

Economic Prosperity Sub-Committee Work Programme 2021/22

Chair: Councillor Matt Wilson

Deputy Chair: Councillor Joan Walker

DSO: Michael Robson

Agenda Item	Purpose	Lead Officer	Outcome/Issues
14 July 2021			
Inclusive Economy Strategy	To review and comment on the Council's approach towards developing an inclusive economy in North Tyneside approved by Cabinet on 24 May 2021 .	John Sparkes Julie Dodds	Councillor Johnson to be invited to attend.
Buy Local Campaign	To review the evaluation of the Buy Local Campaign in North Tyneside and consider how it may be developed in the future.	Julie Dodds	
Sustainable Transport Schemes	To examine the Council's plans to provide around 14km of new cycling routes and the response to the public consultation exercise undertaken in June 2021.	Nick Bryan Andy Flynn	
Work programme 2020/21	To formulate/approve the sub-committee's work programme.	Michael Robson	
28 September 2021			
Swan Hunters Site	To visit the Swans Centre for Innovation and inspect the ongoing £100m project to transform the former Swan Hunter shipyard into Swans Offshore Energy Park.	Paul Dowling	Item deferred from July to September due to ongoing Covid restrictions affecting plans to hold the meeting at the Centre.
The State of the Economy	To regularly receive data and the outcomes of research into the state of the economy in North Tyneside to understand how the pandemic is affecting the local economy.	Sean Collier	It was agreed that the sub-committee receive regular reports on the latest data.

Green Industrial Revolution	To consider the Council's approach to adapting to a green industrial revolution and ensuring people have the right skills for the future green jobs.	Julie Dodds	Coun Matt Wilson indicated that he would be willing to share with the sub-committee his work on the matter to be presented to the Cabinet in September.
25 January 2021			
22 March 2022			

Other potential items to be scheduled			
Office Property Market	The sub-committee want to talk to specialists working in the office property market to better understand the issues facing the sector as a result of the pandemic.		John Sparkes to identify any best placed local agents who may be willing to meet with the sub-committee.
The Good Work Pledge	To consider the outcome of the pilot Good Work Pledge developed by the North of Tyne Combined Authority, to enable employers to understand the key elements of "good work", what they can do to achieve this for their employees and what support is available to help them get there.	Mark Barrett	
North of Tyne Combined Authority	To receive more details of the NoTCAs £2.8bn recovery plan for employment and transport in the region focussing on skills and employability.	Henry Kippen, Director of Economic Growth at the North of Tyne Combined Authority	
Transport Strategy 2017-23	To continue to monitor delivery of the Council's Transport Strategy .	Colin MacDonald Nick Bryan	An annual report on delivery of the strategy was submitted to Cabinet on 28 June 2021

Regional Recovery Plans	To maintain an overview of the regional economic recovery plans being developed in conjunction with the NoTCA & NELEP.	John Sparkes	
River Tyne North Bank Study	To examine work undertaken in conjunction with Newcastle City Council & NoTCA to determine a strategy for the development of the River Tyne North bank incorporating power cables, dredging and quays.	John Sparkes	Draft due July 2021
Freeports	A discussion around Freeports, the benefits they could have on a port like ours and any potential future bid for one.		
Swan Hunters Site	To evaluate the long term costs and benefits of the regeneration of the Swan Hunters site.		To be undertaken at a time when the benefits have been derived and can be evaluated.
Town Centres	Priority to tackle town centres – working with local communities to preserve and develop town centres, learning from experience of the pandemic, providing support where needed, looking at innovative business and housing use for town centres as well as retail		This item relates to the sub-committee's previous examination of the Reopening High Streets Safety Fund, the Welcome Back Fund and the Council's town centre regeneration plans.
Flexible Working	Explore how the Council can support and benefit from new ways of working – ie more flexible and home-based, that may impact on business rate receipts. Eg smaller co-working spaces in town centres?		

Potential in-depth investigations

Name of sub-group	Membership	Brief outline of scope and timescale	Lead officers	Progress