel No
01224	To approve the Single Programme Investment Plan for Sunderland 2009/11	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	City Treasurer, Sunderland arc	Meetings, e mail	In writing to the Contact Officer by 20th May 2009	Draft Single Programme Investment Plan for Sunderland 2009/11	Gordon Bell	5611155
01110	To adopt the Sunderland Partnership Compact	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	Organisations of the Sunderland Partnership; Community Development Strategy Group; Council Directorates; EMT; Policy & Co-ordination Review Cttee; Culture & Leisure Portfolio Holder	Report; Briefings; Meetings	In writing to the Contact Officer by 20th May 2009	Report	Jane Hibberd	5614587
01134	To consider the outcome of exhibitions and consultation on parking management schemes for the Royal Hospital and Stadium of Light	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	Ward Members, residents in the vicinity of the Royal Hospital and Stadium of Light	Public Exhibition and meetings	At exhibition or return slip in the exhibition invitation letter by 20th May 2009.	Cabinet reports	Allan Calvert	5611520

## Forward Plan: Key Decisions from - 01/Jun/2009 to 30/Sep/2009

No.	Description of Decision	Decision Taker	Anticipated Date of Decision	Principal Consultees	Means of Consultation	When and how to make Representation	Documents to be considered	Contact Officer	Tel No
01252	To recommend Council to agree the final Children and Young People's Plan 2009-2010.	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	Children's Trust, CTSP, Children's Services Review Committee	Meetings to agree actions, consultation meetings	In writing to the Contact Officer by 20th May 2009	CYPP 07-09, DCSF Guidance	John Markall	5661836
01109	To agree detailed actions arising out of the Sunderland Partnership Community Development Plan.	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	Organisations of the Sunderland Partnership; Community Development Strategy Group; Council Directorates; EMT; Policy & Co-ordination Review Cttee; Culture & Leisure Portfolio Holder	Reports; Briefings; Meetings	In writing to the Contact Officer by 20th May 2009	Report	Jane Hibberd	5614587
01189	To consider a request from Gentoo to amend its borrowing powers.	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	City Treasurer	correspondence	In writing to the Contact Officer by 20th May 2009	Cabinet Report	Bob Rayner	5611001



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01196	To agree to the grant of a lease in the Port of Sunderland to Sunrise Renewables which includes a rent concession.	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	City Treasurer, City Solicitor	memo, email, meetings	In writing to the Contact Officer by 20th May 2009	Cabinet report	Nick Wood	5612631
01218	To recommend Council to adopt the Food Law Enforcement Service Plan 2009/10 in respect of Environmental Health and Trading Standards.	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	Member with Portfolio for Housing and Public Health	Briefing Session	In writing to the Director of Community and Cultural Services by the 20th May 2009	Report and Plan	Norma Johnston	5611973
01225	To approve Local Area Plans for the East, West, Washington, Coalfields and North areas of the city.	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	Members, LSP partners, Community and Voluntary Sector Organisations, Area Forums, Older Peoples forums, Youth Peoples Forums, Residents	Area Workshops, events and roadshows in all 5 strategic planning areas, events/ displays in all 25 wards, Website and questionnaires	In writing to the Contact Officer by 20th May 2009	Cabinet Report and 5 Local Area Plans	Allison Patterson	5611474

## Forward Plan: Key Decisions from - 01/Jun/2009 to 30/Sep/2009

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01229	To consider the recommendations of the Children's Services Review Committee following a review of young people and alcohol	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	Children's Services, Safer Communities Team, Police, Licensing	Evidence at Working Group meetings.	In writing to the Contact Officer by 20th May 2009	Working Group evidence sessions	Karen Brown	5611004
01247	To consider Gentoo's request in respect of acquisition of Land at Southwick	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	Director of Childrens Services, City Solicitor City Treasurer	Meetings and emails	In writing to the Contact Officer by 20th May 2009	Report	Nick Wood	5612631
01255	To agree Major Scheme Business Case for the Sunderland Strategic Transport Corridor Phase 3	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	City Treasurer, City Solicitor	Meetings, emails	In writing to the Contact Officer by 20th May 2009	Report	Bob Donaldson	5611517

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No.	Description of Decision	Decision Taker	Anticipated Date of Decision	Principal Consultees	Means of Consultation	When and how to make Representation	Documents to be considered	Contact Officer	Tel No
01253	To recommend council to approve the Youth Justice Plan for 2009/10	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	Youth Offending Service Board	Meetings of the Youth Offending Service Board	In writing to the Contact Officer by 20th May 2009	YJB guidance, Sunderland Strategy, CIP, CYPP, Safer Sunderland Strategy, LAA	Guy Kirk	5663000
01257	To approve the procurement of replacement specialist grass cutting and horticultural equipment.	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	Corporate Procurement; City Treasurer; Member with Portfolio for Neighbourhood and Street Services	Report; Briefings	In writing to the Director of Community and Cultural Services by 20th May	Report	Peter High	5617566
01258	To approve acceptance of the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) grant for the regeneration of Barnes Park and agree to seek tenders for the necessary works.	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	Portfolio Holder for Culture and Leisure; Cabinet; Ward Members; Friends of Barnes Park; City Treasurer	Reports; Briefings; Consultation days	In writing to the Director of Community and Cultural Services by 20th May	Report	Helen Peverley, Project and Service Development Manager	5617532

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No.	Description of Decision	Decision Taker	Anticipated Date of Decision	Principal Consultees	Means of Consultation	When and how to make Representation	Documents to be considered	Contact Officer	Tel No
01259	To approve the procurement of specialist vehicles to be used in the waste and cleaning services.	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	Corporate Procurement; City Treasurer; Member with Portfolio for Neighbourhood and Street Services	Report	In writing to the Director of Community and Cultural Services by 20th May	Report	Peter High	5614501
01230	To consider the recommendations of the Culture and Leisure Review Committee following a review of music venues	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	Council officers within Community and Cultural Services, venue promoters, owners, and musicians	Evidence at Review Committee, interviews and site visits	In writing to the Contact Officer by 20th May 2009	Policy Review Final Report	Nigel Cummings	5611006
01231	To consider the recommendations of the Health and Well-Being Review Committee following a review of dementia care in Sunderland	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	Health, Housing and Adult Services staff, external providers, service users, carers, public	Evidence at Review Committee, interviews, community event, expert jury event	In writing to the Contact Officer by 20th May 2009	Policy Review Final Report	Nigel Cummings	5611006

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01262	To approve the establishment of green space provision at the former Usworth School site and on the site of the proposed Red House Academy following demolition.	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	Sport England, Red House Academy Trust & Design User Group, Usworth 6th Form College (Management Ctte)	Meetings and correspondence, site plans	In writing to the Contact Officer by 20th May 2009 To the contact officer by end of May	Consultation documents, site plans	Beverly Scanlon	5611965
01246	To endorse the Transfer of Responsibility for Commissioning of Social Care for Adults with Learning Disabilities from NHS to LA & Transfer of Funding - Final Agreement.	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	Cabinet, Service Users and Carer Groups, Portfolio Holders, Adult Services Staff and Health Partners.	Briefings and/or meetings with interested parties.	In writing to the Contact Officer by 20th May 2009	Report	Graham King	5661894
01251	To consider the recommendations of the Health and Well-Being Review Committee following a review of home care services.	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	Health, Housing and Adult Services staff, external providers, service users, carers, public	Evidence at Review Committee, Task and Finish Working Group, site visits	In writing to the Contact Officer by 20th May 2009	Home Care Review final report	Nigel Cummings	5611006

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No.	Description of Decision	Decision Taker	Anticipated Date of Decision	Principal Consultees	Means of Consultation	When and how to make Representation	Documents to be considered	Contact Officer	Tel No
01265	To agree procurement of a partner to deliver the Sunderland Energy Efficiency Programme	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	Cabinet Service Users and Carer Groups, Portfolio Holder, Adult Services Staff, Health Partners	Briefings and/or meetings with interested parties	In writing to the Contact Officer by 20th May 2009	Report	Alan Caddick	5662690
01266	To agree to establish Provider Services Integrated Management Structure within Health, Housing and Adult Services Directorate.	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	Cabinet, Service Users and Carer Groups, Portfolio Holder, Adult Services Staff, Health Partners	Briefings and/or meetings with interested parties.	In writing to the Contact Officer by 20th May 2009	Report	Philip Foster	5662042
01269	To consider the award of a short term waste contract.	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	Corporate Procurement; City Treasurer; Member with Portfolio for Neighbourhood and Street Services	Report; Briefing of Portfolio Holder	In writing to Head of Environmental Services by 20th May 2009	Report	Peter High	5614501

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No.	Description of Decision	Decision Taker	Anticipated Date of Decision	Principal Consultees	Means of Consultation	When and how to make Representation	Documents to be considered	Contact Officer	Tel No
01264	To approve Sunderland Quality Standards - Nursing and Residential Homes for Older People	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	Cabinet Service Users and Carer Groups, Portfolio Holder, Adult Services Staff, Health Partners.	Briefings and/or meetings with interested parties	In writing to the Contact Officer by 20th May 2009	Report	John Fisher	5661876
01270	To approve the Council's intention to be a member of Phase V of the World Health Organisation European Healthy City Programme 2009/2013	Cabinet	03/Jun/2009	Members, LSP, Community and Voluntary Sector Organisations, Older Peoples Forums	Presentations to the LSP Health Thematic Partnership and the Older Peoples Partnership Action Group	In writing or email to the Contact Officer by 20th of May 2009	Report	Dave Leonard	5611653
01263	To consider funding options for the delivery of a first phase of physical regeneration at the seafront.	Cabinet	25/Jun/2009	EMT, local Members and relevant Portfolio Holders	Meetings, briefings, and memos	In writing or email to contact officer by end of May	Report	Dave Giblin	5611540

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01271	To approve the procurement of capital works to create external play areas and access improvements for Early Years settings and the development of Phase 3 Children's Centres	Cabinet	25/Jun/2009	Corporate Procurement, City Solicitors, Children's Services Finance and Capital teams	Working groups, meetings and draft report for comment	To the contact officer by the end of May 2009	Sure Start Children's Centres Capital Grant Conditions	Rachel Pu tz	5615640
01250	To agree the disposal of land at Camberwell Way, Doxford International and a reduction of price due to development costs.	Cabinet	25/Jun/2009	None	Meetings and emails	In writing to contact officer by the end of May	Report	Derek Bevan	5612668
01214	To consider any key decisions arising from the Revenue Budget Outturn 2008/2009 and First Quarterly Review of the Revenue Budget for 2009/2010	Cabinet	25/Jun/2009	Directors and third parties affected by the proposals	Report available and e-mailed to Directors	By telephone to the Contact Officer by 6 May 2009	None	Sonia Tognarelli, Assistant City Treasurer	5611851



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01215	To consider any key decisions arising from the Capital Programme and Treasury Management Outturn 2008/2009 and First Quarterly Review of the Capital Programme 2009/2010	Cabinet	25/Jun/2009	Directors and third parties affected by the proposals	Report available and e-mailed to Directors	By telephone to the Contact Officer by 6 May 2009	None	Sonia Tognarelli, Assistant City Treasurer	5611851
01203	To agree to the relocation of the Port workshops and to offer the site to Tyne Slipway.	Cabinet	25/Jun/2009	Portfolio Holder, City Solicitor, City Treasurer	Correspondence and meetings	In writing to the contact officer of the report by the end of May 2009.	Report	Nick Wood	5612631
01178	To agree to the findings of the Review of the Council's Industrial Portfolio.	Cabinet	25/Jun/2009	City Treasurer and Head of Business Investment Team	Meetings and emails	In writing to contact officer by end of May 2009.	Report	Richard Smith	5612663

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01039	To agree to the transfer from English Partnerships of land assets on the Northern and Southern banks of the River Wear to the City Council.	Cabinet	25/Jun/2009	English Partnerships	Briefings, meetings and emails.	In writing to the contact officer by end of May 2009	Report	Bob Donaldson	5531517
01080	To approve the revised Asset Management Plan.	Cabinet	25/Jun/2009	City Treasurer	Meetings and Memos	In writing to the contact officer by the end of May 2009.	Report	Richard Smith	5612689
01241	To approve the amended Stadium Village Development Framework and adopt it as a Supplementary Planning Document	Cabinet	01/Jul/2009	Statutory consultees, businesses property owners and occupiers, Sunderland arc, local Members and relevant Portfolio Holders.	Meetings, briefings, letters and memos, exhibition, sunderland.gov.uk	In writing to the contact officer by 1st June 2009	Report on consultations and amended Stadium Village Development Framework SPD.	Dave Giblin	5611540

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01090	To approve the submission document and sustainability appraisal for development in the Hetton Downs area to form part of the Council's Local Development Framework.	Cabinet	01/Jul/2009	Local residents, stakeholders, service providers, community reference group, Members	Meetings, briefings, letters, email, public exhibition, sunderland.gov .uk	In writing or email to contact officer by the 19th of June 2009	Report on preferred option consultation responses, submission document for Hetton Downs Area Action Plan, formal sustainability report.	Dave Gilblin	5531564
01227	To approve a Young Persons Supported Housing Project.	Cabinet	01/Jul/2009	Cabinet Portfolio Holders, Health, Housing & Adult Services Staff, Children's Services, Partner Agencies	Briefings and/or meetings with interested parties.	Via the Contact Officer by letter, email or telephone by the 19th of June 2009.	Report	Alan Caddick	5662690
01243	To approve the amended Lisburn Terrace Triangle Development Framework and adopt it as a Supplementary Planning Document.	Cabinet	01/Jul/2009	Statutory consultees, local residents, businesses, property owners and occupiers, Sunderland arc, local Members, and relevant Portfolio Holders.	Meetings, briefings, letters and memos, sunderland.gov.uk	In writing to contact officer by 19th June 2009.	Report on consultations and amended Lisburn Terrace Triangle Development Framework.	Dave Giblin	5611540

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01245	To approve Individual Budgets for Individualised Budgets and incorporating DP Development.	Cabinet	01/Jul/2009	Cabinet, Service Users and Carer Groups, Portfolio Holders, Adult Services Staff and Health Partners.	Briefings and/or meetings with interested parties.	Via the Contact Officer by the 19th of June 2009.	Report	Graham King	5661894
01256	To approve the new commissioning of youth work for 2010	Cabinet	01/Jul/2009	Elected Members, relevant Council Officers, managers and practitioners from voluntary and statutory sector youth projects, young people	Area based consultation events for young people, professionals and Elected Members. Survey of City Council youth work staff engaged in the direct delivery of youth work	In writing to the Contact Officer by the 19th of June 2009	YDG Plan, CYPP, Commissioners Handbook	Andy Neal	5617409
01228	To approve Private Finance Housing Solutions.	Cabinet	01/Jul/2009	Cabinet, Service Users and Carer Groups, Portfolio Holder, Adult Services Staff, Health Partners.	Briefings and/or meetings with interested parties.	Via the Contact Officer by letter, email or telephone by the 19th of June 2009.	Report	Alan Caddick	5662690

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01260	To agree options for the future of Thorney close Social Care Nursery and decide the direction of the next phase of the modernisation process	Cabinet	01/Jul/2009	City Treasurers, HR and City Solicitors	Distribution of draft documents, meetings	In writing to the Contact Officer by the 19th of June 2009	Draft reports	Rachel Putz	5615640
01244	To approve the draft Seafront Strategy and draft Marine Walk Masterplan for public consultation purposes.	Cabinet	01/Jul/2009	EMT, local Members and relevant Portfolio Holders	Meetings, briefings, and memos	In writing or email to contact officer by 1 June 2009	Report on initial consultation, draft Seafront and Draft Marine Walk Masterplan	Dave Giblin	5611540
01261	To agree options for the future of Concord Social Care Nursery and decide the direction of the next phase of modernisation process	Cabinet	01/Jul/2009	City Treasurers, HR and City Solicitors	Distribution of draft documents, meetings	In writing to the contact officer by the 19th of June 2009	Draft reports	Rachel Putz	5615640

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01254	To agree Central Area Multi Storey Car Park proposals.	Cabinet	01/Jul/2009	City Treasurer	Report, Briefings, Meetings	Via the contact officer by the 19th of June 2009	Report	Ed Wallage	5611277
01181	To agree the East Sunnyside Master Plan Property Acquisition Strategy.	Cabinet	09/Sep/2009	EMT, Cabinet, Portfolio Holders, City Solicitor, City Treasurer	Briefings and consultation on draft reports.	In writing to the contact officer by 20th August 2009.	Report	David Giblin	5611540
01114	Agree proposals for improving Access to Social Housing	Cabinet	09/Sep/2009	Cabinet, Service Users and Carer Groups, Portfolio Holders, Adult Services Staff and Partners	Briefings and/or meetings with interested parties	In writing to the contact officer by the 20th of August 2009	Report	Alan Caddick	5662690