

Schedule A Committee Membership 2025/26

City Council

Councillors: 78

Proposed day and time of meeting: **Wednesday 6:00pm**
 11 June 2025
 9 July 2025
 3 September 2025
 1 October 2025
 5 November 2025
 3 December 2025
 21 January 2026
 4 March 2026
 27 May 2026 at **2.00pm** - Annual Meeting

(A) Cabinet

(A) 1 Cabinet

Proposed day and time of meeting: Business meetings 3rd Monday at 6.00pm (with exceptions)

Cabinet Appointments - for information

Councillors: 10 (plus 2 Liberal Democrat Observers)

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Karen Kilgour	Leader of Council
Labour	Alex Hay	Deputy Leader of Council and Cabinet Member for Neighbourhood Services
Labour	Irim Ali	Cabinet Member for Communities
Labour	Dan Greenhough	Cabinet Member for Economy, Jobs and Skills
Labour	Lesley Storey	Cabinet Member for Children and Families
Labour	Paul Frew	Cabinet Member for Resources and Performance
Labour	Paula Maines	Cabinet Member for Housing
Labour	Juna Sathian	Cabinet Member for Climate and Transport
L:abour	Adam Walker	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care, Health and Prevention
Labour	Abdul Samad	Cabinet Member for Culture, Music and Arts
Liberal Democrat	Colin Ferguson	Observer
Liberal Democrat	Peter Lovatt	Observer

(A) 1.1 Ad-hoc Cabinet Committees (Discretionary Rate Relief, Licensing of Houses in Multiple Occupation and Selective Licensing)

Proposed day and time of meeting: As and when required.

Cabinet Appointments for information

Councillors: 4 Cabinet members

(B) Governance Committees

(B) 1 Constitutional Committee

Proposed day and time of meeting: Bi-monthly from July

Nominations (Councillors): 12 (6 + 4 + 1 +1)

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Lara Ellis	Chair
Labour	Barry Phillipson	Vice Chair
Labour	George Pattison	
Labour	Alexander Hay	
Labour	Karen Kilgour	
Labour	Alistair Chisholm	
Liberal Democrat	Colin Ferguson	Delegated Sub-Committee Member
Liberal Democrat	Peter Lovatt	
Liberal Democrat	Wendy Taylor	
Liberal Democrat	Tom Woodwark	
EEAIG	David Wood	
Newcastle Independents	Vacancy	

(B) 2 Audit and Standards Committee

Proposed day and time of meeting: As and when required

Nominations (Councillors): 7 (4 + 2 + 1) plus 3 independent cooptees (one to be Chair). Parish representative to observe for Standards issues.

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Alistair Chisholm	Vice-Chair
Labour	Joyce McCarty	
Labour	Andrew Herridge	
Labour	Hazel Stephenson	
Liberal Democrat	Peter Allen	
Liberal Democrat	Greg Stone	
EEAIG	Stevie Wood	
Independent Coptee	Leslie Watson	Independent Chair
Independent Coptee	John Rawling	Independent Vice-Chair
Independent Coptee	Alison Fellows	Independent Coptee

(C) Non-Executive Committees

(C) 1 Chief Executive's Appraisal Panel

Proposed day and time of meeting: As and when required

Nominations (Councillors): 3 (2+1)

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Karen Kilgour	Leader of the Council (Chair)
Labour	Alexander Hay	Deputy Leader (Vice Chair)
Liberal Democrat	Colin Ferguson	Leader of the Opposition

(C) 2 Planning Committee**Proposed day and time of meeting:** Friday 10:00am – every 3 weeks**Nominations (Councillors):** 13 (7 + 4 + 1 + 1)

Participation subject to relevant training for new members with attendance at annual update training

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Teresa Cairns	Chair
Labour	Linda Wright	Vice Chair
Labour	Barry Phillipson	Vice Chair
Labour	Paula Maines	
Labour	George Pattison	
Labour	Alistair Chisholm	
Labour	Milo Barnett	
Liberal Democrat	Doreen Huddart	Delegated Sub-Committee Member
Liberal Democrat	Henry Gallagher	
Liberal Democrat	P J Morrissey	
Liberal Democrat	Peter Allen	
Newcastle Independents	Vacancy	
EEAIG	Marion Williams	

(C) 2.1 Planning Delegated Sub-Committee**Proposed day and time of meeting:** As and when required**Nominations (Councillors):** 4 (3+1)

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Teresa Cairns	Chair
Labour	Linda Wright	Vice Chair
Labour	Barry Phillipson	Vice Chair
Liberal Democrat	Doreen Huddart	

(C) 2.2 Planning Enforcement Action Sub-Committee**Proposed day and time of meeting:** As and when required**Nominations (Councillors):** 4 (3+1)

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Teresa Cairns	Chair
Labour	Linda Wright	Vice Chair
Labour	Barry Phillipson	Vice Chair
Liberal Democrat	Doreen Huddart	

(C) 3 Licensing Committee**Proposed day and time of meeting:** As and when required

Nominations (Councillors): 13 (7 + 4 + 1 +1)

Individual applications will be considered by the **Licensing Sub-Committee** – meets twice per month on 2nd and 4th (Tuesday – from 9:30am to all day, with exceptions) comprising 3 Members from the full membership below. As far as possible each Sub-Committee meeting to be cross-Group and include the Chair or a Vice-Chair.

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	George Pattison	Chair
Labour	Steve Fairlie	Vice Chair
Labour	Stephen Barry-Stanners	Vice Chair
Labour	Rob Higgins	
Labour	Jacqui Robinson	
Labour	Hazel Stephenson	
Labour	Milo Barnett	
Liberal Democrat	Karen Robinson	
Liberal Democrat	Henry Gallagher	
Liberal Democrat	P J Morrissey	
Liberal Democrat	Vacancy	
Newcastle Independent	Adam Mitchell	
EEAIG	Nick Kemp	

(C) 4 Regulatory and Appeals (Sub) Committee

Proposed day and time of meeting: 1st and 3rd Mondays from 9:00am.

Nominations (Councillors): 13 (7 + 4 + 1 +1)

Applications and appeals will be considered by a 3 member **Regulatory and Appeals Sub-committee** drawn from the full membership below. As far as possible each Sub-Committee meeting to be cross-Group and include the Chair or a Vice-Chair. Members must be able to attend a minimum of one meeting every three months.

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Linda Wright	Chair
Labour	Jacqui Robinson	Vice Chair
Labour	Rob Higgins	Vice Chair
Labour	Andrew Herridge	
Labour	George Pattison	
Labour	Paula Maines	
Labour	Adam Walker	
Liberal Democrat	Karen Robinson	
Liberal Democrat	Henry Gallagher	
Liberal Democrat	Peter Allen	
Liberal Democrat	Rob Austin	
Green	Khalid Musharraf	Newcastle Independents place
EEAIG	Nick Kemp	

(C)5 Health and Wellbeing Board

Proposed day and time of meeting: Six meetings per annum

Organisation/Sector	Member	Comments
Newcastle City Council Elected Members	Leader of the Council (Chair)	Statutory
	Deputy Leader of the Council (Vice Chair)	
	Cabinet member with responsibility for health	
	Elected Member from the Opposition Doreen Huddart	
Newcastle City Council Officers	Chief Executive Officer	Statutory
	Director of Public Health (DPH)	
	Director of Adult Social Care and Prevention	
	Director of Children and Families	
North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Partnership	Director of Place (Newcastle)	Statutory
Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	Chief Executive Officer	
Cumbria, Northumberland and Tyneside Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust	Chief Executive Officer	
Primary Care Networks	A representative	
NHS England	A representative	Statutory
Health Watch	A senior representative	Statutory
Community and Voluntary Sector	Connected Voice Chief Executive	
	One other representative chosen through Connected Voice	
Newcastle University	A senior representative	
Northumbria University	A senior representative	
Newcastle College	A senior representative	
Northumbria Police	A senior representative	
Local Pharmaceutical Committee	A senior representative	

(C) 6 Climate Change Committee

Proposed day and time of meeting: 1st Thursday 4.15pm - bi-monthly

Nominations (Councillors): 12 (6 + 4 + 1 +1)

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Stephen Powers	Chair
Labour	Rebecca Shatwell	Vice Chair
Labour	Juna Sathian	
Labour	Rob Higgins	
Labour	Teresa Cairns	
Green	Nick Hartley	
Liberal Democrat	Gareth Kane	
Liberal Democrat	Wendy Taylor	
Liberal Democrat	Mike Cookson	
Liberal Democrat	James Coles	
Newcastle Independent	Vacancy	
EEAIG	Marion Williams	

(D) Scrutiny Committees

(D) 1 Overview and Scrutiny Coordination Committee

Proposed day and time of meeting: 4th Thursday 3.00pm – monthly

Nominations (Councillors): 13 (7 + 4 + 1 + 1) Plus 4 statutory education co-optees (who have voting rights on any education matters). Membership to include the Chair and Vice Chairs of Scrutiny committees

Position	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Claire Penn-Evans	Vice Chair
Labour	Stephen Lambert	Vice Chair Economy, Jobs and Skills
Labour	Joyce McCarty	Vice Chair Finance and Budget Monitoring
Labour	Andrew Herridge	Vice Chair Health and Social Care
Labour	Nabeela Ali	
Labour	Milo Barnett	
Labour	Rob Higgins	
Liberal Democrat	Colin Ferguson	Chair
Liberal Democrat	Mark Mitchell	
Liberal Democrat	Wendy Taylor	
Liberal Democrat	Greg Stone	
Newcastle Independents	Vacancy	
EEAIG	Marion Williams	

(D) 1.1 Scrutiny Sub Committees and/or Task and Finish Groups

Proposed day and time of meeting: As and when required

Nominations (Councillors): Membership to be drawn from all non-executive members who agree to put themselves forward with the support of their groups, where appropriate.

(D) 2 Health and Social Care Scrutiny Committee

Proposed day and time of meeting: 2nd Thursday 4:30pm – monthly

Nominations (Councillors): 10 (6 + 3 + 1)

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Lara Ellis	
Labour	Andrew Herridge	Vice-Chair
Labour	Teresa Cairns	
Labour	Alistair Chisholm	
Labour	Mehrbab Sadiq	
Labour	Vacancy	
Liberal Democrat	Wendy Taylor	Chair
Liberal Democrat	Ali Avaei	
Liberal Democrat	Doreen Huddart	
EEAIG	Marion Williams	

(D) 3 Finance and Budget Monitoring Scrutiny Committee**Proposed day and time of meeting:** 1st Tuesday 4.30pm - monthly**Nominations (Councillors):** 10 (6 + 3 + 1)

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Joyce McCarty	Vice-Chair
Labour	Rob Higgins	
Labour	Stephen Powers	
Labour	Linda Hobson	
Labour	Susan Anthony	
Labour	Stephen Barry-Stanners	
Liberal Democrat	Mark Mitchell	Chair
Liberal Democrat	Gareth Kane	
Liberal Democrat	Colin Ferguson	
EEAIG	Nick Kemp	

(D) 4 Economy, Jobs and Skills Scrutiny Committee**Proposed day and time of meeting:** 2nd Monday 4.30pm - monthly**Nominations (Councillors):** 10 (6 + 3 + 1)

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Stephen Lambert	Vice Chair
Labour	Rob Higgins	
Labour	Jacqui Robinson	
Labour	Vacancy	
Labour	Vacancy	
Labour	Vacancy	
Liberal Democrat	Greg Stone	Chair
Liberal Democrat	Peter Lovatt	
Liberal Democrat	Mike Cookson	
EEAIG	Nick Kemp	

(E) Ward Committees**(E) 1 Arthur's Hill Ward Committee****Proposed day and time of meeting:** TBC**Nominations (Councillors):** All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Abdul Samad	
Labour	Joanne Kingsland	
Labour	Stephen Powers	

(E) 2 Benwell and Scotswood Ward Committee**Proposed day and time of meeting:** TBC**Nominations (Councillors):** All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Hazel Stephenson	
Labour	Rob Higgins	
Labour	Susan Anthony	

(E) 3 Blakelaw Ward Committee**Proposed day and time of meeting:** TBC**Nominations (Councillors):** All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Juna Sathian	
Labour	Linda Hobson	
EEAIG	Marion Williams	

(E) 4 Byker Ward Committee**Proposed day and time of meeting:** TBC**Nominations (Councillors):** All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments
EEAIG	Nick Kemp	
Labour	Hayder Qureshi	
Green	Nick Hartley	

(E) 5 Callerton & Throckley Ward Committee**Proposed day and time of meeting:** TBC**Nominations (Councillors):** All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Stephen Fairlie	
Labour	Linda Wright	
Labour	Adam Walker	

(E) 6 Castle Ward Committee**Proposed day and time of meeting:** TBC**Nominations (Councillors):** All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments
Liberal Democrats	Ali Avaei	
Independent	Thom Campion	
Labour	Andrew Herridge	

(E) 7 Chapel Ward Committee**Proposed day and time of meeting:** TBC**Nominations (Councillors):** All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments
Independent	Marc Donnelly	
Independent	Lawrence Hunter	
Independent	Margaret Donnelly	

(E) 8 Dene & South Gosforth Ward Committee**Proposed day and time of meeting:** TBC**Nominations (Councillors):** All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments
Liberal Democrats	Henry Gallagher	
Liberal Democrats	Karen Robinson	
Liberal Democrats	Wendy Taylor	

(E) 9 Denton and Westerhope Ward Committee**Proposed day and time of meeting:** TBC**Nominations (Councillors):** All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Dan Greenhough	
Newcastle Independents	Tracey Mitchell	
Newcastle Independents	Adam Mitchell	

(E) 10 Elswick Ward Committee**Proposed day and time of meeting:** TBC**Nominations (Councillors):** All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments
Independent	Habib Rahman	
Labour	Miriam Mafemba	
Green	Khaled Musharraf	

(E) 11 Fawdon & West Gosforth Ward Committee**Proposed day and time of meeting:** TBC**Nominations (Councillors):** All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments
Liberal Democrats	Peter Lovatt	
Liberal Democrats	John Hall	PTO

Liberal Democrats	Rob Austin	
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(E) 12 Gosforth Ward Committee

Proposed day and time of meeting: TBC

Nominations (Councillors): All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments
Liberal Democrats	Colin Ferguson	
Liberal Democrats	Tom Woodward	
Conservative	Doc Anand	

(E) 13 Heaton Ward Committee

Proposed day and time of meeting: TBC

Nominations (Councillors): All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Lara Ellis	
Labour	Clare Penny-Evans	
Labour	Mehrbab Sadiq	

(E) 14 Kenton Ward Committee

Proposed day and time of meeting: TBC

Nominations (Councillors): All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Ged Bell	
Labour	Stephen Lambert	
Labour	Paula Maines	

(E) 15 Kingston Park South & Newbiggin Hall Ward Committee

Proposed day and time of meeting: TBC

Nominations (Councillors): All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Alex Hay	
Labour	George Pattison	
Labour	Jacqui Robinson	

(E) 16 Lemington Ward Committee

Proposed day and time of meeting: TBC

Nominations (Councillors): All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Barry Philipson	
Newcastle Independents	Nix Joanne	
Labour	Steven John Barry-Stanners	

(E) 17 Manor Park Ward Committee

Proposed day and time of meeting: TBC

Nominations (Councillors): All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments	PTO
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Liberal Democrats	Doreen Huddart	
Liberal Democrats	Greg Stone	
Liberal Democrat	Deborah Burns	

(E) 18 Monument Ward Committee

Proposed day and time of meeting: TBC

Nominations (Councillors): All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments
Independent	Jane Byrne	
Labour	Teresa Cairns	
Labour	Nabeela Ali	

(E) 19 North Jesmond Ward Committee

Proposed day and time of meeting: TBC

Nominations (Councillors): All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments
Liberal Democrat	Peter Allen	
Liberal Democrat	Philip Browne	
Liberal Democrat	James Benedict Coles	

(E) 20 Ouseburn Ward Committee

Proposed day and time of meeting: TBC

Nominations (Councillors): All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Alistair Chisholm	
Liberal Democrats	Mike Cookson	
Liberal Democrat	Gareth Kane	

(E) 21 Parklands Ward Committee

Proposed day and time of meeting: TBC

Nominations (Councillors): All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments
Liberal Democrats	Pauline Allen	
Liberal Democrats	Robin Ashby	
Liberal Democrats	Christine Morrissey	

(E) 22 South Jesmond Ward Committee

Proposed day and time of meeting: TBC

Nominations (Councillors): All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Laura Cummings	
Labour	Lesley Storey	
Labour	Milo Jasper Barnett	

(E) 23 Walker Ward Committee**Proposed day and time of meeting:** TBC**Nominations (Councillors):** All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments
EEAIG	John Stokel Walker	
EEAIG	David Wood	
EEAIG	Margaret Wood	

(E) 24 Walkergate Ward Committee**Proposed day and time of meeting:** TBC**Nominations (Councillors):** All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Paul Frew	
Labour	Maureen Lowson	
EEAIG	Stevie Wood	

(E) 25 West Fenham Ward Committee**Proposed day and time of meeting:** TBC**Nominations (Councillors):** All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Karen Kilgour	
Liberal Democrat	Mark Mitchell	
Liberal Democrat	PJ Morrissey	

(E) 26 Wingrove Ward Committee**Proposed day and time of meeting:** TBC**Nominations (Councillors):** All Ward Councillors

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Irim Ali	
Labour	Joyce McCarty	
Labour	Rebecca Shatwell	

(F) Advisory Committees**(F) 1 Newcastle City Learning****Proposed day and time of meeting:** 3 times per year (date/time TBC)**Nominations (Councillors):** 3 (2+1) plus 10 other members.

Group	Name/Councillor	Comments
Labour	Dan Greenhough	Cabinet Member/Chair
Labour	Stephen Lambert	
Liberal Democrat	Deborah Burns	

(F) 2 Corporate Parent Advisory Committee**Proposed day and time of meeting:** Last Thursday at 5.30 pm – bi-monthly (with exceptions)**Nominations (Councillors):** 9 (5 + 3 + 1)

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Lesley Storey	Cabinet Member
Labour	Joanne Kingsland	Chair
Labour	Susan Anthony	
Labour	Rob Higgins	
Labour	Laura Cummings	
Liberal Democrat	Peter Lovatt	
Liberal Democrat	Wendy Taylor	
Liberal Democrat	Christine Morrissey	
EEAIG	Marion Williams	
Co-opted Young Person		(No voting rights)

(F) 3 Mansion House Trust Advisory Committee**Proposed day and time of meeting:** as and when required**Nominations (Councillors):** 3 (2+1) plus Lord Mayor and 3 external advisors

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Lesley Storey	Chair and Director of the Newcastle Mansion House Trading Company Limited
Labour	Milo Barnett	Vice Chair, Ward Member
Liberal Democrat	Philip Browne	Ward Member
n/a	Malcolm Lumsden	External adviser
n/a	Vacancy	External adviser
n/a	Vacancy	External adviser

(G) Joint Consultative Committees**(G) 1 Council Joint Committee****Proposed day and time of meeting:** 3 per year – Jan/May/Sept**Nominations (Councillors):** 4 (3+1)

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Karen Kilgour	Chair, Leader of Council PTO

Labour	Alex Hay	Vice Chair, Deputy Leader of Council
Labour	Paul Frew	Cabinet Member
Liberal Democrat	Peter Lovatt	

(H) Informal Groups

(H) 1 Town Moor Joint Working Group

Proposed day and time of meeting: 2 times per year

Nominations (Councillors): 5 (3 + 2)

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Abdul Samad	Chair/Cabinet Member
Labour	Rebecca Shatwell	Vice Chair
Labour	Ged Bell	
Liberal Democrat	Karen Robinson	
Liberal Democrat	Philip Browne	

(H) 2 Voluntary Sector Liaison Group

Proposed day and time of meeting: Quarterly 2nd Thursday

Nominations (Councillors): 6 (4+2)

Membership to comprise 4 Cabinet Members, 2 opposition representatives and 6 voluntary sector members one of whom is Co-Chair

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour		Cabinet Member
Labour		Cabinet Member
Labour		Cabinet Member
Labour	Irim Ali	Co-Chair Cabinet Member
Liberal Democrat	Rob Austin	
Liberal Democrat	Mike Cookson	

(H) 3 Historic Environment Advisory Panel

Proposed day and time of meeting: Quarterly

Nominations (Councillors): 5 (3 + 2) plus 7 external members

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Steve Fairlie	Chair
Labour	Stephen Lambert	Vice chair
Labour	Rob Higgins	
Liberal Democrat	Pauline Allen	
Liberal Democrat	Greg Stone	

(H) 4 Newcastle Housing Forum

Proposed day and time of meeting: Six monthly and in person

Nominations (Councillors): 4 (3+1)

Group	Councillor	Comments
Labour	Paula Maines	Chair and Cabinet member
Labour	Teresa Cairns	
Labour	Hayder Qureshi	PTO

Liberal Democrat	Doreen Huddart	
Liberal Democrat	Rob Austin	Substitute