

North Tyneside Council

Report to Council

23 September 2021

Title: Questions by Members of the Council

Notice has been received of the following questions from Members of the Council to be put to the Council meeting.

1. Question to the Elected Mayor by Councillor Karen Clark

The Social Metrics Commission reported that 4.5 million people are experiencing the deepest levels of poverty in the UK Can the Mayor confirm North Tyneside council fully supports the North of Tyne poverty truth commission?

2. Question to the Elected Mayor by Councillor Andy Newman

Will the Mayor join me as the Armed forces champion for NTC in raising the concerns of the humanitarian crisis in Afghanistan with HM Government and wills she also write to the Home Secretary outlining out support for the evacuation of British citizens and those who assisted Allied forces in Afghanistan?

3. Question to the Elected Mayor by Councillor Linda Arkley

The Cabinet approved an ambitious plan to transform North Shields and the Fish Quay on Monday 25th January 2021.

It outlined eight separate projects for the town centre and Fish Quay. These include enhancing the appearance of key areas, creating a new transport hub, and interchange and town square to host various events. A new cultural quarter based around Howard Street and Riverside walkway linking the town centre to the Fish Quay.

There are also proposals for high-quality housing at key locations and moving the North Shields ferry to Western Quay.

Cabinet approved the next steps to: -

- Refining a Delivery Plan for the masterplan which will set out the timing and funding of the projects contained in the masterplan.
- Progress the delivery of those schemes contained in the masterplan for which there is funding has been secured.
- Securing external funding for those elements of the masterplan for which funding is not currently in place.

Would the Elected Mayor provide the Council with an update on all aspects of the North Shields Masterplan.

Would she also provide a financial break down of grants, Funding, Sales, Investment received and is there a shortfall of funding for the North Shields Master plan?