



**Executive Member Reports  
and additional Executive  
decision information**

**Council Meeting: 7 September 2022**

## EXECUTIVE MEMBER REPORTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### COUNCIL MEETING: 7 SEPTEMBER 2022

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## INTRODUCTION

This document contains Executive Member reports relevant to the Council meeting to be held on **7 September 2022**.

The booklet, in addition to containing details of Executive Member activities covering the period following the last Council meeting (section 1), also details those Executive decisions taken since the last booklet was published (section 2) together with those decisions planned to be taken from dispatch of this booklet up until the date of the Council meeting (section 3) and those decisions planned to be taken following the Council meeting (section 4).

The table at section 2 contains details of decisions taken by individual Executive Members, the full Executive, Executive Sub-Committees and Joint Archives Committee. The public reports that were considered are also available through the Modern Gov system.

The tables at section 3 and 4 contain details of the decisions to be taken by individual Executive Members, the full Executive, Executive Sub-Committees and Joint Archives Committee. Further details on key decisions that are to be taken can also be found on the Modern Gov Forward Plan.

The Executive Member reports and the additional decision making information will hopefully assist Members when considering any questions they may have for Executive Members at Council, which can be asked within accordance of the Council's procedure rules.

Details of those decisions to be taken, as outlined in Section 3 and 4, may sometimes be subject to change (e.g. dates of meetings may alter). Members are therefore advised to check with the Democratic Services should they have an interest in specific issues.

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## EXECUTIVE MEMBER REPORT TO COUNCIL

**EXECUTIVE MEMBER:** Deputy Mayor & Lead Member for Children's Services

**DATE OF MEETING:** 07 September 2022

This report aims to provide an update to members on activity within my portfolio and performance against the strategic priorities I either lead on or am involved with.

*STRATEGIC PRIORITY - Consolidate and build on recent Children's Services progress to improve Ofsted rating*

### 1. ACTIVITY IN MY PORTFOLIO:

- 1.1. Children's Services continues to improve – and it's down to the determined efforts of our staff at every level.
- 1.2. We have had great recent feedback from not only Ofsted but also from the Department for Education (DfE).
- 1.3. The findings from Ofsted were a result of its latest Monitoring Visit.
- 1.4. In its fifth visit since the council was deemed 'inadequate' in January 2020, the watchdog looked at a number of areas including the 'front door' to the service, child protection inquiries and child in need and early help assessments.
- 1.5. Inspectors point to continued strong leadership which is helping to drive forward improvements.
- 1.6. Improvements to early help support for vulnerable children were highlighted along with improved partnerships, information sharing and decision-making.
- 1.7. DfE has also recently given our Children's Services feedback on our improvement journey.
- 1.8. In their letter they stated: "Frontline staff and team managers all demonstrated genuine dedication, loyalty and commitment to working in Middlesbrough.
- 1.9. "They recognise the investment senior leaders and the wider council are making and feel valued as a result.
- 1.10. "Staff described leaders of children's services as visible and approachable and they felt well supported by managers, something they recognise as a massive shift from where they were previously."

- 1.11. However we simply cannot afford to rest on our laurels. We have major challenges – that are reflected nationally – such as increasing costs for external residential care placements and huge pressures on recruitment. I have written about some of these challenges for Conservative Home: [Mieka Smiles: Levelling up in Middlesbrough must include a better chance for children in care | Conservative Home](#)
- 1.12. We are committed to tackling these pressures and aim to become an 'employer of choice' for social workers. As an incentive, new starters will qualify for a one-off £5,000 'welcome aboard' payment on top of competitive salaries ranging from £28,672 to £36,922.

*STRATEGIC PRIORITY - Expand the youth provision in areas that suffer high levels of deprivation.*

## **2. ACTIVITY IN MY PORTFOLIO:**

- 2.1. Youth provision in our area is so important and I regularly visit some of the fantastic groups and clubs we have in operation – both that we directly commission such as from The Junction, Linx and Middlesbrough Football Club Foundation and those that are operated by independent organisations such as Youth Focus North East.
- 2.2. I've had recent visits to youth clubs in North Ormesby and Coulby where it was clear to see how much the young people were benefitting and the positive impact it's having in communities, helping to divert young people from occasional challenging behaviour.
- 2.3. It's also been a real pleasure to visit the amazing work that's gone on over the summer holidays courtesy of the Government-funded Holiday Activity Fund. These are sessions run by groups and organisations to provide school age children with fun activities and healthy food throughout the summer holidays. Sessions like this are more important than ever given the current cost of living crisis.
- 2.4. Sessions were run by Lisa McGee Education at North Ormesby Primary Academy for primary age children as well as boxing-themed sessions at Pallister Park for those aged between 11 and 16.
- 2.5. We are now working in partnership with The Junction on a bid to the Youth Investment Fund (YIF) which is set to offer significant capital investment in Middlesbrough. The Junction is keen to identify a Middlesbrough Council property and with funds from YIF develop this into bespoke youth club provision.

*STRATEGIC PRIORITY - Children and Young People*

## **3. ACTIVITY IN MY PORTFOLIO:**

- 3.1. I'm happy report that Middlesbrough is set to benefit from £3m over three years to run a 'family hub' programme.

3.2. The programme will operate from existing Children's Centres in Middlesbrough.

3.3. The programme will provide a one stop shop of child support services, bringing together health, social care and a range of other local and national support providers.

3.4. The hub programme will:

- Provide support to parents and carers so they are able to nurture their babies and children
- Support the reduction in inequalities in health and education outcomes for babies, children and families
- Level up outcomes for vulnerable children

3.5. A family hub is a way of providing joined up family support services to help children from pre-birth through to the age of 19 and will really help us build upon our 'early help' offering which has the aim of preventing escalating need and intervention.

3.6. Our officers are working hard to establish exactly the kind of extra help that will be available within communities and I will update you as more information becomes available.

## EXECUTIVE MEMBER REPORT TO COUNCIL

**EXECUTIVE MEMBER:** Adult Social Care, Public Health, Public Protection and Digital Inclusion

**DATE OF MEETING:** 07 September 2022

This report aims to provide an update to Members on activity within my portfolio and performance against the strategic priorities I either lead on or am involved with.

*STRATEGIC PRIORITY – Business (Promoting investment in Middlesbrough's economy and making sure we work as effectively as possible to support our ambitions for People and Place.*

### 1. ACTIVITY IN MY PORTFOLIO: Public Protection

- 1.1. Under anti-social behaviour laws, three-month Closure Orders were granted against at a retailer (Bosc Vagas) in Gresham Road and a retailer (Bacau Mini Market) in Parliament Road, plus a three month extension to an existing Closure Order for a second retail premises (Bucharest Mini Market) in Parliament Road was obtained. All premises were involved in the sale of illicit tobacco.
- 1.2. Two males involved in the sale of illicit tobacco from European Supermarket, Gresham Road were sentenced to 12-month community orders, 10 Rehabilitation Activity Requirement days and 80 Hours of unpaid work.
- 1.3. Food businesses in the town have been provided with support to improve hygiene ratings with free 'health-checks' and advice visits during a 'week of action'. Businesses sought advice on managing food allergens, developing food safety management procedures and improving their hygiene rating. There are currently 1,376 food premises in the town with 500 inspection of these visited by Environmental Health ever year. 94% of businesses in Middlesbrough have a food hygiene rating of 3, 4 or 5 with 78% achieving the top '5' (very good) hygiene rating.
- 1.4. An Emergency Prohibition Order under Housing laws was served on a private rented property in Borough Road after Environmental Health and Fire Safety Officers found unsafe conditions. The residents were supported to find alternative accommodation and investigations into the conditions are ongoing
- 1.5. A Forfeiture Order was granted to Public Protection for the destruction of counterfeit clothing and footwear seized from a private address in North Ormesby and from a town-centre retail outlet.

**STRATEGIC PRIORITY – Vulnerability (We will work to address the causes of vulnerability and inequalities in Middlesbrough and safeguard and support those made vulnerable).**

## **2. ACTIVITY WITHIN MY PORTFOLIO: Adult Social Care**

### **2.1. *MBC Provider Day Care Services***

All services are now operating post covid. We now have all the service users back in service which has been much valued by Carers and families, as it has provided essential respite for them.

### **2.2. *Community Inclusion Services – Adults with Learning Disabilities & Autism***

Cumberland Resource Centre are having some of their kitchens on site refurbished, which will be a great help around the independent living skills programmes that are undertaken with service users on site. As we move forward we are looking to get wifi in place again for the service users so that we can promote new technologies and assist with increased learning and development activities. Our facebook page continues to be a great success with many posts added around activities and events that have taken place within the service.

### **2.3. *Orchard- Complex health and social care for Adults with a Learning Disability***

The service has gone through a year of change with a new manager and co-ordinator being appointed. This has seen the service establish a new and exciting direction, and has been well received by service users/ carers, staff and our partnership colleagues in TEWV.

### **2.4. Service has a very active programme that centres around the units person centred path. One key aim is to venture more frequently into the community through the use of community transport, service users love having a varied activity programme.**

### **2.5. *North Ormesby Resource Centre – Elderly People***

North Ormesby Resource Centre has just seen the completion of a toilet refurbishment programme in July 2022. The refurbishment has significantly improved the facilities on site providing increased toilet provision both in the dementia resource area, and also a complete re-configuration of the main toilet and disabled facilities in the main area. The added feature was the introduction of Changing Place facility, the first in the North Ormesby area.

### **2.6. *North Ormesby Resource Centre - Deaf Services***

Middlesbrough Council continues to work with both RNID (Royal National Institute for the Deaf) and CDYP (Children & Death Youth Project) both of whom use the North Ormesby resource as a base to provide their services from. After a recent period off site due to the refurbishment both organisations are back on site.



## EXECUTIVE MEMBER REPORT TO COUNCIL

**EXECUTIVE MEMBER:** Executive Member for Culture and Communities

**DATE OF MEETING:** 07 September 2022

This report aims to provide an update to Members on activity within my portfolio and performance against the strategic priorities I either lead on or am involved with.

*STRATEGIC PRIORITY – (Cultural Funding Streams) We will invest in our existing cultural assets, create new spaces and events and improve access to culture.*

### 1. ACTIVITY IN MY PORTFOLIO:

- 1.1. The past few months have been rather busy for the culture team, as they have been actively involved in several funding bids. These include the following:
- 1.2. *Levelling Up Fund (Round 2)* - The Culture team have been actively contributing to the application of the Levelling Up fund, led by a team from Regeneration, for the redevelopment of the former House of Fraser building and the former premises of The Crown. The bid includes proposals for cultural/creative use of some of the spaces within both buildings, informed by consultation with members of the Middlesbrough Cultural Partnership, who remain active in advocating for cultural spaces and events within Middlesbrough.
- 1.3. *Arts Council, Cultural Development Fund (Round 3)* - This funding bid has also incorporated the former House of Fraser building, for which the team have submitted an Expression of Interest to the Arts Council for this particular stream. The bid also includes proposals for capital improvements at the International Centre on Abingdon Road, which is one of the projects detailed in our Cultural Capital Investment Prospectus.
- 1.4. *Arts Council, MEND fund* - Middlesbrough Council also submitted an Expression of Interest in June to the Arts Council's MEND fund for repairs needed at the Dorman Museum- I'm happy to say that EOI was accepted, and we have been shortlisted for the funding, and invited to make a full application.

*STRATEGIC PRIORITY – (Cultural Health) We will invest in our existing cultural assets, create new spaces and events and improve access to culture -*

### 2. ACTIVITY IN MY PORTFOLIO:

- 2.1. Middlesbrough Council, in conjunction with Redcar and Cleveland Council, held a "Creative Conversations" event at Ormesby Hall on the 20<sup>th</sup> July, which brought together artists and creative organisations with professionals from the health

sector, to share ideas around commissioning and delivering creative health solutions in the South Tees area.

- 2.2. The event was part of a body of work being undertaken by consultant Alice Thwaite from Equal Arts, a charity which specialises in improving the lives of older people and those living with Dementia, through creativity and arts activities.
- 2.3. One of the major outcomes of the event was a commitment to deliver creative consultation around the new Health and Wellbeing Strategy for the South Tees (2023-2028), which is being led by the Council's Director of Public Health.

<i>STRATEGIC PRIORITY – (Creative Locations) We will invest in our existing cultural assets, create new spaces and events and improve access to culture -</i>
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### **3. ACTIVITY IN MY PORTFOLIO:**

- 3.1. Middlesbrough Theatre has had a successful Spring season, with both income and attendance exceeding 2019 levels. Sales for the Autumn season are encouraging, and advance sales for the Theatre's much loved pantomime- "Jack and the Beanstalk" starring Mark Little and Philip Green, who are making a triumphant return to Middlesbrough Theatre's stage after their success in "Peter Pan" last year- are ahead of sales this time last year.
- 3.2. Unfortunately, this year's season, while successful, is not quite as busy as pre-Covid years, due to some groups who we reserve diary space for still being unwilling to take the risk of putting on productions. However, it still contains a wide variety of shows, from stand-up comedy to classical ballet, not forgetting the successful staging of a brand new musical, "Our Trevor" over the summer, based on the true story of a Middlesbrough lad brought up in the 1960's.
- 3.3. The Town Hall Courtyard has also played host to another season of open-air theatre over the summer holidays, with stagings of plays by a wide variety of playwrights, from William Shakespeare to David Walliams. This is the first time the Courtyard has mounted a full season and, despite some challenges from occasional inclement weather, the full offering has been very well received by audiences.
- 3.4. The Dorman Museum and Albert Park have played host to one of the Council funded Holiday Activity Fund programmes over the summer holidays. HAF is intended to support families and children who receive free school meals and who might be at risk of food poverty through the school holidays.
- 3.5. In conjunction with Abingdon Primary School, the Park and Museum have held four weeks of activities for 43 children from Abingdon Primary, with the children enjoying such fun as creative music workshops, museum based education and art classes, sports and physical activities, and wildlife and environmental workshops. Alongside these activities, the children also received a nutritious breakfast and lunch on each day of the programme. This set of HAF activities built on three previous successful HAF programmes hosted by the Park, and has further strengthened the relationship between the two locations and Abingdon Primary School.

**STRATEGIC PRIORITY – (Events) We will invest in our existing cultural assets, create new spaces and events and improve access to culture.**

#### **4. ACTIVITY IN MY PORTFOLIO:**

- 4.1. Middlesbrough Council's events team continues to deliver a variety of events for the benefit of our residents. Highlights of the past few months have included the Jubilee programme, our ongoing monthly Orange Pip market and its special, Jubilee themed editions, The Commonwealth Games Baton Relay, the Boro Reads festival (held in conjunction with Middlesbrough Libraries) and our longest running event, The Middlesbrough Mela.
- 4.2. The Mela returned to business as usual this year, drawing an audience of around 50,000 people over the two days, continuing to be a favourite of all communities across the Tees Valley and beyond.
- 4.3. The Events Team are now moving on to supporting and planning the delivery of our Autumn season, which will include the perennial Orange Pip Market, Dino Day at Teessaurus Park, Eco Fest, Discover Middlesbrough, our Remembrance Day services and events at the Cenotaph, the Christmas Light switch on, and the Magical Middlesbrough Christmas Parade, featuring Father Christmas and his reindeer.

## EXECUTIVE MEMBER REPORT TO COUNCIL

**EXECUTIVE MEMBER:** Executive Member for Environment

**DATE OF MEETING:** 07 July 2022

This report aims to provide an update to Members on activity within my portfolio and performance against the strategic priorities I either lead on or am involved with.

*STRATEGIC PRIORITY – Children and Young People - We will show Middlesbrough's children that they matter and work to make our town safe and welcoming and to improve outcomes for all children and young people.*

### 1. ACTIVITY WITHIN MY PORTFOLIO

1.1. We have a lot of exciting things happening within our Middlesbrough school meals teams; from September we are launching a rebalanced menu which offers a healthy and nutritious meal option.

1.2. The department is also going live with new uniforms, new branding, our mascot "Terry the Tomato" will be rolled out to our 31 schools, we are holding a training day which is taking place on 30<sup>th</sup> August 2022 where the teams will be learning new cooking techniques/learning new recipes.

*STRATEGIC PRIORITY - Physical Environment We will work closely with local communities to protect our green spaces and make sure that our roads, streets and open spaces are well-designed, clean and safe.*

### 2. ACTIVITY WITHIN MY PORTFOLIO

2.1. The Highways department have continued important work in several areas since my last report to Council including:

- Demolition of the former Slam Nightclub is currently underway and once works are complete we will be progressing with relevant repairs;
- Phase 1 of the carriageway resurfacing programme for 2022/23 is underway; and
- With regard to Street Lighting - the Borough wide structural assessment and electrical testing programme for the Council's lighting stock is almost complete. To date we have had 23,197 street lighting columns inspected which has required the immediate removal of 178 columns, of which 157 have been replaced. We have a further 516 columns programmed for replacement over the next 12 months and will be putting together a testing/replacement programme for future maintenance.

*STRATEGIC PRIORITY Climate Change: We will ensure our town acts to tackle climate change, promoting sustainable lifestyles.*

### **3. ACTIVITY WITHIN MY PORTFOLIO**

3.1. In terms of Waste and Green Collection, the team continues to promote and educate residents regarding recycling and what can and cannot be recycled. Events have included:

- Resident presentations
- Fun Day – Grove Hill
- Fun Day – Easterside

3.2. During these events we were able to engage with a number of residents to ensure they were fully aware of the waste services provided by Middlesbrough Council and how they can recycle as much as possible.

3.3. We have received a request from the Locality Working team to provide individual bins in a part of North Ormesby to remove the communal bins. It is hoped doing so will reduce the amount of fly tipping in that area. Subsequently, we are writing to properties in that area to inform them we are removing the communal bins and replacing with individual wheeled bins.

*STRATEGIC PRIORITY Climate Change: We will ensure our town acts to tackle climate change, promoting sustainable lifestyles.*

### **4. ACTIVITY WITHIN MY PORTFOLIO**

4.1. Though MEC have lost the contract to run cycling activities across the town (to Sustrans), we will continue to operate from the unit at the Bus Station. Given that we already run Shopmobility out of the unit, we are extending the usage to a “One Stop Shop” for all our other projects where residents can come in for advice on Affordable Warmth, Healthy Eating, Grow Your Own, Eco Shop and living a more sustainable lifestyle etc.

4.2. This will fit closely with Middlesbrough Council’s Green Strategy. To make the unit more useful we decided to expand all our projects into the unit, so one day a week one of the MEC project officers will be available at the Hub for face to face consultations / information. We are also opening the Hub for partners to use the space to promote sustainable living and the work they do in Middlesbrough. One of the main aims of the Green Hub for MEC is to promote the Green Strategy for Middlesbrough and a place where residents can come for information.

*STRATEGIC PRIORITY - We will work closely with local communities to protect our green spaces and make sure that our roads, streets and open spaces are well-designed, clean and safe*

## **5. ACTIVITY WITHIN MY PORTFOLIO**

- 5.1. Area Care are in the process of planning for the final planting of UTCF trees, incorporating 550 standard trees for this Autumn/winter.
- 5.2. A66/A172 Road closures are now underway with all areas having the cleansing and grass cutting maintenance completed along with the removal some trees that posed a potential issue.
- 5.3. A Tree copse are of circa 3,500 square metres on the westbound carriageway of the A66 (to the rear of Charles Clinkards, Cannon Park) will commence on 12/09/22. The works will take place during evenings, to minimise traffic disruption. The works will involve the felling of all trees, to remove the risk they pose in being so close to the highway. It is envisaged that the works will take approximately five evenings to complete.
- 5.4. Area Care are also programming the cutting of the urban meadows throughout the town and this is expected to be completed before the winter.
- 5.5. Play area painting is to be reinstated early February once the summer holidays have ended, this will be completed by the second week in September and the Middlesbrough 5k and 10k runs, are programmed this weekend with the cleansing assistance from Area Care.

## EXECUTIVE MEMBER REPORT TO COUNCIL

**EXECUTIVE MEMBER:** Executive Member for Finance and Governance

**DATE OF MEETING:** 07 September 2022

This report aims to provide an update to Members on activity within my portfolio and performance against the strategic priorities I either lead on or am involved with.

*STRATEGIC PRIORITY: We will ensure the recovery of local communities, businesses and the Council's operations from COVID-19, taking opportunities to build back better.*

### 1. ACTIVITY WITHIN MY PORTFOLIO

- 1.1. Since our previous full council meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2022 the auditor report for the financial year ending 2021 have been published and presented in the meeting of the Corporate Affairs and Audit Committee held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022.
- 1.2. The audit results report contained various findings and outcomes, but the most material has arguably been that of the value for money opinion.
- 1.3. The value for money opinion contained a qualification in the year ending 2020 financial period due to the weaknesses at that point in time of children services. Since then, the Council has made improvements in this service due to its implementation of its Children's Services improvement plan. The audit report recognised this improvement and within its audit opinion did not recognise this service area as a significant weakness for the year ending 2021.
- 1.4. The audit report does however make a narrative on this service to confirm that it will remain an area of focus, particularly when considering that the improvement is not yet complete. It is a focus of concern in my role. The cost of living crisis for example is one area which is very likely going to result in an increased demand for Children Services within Middlesbrough Council. The funding mechanisms however are, as I understand them, archaic at best. If as an authority we experience a potential huge increase in demand and thus cost, we do not receive an equivalent increase in funding to cover this cost.
- 1.5. It is therefore crucial that the council explores mechanisms to anticipate the potential increase in demand of this service beyond the provisions we have such as the social care transformation reserve which this Executive have recently created and instead have a proactive approach to exploring non-

statutory ways to reduce demand in our upcoming medium term financial strategy.

- 1.6. The value for money opinion contained a qualification focused on governance, specifically member and senior officer relationships. The report noted that there exists *“a pervasive lack of trust within the Council between officers and elected members, and between elected members”*.
- 1.7. This negative culture is ultimately resulting in a lack of proper governance for the Council and this is something that all members should be focused on improving for the benefit of the Council and ultimately the benefit of the residents we have been elected to represent. I would like to note in this report that whilst the auditor opinion have contained a qualification they have also provided the council with an opportunity to improve and have not yet exercised their statutory powers..
- 1.8. From the publication of the auditor’s report, we have embarked on an improvement, arguably comparable in some element to that of children services which has thus far produced positive outcomes, by engaging with CIPFA (the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy) who are currently performing a diagnostic type of qualitative analysis. By the time of our meeting in September I would have anticipated that a selection of members have had a confidential interview with CIPFA and it should be noted that this body will be monitoring member conduct in all relevant proceedings.
- 1.9. The report highlighted specific examples of governance failings including the change of scope of Boho X, purchase of COVID-19 tests and the engagement of an external political assistant on a non-employed basis. In my role as Executive Member for Finance and Governance I have attempted to understand how each of the examples have arisen and occurred. In each case there is a narrative in which an explanation can be given and the cases may involve some degree of failings by senior officers to give the correct advice. However, the auditor opinion makes it clear that how the failings have come about does not change the outcome.
- 1.10. Therefore, the fundamental focus at this stage is first to understand our governance failings without assigning blame, and then to ensure that we all collectively, members and officers, focus on improvement.
- 1.11. A related subject matter is that of the Annual Governance Statement (AGS) of the council for the year ending 2021 which to date has not yet been agreed upon and approved. This was prompted by the Chief Executive who, as I understand the position, has concerns that the drafted 2021 AGS does not adequately reflect the potential extent of the governance issues we face as a council and does not reflect his view that these issues have most likely become worse in the financial year ending 2022.
- 1.12. As such, I have worked alongside the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor, the Section 151 officer, the Monitoring Officer and the Chief Executive to have this documented redrafted and agreed upon. I have also engaged with the Local Government Association on this to ensure that we have an AGS which is both robust and fair. It should be noted that ordinarily, the lack of agreement on the



AGS affects our collective reputation and raises concerns with government and it is therefore crucial that we have this document agreed upon by the Chief Executive and the Mayor as soon as possible.

- 1.13. On the 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2022 I attended an Executive meeting in which I voted to approve the consultation response on the proposed Mayoral Development Corporation. It should be noted that this vote was simply to endorse the consultation response and that as an Executive we agreed that further information was required in terms of how this entity would function and what the Council would have to input and expected returns..
- 1.14. One item which the above mentioned audit report highlights as a potential future issue is the increased acquisition and the valuation of commercial properties since the 2021 financial year end. The Council should therefore seek to develop a robust and proactive approach to asset valuation in line with the relevant accounting standards but also to ensure that any potential transfer of assets ensures best value for the Council. Arguably, in terms of potential future governance problems, this could be one area which is liable to future audit qualifications and indeed the council has received value for money qualifications on this general subject several times previously. It is also therefore of fundamental importance that the Council remains vigilant to ensure proper appraisals and due diligence are made with any potential asset transfer to the proper Mayoral Development Corporation.
- 1.15. On the 12<sup>th</sup> July 2022 I attended an Executive meeting in which I presented to fellow Executive Members an updated Welfare Strategy for the Council. This strategy is designed to combine existing policies and approaches of the Council into a singular framework designed both to obtain economies of scale (therefore reducing staff burden) but more importantly to improve the experience of those people who require Council welfare resources. This innovative new approach has already been nominated for a national award and will be crucial for the coming year and winter in particular. I would like to note my sincere thanks to the council officers Mark Symmonds and Jeanette Savage for their work on producing this updated strategy.
- 1.16. During the period since our last meeting the council has also seen the departure of its previous section 151 officer, Ian Wright, alongside the appointment of the new section 151 officer, Helen Seechurn. The new appointment is temporary and part-time in nature.
- 1.17. Since our last meeting I have met with senior council officers to discuss our upcoming medium term financial strategy. At this stage I am not able to report any conclusive figures to members due to various ongoing contingencies. Along with other councils, we are facing financial uncertainty such as the impact of inflation on Council supply chains, the impact of national pay negotiations on Council staffing commitments and the impact of the cost of living crisis both on direct Council commitments and potential increase demand on some service areas.
- 1.18. I can confirm however that with all of these considerations we will face a budget gap for the next financial year. The amount of this gap is yet to be properly determined and alongside the governance improvement journey, my

focus of attention will be to ensure that we explore all possible mechanisms to reduce this gap.

- 1.19. On the 18<sup>th</sup> July 2022 I was appointed as the chair of the Teesside Pension Board. During this meeting I was presented with work plan updates and an administration update alongside an update on the draft pension fund report and accounts for the year ending 2022. The value of the pension fund has increased substantially over the past few years. This is demonstrated by the below table. I have concerns that due to the various global threats of the ongoing war in Ukraine, the increase of inflation in various economies which is leading to raising of interest rates and the various quantitative easing mechanisms explored by various governments over the period below to maintain their economies during lockdown periods that the value of various assets could be reduced significantly over the next few years. I am aware the employers contribution rate is under review and the contribution rates for Middlesbrough Council to our fund is generally below the norm, partially because the value of the fund. I have therefore written to the relevant council officer to express my concerns and this will be a topic which will have further work in future meetings.

Fund Value at 31 March



**EXECUTIVE MEMBER REPORT TO COUNCIL**

**EXECUTIVE MEMBER:** Executive Member for Neighbourhood Safety

**DATE OF MEETING:** 07 September 2022

This report aims to provide an update to Members on activity within my portfolio and performance against the strategic priorities I either lead on or am involved with.

*STRATEGIC PRIORITY Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour (Support the police and hold them to account for each neighbourhood)*

**1. ACTIVITY WITHIN MY PORTFOLIO:**

*Warden and Neighbourhood Safety Officer activity.*

- 1.1. School parking contraventions have seen parking patrols take place daily and have been made up from patrols utilising the CCTV enforcement car and traditional foot patrol. Where parking issues are prevalent at schools, Enforcement patrols have been present each morning and afternoon during term time. This includes dedicated morning and afternoon patrols at schools in Nunthorpe and Marton wards. In addition, parking issues have also continued at Pritchard Road and areas of the town centre with delivery agents.
- 1.2. Neighbourhood Safety Officers anticipate issues to be prevalent on match days on the approach to the Riverside Stadium from the A66 and North Ormesby. Enforcement activity at this location will continue on match days.
- 1.3. Since my last report, below is a break down of Enforcement activity for the months of June and July 2022, which provides an overview of the total Penalty Charge Notices (PCNs) issued in the reporting period.
- 1.4. By means of comparison, in the same reporting period of 2021/2022 a total of 3,193 PCNs were issued compared to 3,124 in 2022. Of these 25 were issued at local schools for parking contraventions.

PCN's Issued 2022-23													
Month	April	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
No. PCN Issued	1124	764	653	583									3124

***The following information related to Neighbourhood Safety Wardens and Officers Activity for the month of May only 01/07/2022 – 31/07/2022***

- 1.5. Members will be aware that the Council has a team of seven dedicated Neighbourhood Safety Officers to support the work of its Neighbourhood Safety Wardens. Together those teams take positive action against perpetrators, and

adopt a problem solving approach to tackle issues that present within their ward areas.

- 1.6. Since my last report Neighborhood Safety Officers engaged with 72 victims and have progressed several actions against perpetrators of Anti-Social Behavior. I have included examples of this work in the good news stories section at the end of this report.
- 1.7. In this reporting period the Neighbourhood Safety Team has carried out in excess of 300 actions within communities, including This including initial warning letters and a breach of a Civil Injunction. The team is now utilising Community Protection Notice Powers and have issued a total of nine Warnings and one full notice.
- 1.8. Since my last report 1,696 service requests have been handled, with fly tipping being the predominant request for service, followed by requests for removal of dumped materials Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) issues, untaxed/ abandoned vehicles and stray dogs/ animals respectively. Analysis shows a reduction in requests of an environmental nature but an increase in those concerning ASB between June and July.
- 1.9. Officers continue to be proactive with the use of the Public Space Protection Orders (PSPO) and have issued 80 instructions and three fixed penalty notices for breaches.
- 1.10. Environmental Wardens have issued a total of six fixed penalty notices in the last four weeks for environmental related matters and issued a total of eight Community Protection Notice (CPN) warnings and five full notices for none compliance of the Community Protection Notice Warning. Environmental Wardens also removed 13 vehicles from Middlesbrough roads for being untaxed or abandoned.
- 1.11. I have also included examples of Neighbourhood Safety Teams in action around the town:
  - Hemlington's Neighbourhood Safety Officer has worked with the Council's Legal Team and Youth Offending Service to address a specific issue in that area and the Neighbourhood Safety Team has organised ASB drop-in sessions for Hemlington residents to meet with the local authority and partners. The meetings were well attended with the Mayor providing his support.
  - The Neighbourhood Safety Team has continued with Operation Banton with our Neighbourhood Police Colleagues, focusing on prolific shoplifters, beggars, and substance users. Utilising CCTV, and through collaborative working, two of the most has led to successful convictions and custodial sentences.

*STRATEGIC PRIORITY Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour (Support the police and hold them to account for each neighbourhood)*

## **2. ACTIVITY WITHIN MY PORTFOLIO:**

- 2.1 It is widely appreciated that reducing Anti-Social Behaviour must be preventative as well as enforcement based. One such initiative is to provide activities that young people can meaningfully engage with. As such, I have been engaging with teenagers

in Hemlington who have identified they would love to join a boxing gym. I am working with Council Officers to transform an old depot space that would be a great space for a boxing gym. I am also working with three local residents all of whom have boxing experience and who are passionate about making a difference in the area.

2.2 They have started a constituted group called 'Hemlington boxing club' in partnership with Recovery Connections. This will be available to young people who want to box or just keep fit. It also has a small cafe attached to the side of it where young people and residents can use it as a 'drop in.'

## EXECUTIVE MEMBER REPORT TO COUNCIL

**EXECUTIVE MEMBER:** Executive Member for Regeneration

**DATE OF MEETING:** 07 September 2022

This report aims to provide an update to Members on activity within my portfolio and performance against the strategic priorities I either lead on or am involved with.

*STRATEGIC PRIORITY – (Developing the Town Centre and Middlehaven) We will transform our town centre, improving accessibility, revitalising unused assets, developing iconic new spaces and building more town centre homes.*

### 1. ACTIVITY WITHIN MY PORTFOLIO

- 1.1. A public consultation on the formation of a Mayoral Development Corporation by TVCA was held recently, with responses being received from a number of individuals and organisations.
- 1.2. The response submitted by the Council offered broad support, but flagged the need to examine the detail around any issues potentially affecting the Council's Medium Term Financial Plan, and the transfer of any planning powers that end up being requested. Further discussion on the MDC and its relationship with the Council will be held when more detailed plans emerge. The proposed MDC is likely to play a key role in the development of new housing at Middlehaven.

*STRATEGIC PRIORITY – (Nutrient Neutrality) We will work closely with local communities to protect our green spaces and make sure that our roads, streets and open spaces are well-designed, clean and safe.*

### 2. ACTIVITY WITHIN MY PORTFOLIO

- 2.1. The Government has also issued a significant update on the nutrient neutrality issue that is currently curtailing planning permissions for new developments across Tees Valley and other selected areas of the country.
- 2.2. They are working with Natural England to implement a scheme to balance the nutrient impact of new development and allow developers to fund off-site measures to mitigate their schemes. Although this is seen as a major step forward, the timescales associated with the Government's scheme would mean a significant hiatus in development locally. As a result, local measures are still being explored to seek an appropriate short term solution.

*STRATEGIC PRIORITY – (Future Development of the Crown) We will transform our town centre, improving accessibility, revitalising unused assets, developing iconic new spaces and building more town centre homes.*

### **3. ACTIVITY WITHIN MY PORTFOLIO**

- 3.1. After recent pressure from the Council, the owner of the Crown (former ABC Cinema) on Borough Road has developed a range of options for reusing the building and is seeking to discuss them with the Council. The Council will look to support the most economically viable solutions, along with protecting the heritage of the building.

*STRATEGIC PRIORITY – (Tackling Derelict Buildings and Sites) We will transform our town centre, improving accessibility, revitalising unused assets, developing iconic new spaces and building more town centre homes.*

### **4. ACTIVITY WITHIN MY PORTFOLIO**

- 4.1. Bids have been submitted to Government to seek funding for a number of projects affecting derelict buildings through their Levelling Up Fund. The fund was created to enable different infrastructure or transformation projects to commence, where the lack of resources was constraining activity.
- 4.2. The bids submitted by the Council focus on providing the resources to bring a number of town centre buildings back into use, with a decision expected in the Autumn. A further bid was submitted in conjunction with Redcar and Cleveland to provide the road infrastructure required to bring forward major housing development sites.

*STRATEGIC PRIORITY – (Tackling Derelict Buildings and Sites) Promoting investment in Middlesbrough's economy and making sure we work as effectively as possible to support our ambitions for People and Place*

### **5. ACTIVITY WITHIN MY PORTFOLIO**

- 5.1. A recent report produced by one of Europe's largest small business lenders has identified that the number of new small businesses registered in Middlesbrough for the first half of 2022 (610 per 100,000 people) has increased 43% from the same period in 2021 and 94% from the same period in 2019. This equates to 5 new business start-ups per day, and represents by far the highest rate of new business creation in the North East.
- 5.2. This recognition builds upon the recent high ranking for Middlesbrough in the Financial Times' European Cities and Regions of the Future report.

*STRATEGIC PRIORITY – (Town Centre Regeneration) We will transform our town centre, improving accessibility, revitalising unused assets, developing iconic new spaces and building more town centre homes.*

## **6. ACTIVITY WITHIN MY PORTFOLIO**

- 6.1. A number of workshop meetings have been held with town centre businesses to identify the key issues affecting their sustainability and to ensure the Council is responding to their needs.
- 6.2. The key issues identified were around safety, security and caretaking in the centre, and an action plan is being put in place to focus resources on these issues, backed up by recent operations between the Council and the Police to provide a greater presence and response. Further workshops will be held to ensure the businesses are engaged in the delivery of the action plan.

*STRATEGIC PRIORITY – (Town Centre Animation) We will transform our town centre, improving accessibility, revitalising unused assets, developing iconic new spaces and building more town centre homes.*

## **7. ACTIVITY WITHIN MY PORTFOLIO**

- 7.1. The Council has also received a number of proposals around the provision of large electronic screens that show a mixture of local content and advertising (but primarily advertising), as seen in other major centres around the country.
- 7.2. As the views held around the benefits and disbenefits of such screens vary significantly, particularly in relation to their proximity to the road infrastructure, the Council is seeking to develop a proactive policy to determine preferred locations and set out agreed criteria to ensure road safety.



## EXECUTIVE MEMBER REPORT TO COUNCIL

**EXECUTIVE MEMBER:** Executive Member for Young Adults and Democratic Engagement

**DATE OF MEETING:** 07 September 2022

This report aims to provide an update to Members on activity within my portfolio and performance against the strategic priorities I either lead on or am involved with.

*STRATEGIC PRIORITY - To help increase Political Participation and engagement across the town and update members on changes to upcoming legislation.*

### 1. ACTIVITY WITHIN MY PORTFOLIO:

**Working collaboratively with relevant departments to ensure that we keep up to date with any/all changes to legislation surrounding elections. Additionally, we are beginning to launch a variety of initiatives to ensure residents are aware of the upcoming local elections in May.**

- 1.1 There presently exists a difficulty in relation to developing a comprehensive strategy to combat the effects which the Elections Bill 2022 will have on Political Participation and engagement across the town as there have been a number of delays to the publication of Secondary legislation. Despite this there are some updates to report.
- 1.2 Voter identification implementation has been moved from December 2022 to January 2023. This should have little effect in the grand scheme of things and simply means that the Voter Card application service has been moved back one month to January 2023.
- 1.3 Postal vote handling and secrecy measures due to come into force for the May 2023 elections will now be implemented at some point after this election cycle (likely sometime in Autumn 2023).
- 1.4 The voter ID card or electoral identification document could be an A4 based document with additional security features. The key reason for this change is the fact that there will likely be a substantial number of documents requested by voters and it is crucial this demand is met in time for the election.

- 1.5 The voter card application deadline will be 6 working days ahead of the poll. This will help alleviate pressure on local authorities and ensure deliveries can be managed effectively.
- 1.6 Despite this rapidly changing situation it is important to highlight that some work is already being undertaken by Electoral Services. The annual canvass is currently underway which is a process used to update the electoral register. In addition to the normal canvass forms we enclosed a postal vote application form in the packs to encourage the uptake of postal voting. To date, 64,000 households have received a pack and we have had over 1,900 applications returned. The canvass will not be fully completed until November so we will not have a complete picture of how successful this effort has been until then.
- 1.7 With regards to our future communication plans we are currently seeking regular timetables for publications such as Middlesbrough News to help ensure we are in a strong position to publicise any legislative changes in the run up to the next elections. Developing awareness through Social Media is also likely to be invaluable.
- 1.8 We have also commissioned an advertisement in the Middlesbrough Football Club Foundation folder to encourage young people to pre-register to vote. This folder will be distributed throughout August 2022 in Secondary schools, colleges, libraries, job fairs, hospitals and many more locations. It contains information on everything from how to live a healthier lifestyle to further education and should receive a good level of traction amongst younger people.

*STRATEGIC PRIORITY - To increase the opportunities that young people in our area have to develop the necessary skills to gain employment in the local area.*

## 2. ACTIVITY WITHIN MY PORTFOLIO:

**Working with officers to ensure that we help support young people progressing onto the next stages of their lives and explore more ways which we can involve local businesses and encourage them to give opportunities to younger people.**

- 2.1. Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> August will see the release of A-Level and GCSE results respectively. Whilst this is indeed a time of jubilation for many students across the region it should also be noted that there are many students who do not wish to pursue a career in higher/ further education and may wish to pursue other, less publicised routes to employment.
- 2.2. It is crucial that we as an authority seek to support these young people as best as we can by considering what grant and additional support we are entitled to from central government to set up and encourage local firms to offer training to those who require it. This approach offers a clear route to employment for young people (and may be especially appealing to those who do not wish to progress further in education) and also

provides local businesses with the opportunity to train people to best serve their company.

- 2.3. In addition there are also many opportunities which could be open to younger people to provide a benefit to their communities. The Youth Opportunities Fund (YOF) is one such potential option. This fund provides money for young people to use on activities and projects that are of benefit to themselves and the wider community.

Ultimately it is important to recognise that we need to do everything we can to encourage young people to stay here in Middlesbrough and ensuring they have good employment prospects is key to achieving this end. We need to find ways to appeal to both academic and trade driven professions to maintain a good balance of labour supply which can best boost our local economy.

*STRATEGIC PRIORITY - To increase the level of engagement that the Council has with younger people.*

### **3. ACTIVITY WITHIN MY PORTFOLIO:**

**Working with officers to devise ways which we can boost political participation for both younger and adult residents and considering how we might best increase participation.**

3.1 'Participation works' is a partnership of six national children and young people's agencies that enable organisations to effectively involve children and young people in the development, delivery and evaluation of services that affect their lives and is highly effective at outlining some of the key components to successfully engaging as many young people as possible.

3.2 It defines youth participation in the following terms: 'Participation is a fundamental part of citizenship. It is the process by which children and young people can influence decision making which affects their lives to bring about positive change. Participation is not solely the act of expressing an opinion and having it taken seriously, but of being able to construct that opinion freely through accessing information and deliberating with others'.

3.3 It is for this reason why it is so important that we as a Council look towards introducing more ways for young people to get involved with things they are passionate about. In a political sense, this is one of the key reasons why it will be fantastic to see a chamber filled with young people debating key issues which matter to them. In a wider sense, we must facilitate the conditions necessary for young people to pursue whatever career, hobby or interest that they may have.

3.4 It is also well worth highlighting that there exists a number of national organisations which have been established to promote youth engagement. We of course have the UK Youth Parliament which gives younger people the chance to raise issues on a national level. The British Youth Council host a huge range of campaigns on everything from

addressing the issues posed by climate change through to reducing the voting age to 16. The Council undoubtedly has a responsibility to promote organisations such as these as they provide a highly effective way from which participation can take place.

3.5 One significant barrier to younger people getting involved in local Politics is a simple lack of understanding. Many of the processes and procedures of the Council are highly complex and can prove difficult to navigate for even the most seasoned of members and staff. In light of this the Council is looking at ways which we can help educate people and simplify processes. This would of course be beneficial not just to Young People but also to our adult population. One way which we may achieve this is by producing short, clear guidance which can be delivered by different sources on various mediums.



## EXECUTIVE MEMBER REPORTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### SECTION 2 – DECISIONS TAKEN

DATE	DECISION MAKER	ISSUE	PURPOSE OF REPORT	KEY DECISION
12 Jul 2022	Executive	Application to the World Health Organisation (WHO) to Achieve Age Friendly Status	The purpose of the report is to seek approval from the executive for an application to the World Health Organisation (WHO) for Middlesbrough Council to join the Global Network of Age Friendly Cities and Communities to achieve Age Friendly Town Status.	Yes
12 Jul 2022	Executive	Welfare Strategy	This report seeks approval to adopt a new welfare strategy	Yes
12 Jul 2022	Executive	Final Report of the Children and Young People's Social Care and Services Scrutiny Panel - Locality Working from a Children's Services Perspective - Service Response	To seek the Executive's approval of the final report of the Children and Young People's Social Care and Services Scrutiny Committee Locality Working from a Children's Perspective (Appendix 1) and the resulting action plan (Appendix 2).	No
12 Jul 2022	Executive	Final Report of the Economic Development, Environment and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel - Green Strategy - Service Response	To provide an update and action plan that relates to the recommendations made by the Environment and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel.	No
12 Jul 2022	Executive	Restoration of the Old Town Hall	To seek approval to submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) to the Heritage Lottery Fund to secure funding to support the regeneration of the Old Town Hall.	No

DATE	DECISION MAKER	ISSUE	PURPOSE OF REPORT	KEY DECISION
12 Jul 2022	Executive	Strategic Housing Site Disposals - Part A and Part B	To seek Executive approval for the disposal of sites in South Middlesbrough, which are allocated in the Housing Local Plan (2014), in accordance with the Council's Asset Disposal Process, and to inform Executive of the next steps to take these sites to market.	Yes
12 Jul 2022	Executive	Exempt Report: Further Office Provision	The purpose of this report is to: a. note the progress made on the existing and current phases of the Centre Square development; b. prioritise greater interaction between the current and future phases of the Centre Square development and the town centre economy; and c. establish the rationale and seek approval for additional capital funding to complete the fit-out of the vacant food and beverage unit.	Yes
03 Aug 2022	Executive	Mayoral Development Corporation – Consultation Response	The purpose of this report is to highlight the potential establishment of a Mayoral Development Corporation in Middlesbrough, and the seek endorsement for a council response to the current consultation exercise being undertaken by TVCA	Yes
05 Aug 2022	Executive Member for Regeneration	Town Centre Progress and Strategic Investment - PART A and PART B	This report sets out the progress made in the modernisation and transformation of Middlesbrough town centre; key issues which are emerging; new funding opportunities; and, seeks approval for the case for strategic investment to support our main shopping thoroughfares and gateways.	Yes



## **SECTION 3 – DECISIONS TO BE TAKEN UP TO THIS COUNCIL MEETING**

DATE	PROPOSED DECISION MAKER	ISSUE	PURPOSE OF REPORT	KEY DECISION
6 Sep 2022	Executive	Increasing Enforcement Against Problem Properties/Streets/Gardens in Disrepair	To seek approval of the spend of £40k and the approach to be used when increasing enforcement against problem properties/streets/gardens in disrepair as per Executive report of 5/4/22.	Yes
6 Sep 2022	Executive	Corporate Performance Update: Quarter One 2022/23	Quarterly monitoring, review and action planning plays a central role in ensuring that the Strategic Plan is delivered effectively.	No
6 Sep 2022	Executive	Revenue and Capital Budget – Projected Outturn Position as at Quarter One 2022/23	The report advises the Executive of the Council’s financial position as at Quarter One 2022/23.	Yes
6 Sep 2022	Executive	Final Report of the Children and Young People's Social Care and Services Scrutiny Panel - Locality Working From A Children's Services Perspective - Service Response	The aim of the investigation was to examine what impact the locality working pilots in Newport and North Ormesby were having on Children's Services.	No
6 Sep 2022	Executive	Final Report of the Children and Young People's Social Care and Services Scrutiny Panel - Sufficiency and Permanency (Perceptions of Children in	Recommendations of the scrutiny panel are considered by Executive following it's investigation into Sufficiency & Permanency report	No

DATE	PROPOSED DECISION MAKER	ISSUE	PURPOSE OF REPORT	KEY DECISION
		Care) - Service Response		
6 Sep 2022	Executive	Nunthorpe Neighbourhood Area	The decision concerns the designation of a neighbourhood area, for which a neighbourhood plan is being prepared and which will ultimately form part of the statutory development plan for the borough. The application has been made affecting 2 wards; as such, it is a key decision. This type of decision falls within the remit of the Executive.	Yes
6 Sep 2022	Executive	Final Report of the Children and Young People's Learning Scrutiny Panel - Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) - Service Response	Service Response	No
6 Sep 2022	Executive	Proposal to Progress the Development of Nunthorpe Community Centre	The reports seeks approval for the process to develop a community centre within the Nunthorpe Ward. The report sets out the previous process undertaken and the issues regarding this, the options for progressing forward, the recommendation and reaffirms the financial commitment available for the project.	Yes





## **SECTION 4 – DECISIONS TO BE TAKEN FOLLOWING THE COUNCIL MEETING**

DATE	PROPOSED DECISION MAKER	ISSUE	PURPOSE OF REPORT	KEY DECISION
4 Oct 2022	Executive	Poole Hospital Definitive Map Modification Order	Decision to progress with the DMMO	No
4 Oct 2022	Executive	Enhanced Youth Service	To present proposals for the new Enhanced Youth Service in Middlesbrough.	Yes
4 Oct 2022	Executive	50 Futures Expansion	Update and plans to expand the 50 Futures Work Experience programme	No
4 Oct 2022	Executive	Tree Maintenance	Executive to approve the re-establishment of an in-house Arboricultural team and in line with this, to approve any amendments to the Authorities current Tree Policy.	Yes
4 Oct 2022	Executive	Locality Working - Evaluation and Next Steps	To ask Executive to consider the evaluation of the pilot and to approve the next phase of Locality Working.	Yes
4 Oct 2022	Executive	Exempt - Expansion of the Digital Sector - Boho 11 Part B	To seek approval for the capital funding to progress with the expansion of the digital sector in Middlesbrough through the development and delivery of Boho 11.	Yes

DATE	PROPOSED DECISION MAKER	ISSUE	PURPOSE OF REPORT	KEY DECISION
4 Oct 2022	Executive	Expansion of the Digital Sector - Boho 11 Part A	To seek approval for the capital funding to progress with the expansion of the digital sector in Middlesbrough through the development and delivery of Boho 11.	Yes
4 Oct 2022	Executive	Improving our Highways	The report is going to Exec to approve our revised priority assessment process and to agree the forward works carriageway programme for our classified and strategic routes.	Yes
4 Oct 2022	Executive	Tees Advanced Manufacturing Park – Phase 2 Funding Agreement	Executive to approval an additional 1.5 million pounds of capital which will be repaired through retention through business rates of the enterprise zones site.	Yes
4 Oct 2022	Executive	Request to Increase Bereavement Services Charges in Year	As part of the 2022/23 Budget setting, the Council agreed a 1% inflation increase for chargeable services. The Service is requesting Executive to agree to a further in year increase of 5% due to increasing external charges & fees for the period October 2022 – March 2023. The purpose of the in-year increase is to assist the service area in achieving a balanced budget	Yes
4 Oct 2022	Executive Member for Finance and Governance	Revision to Community Benefit Policy Arising from Asset Disposal Policy	This report outlines amendments to the asset disposal policy to ensure that where assets are disposed above market value, the 3% community benefit expenditure is limited to local authority direct or procured provision only.	Yes
4 Oct 2022	Executive	Fair Cost of Care - Residential and Home Care Services	To provide an update on the fair cost of care exercise undertaken with both the residential care market and home care market within Adult Social Care	Yes
4 Oct 2022	Executive	Approval for consultation on the Draft Statement of Licensing Policy 2022-2027 and Cumulative Impact Assessment.	This report seeks Executive approval for the draft Statement of Licensing Act Policy 2022-27 for a period of consultation to be undertaken. It sets out the proposed changes to the Statement of Licensing Policy 2022-27 and the proposed Cumulative Impact Assessment which support the Cumulative Impact Policies in the town.	Yes

DATE	PROPOSED DECISION MAKER	ISSUE	PURPOSE OF REPORT	KEY DECISION
4 Oct 2022	Executive	Planning and Building Control Fees	The consideration of fees and financial implications is not an officer decision. As a consequence, it requires a member decision.	Yes
4 Oct 2022	Executive	Business Support Strategy	The Business Support Strategy sets out the Council's approach to providing support to businesses; identifying initiatives both internal and external that can support a business through its business journey with the aim of providing a simplified effective route to accessing financial assistance, early identification of need (including any welfare issues) and signposting to relevant partners and services to provide appropriate support and guidance	No
4 Oct 2022	Executive	TS1 PSPO Extension	Executive approves a reapplication as the current TS1 PSPO expires in October.	Yes
4 Oct 2022	Executive	Adult Social Care Reform Update	To update Executive of local progress against central government's Adult Social Care reform agenda and the planned commencement of inspections of Adult Social Care by the Care Quality Commission in 2023	Yes
4 Oct 2022	Executive	Designation of the Newport 2 Ward Area for a Selective Landlord Licensing Scheme	<p>Executive approval is required as this scheme is delivered via a legislative framework that requires organisational approval to start formal consultation prior to implementation.</p> <p>The proposed designation contributes both to Middlesbrough Council's Housing Strategy through improving the quality of the private rented sector and reducing fuel poverty. The designation will also contribute to reducing health and social inequalities by tackling deprivation in the least well-off areas; improving the quality of housing, environmental conditions and reducing crime and disorder which has a direct impact on health and wellbeing.</p>	No

DATE	PROPOSED DECISION MAKER	ISSUE	PURPOSE OF REPORT	KEY DECISION
4 Oct 2022	Executive	Final Report of the Culture and Communities Scrutiny Panel - Tough Enough? Enforcement in Middlesbrough and its Impact on Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour - Service Response	To present the final report of the Culture and Communities Scrutiny Panel following its investigation into 'Tough enough? Enforcement in Middlesbrough and its impact on crime and anti-social behaviour'.	No
4 Oct 2022	Executive	Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 - Serious Violence Duty	That the Executive Supports the proposals of the Serious Violence Duty implementation which will be managed by Middlesbrough's Community Safety Partnership	Yes
8 Nov 2022	Executive	Tees Valley Waste Report	To seek approval for MBC to enter with seven other councils a Special Purpose Vehicle company in order to manage the Tees Valley energy recovery facility that will be responsible for the disposal of Middlesbrough municipal waste.	Yes
8 Nov 2022	Executive	Middlehaven - Electricity Reinforcement Works	The report is seeking approval from Executive for funding to facilitate the upgrade of electricity provision in Middlehaven.	Yes
6 Dec 2022	Executive	Healthy Weight Declaration Adoption	This report outlines the purpose and process of signing up to the Healthy Weight Declaration in Middlesbrough.	Yes
TBC	Deputy Mayor and Executive Member for Children's Services	MISST Program	Single Member Decision required to allocate funding to this project.	No
TBC	Executive Member for Environment	Surveillance Policy 2022/23	The proposed policy will ensure that surveillance activity undertaken by the Council in pursuit of its strategic priorities is lawful and that due regard is given to human rights and to data protection rights.	No

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