

**Decisions taken under Cabinet  
authority to take effect on  
14 September 2022**

Decisions of the meeting of the Cabinet held  
at 9.30 am on Tuesday, 6th September, 2022  
at the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Stone  
Cross, Rotary Way, Northallerton, DL6 2UU

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**Present**

Councillor M S Robson (in the Chair)

Councillor	P R Wilkinson	Councillor	S Watson
	M G Taylor		D A Webster
	P R Thompson		

**Also in Attendance**

Councillor	P Atkin	Councillor	Mrs B S Fortune
	M A Barningham		G Ramsden
	D B Elders		

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Mrs I Sanderson

**CA.21 Minutes**

**The Decision:**

That the decisions of the meeting held on 5 July 2022 (CA.9 – CA.17),  
previously circulated, be signed as a correct record.

**CA.22 Hackney Carriage Table of Fares**

All Wards

**The subject of the decision:**

This report asked Cabinet to consider the four objections to the proposed  
Hackney Carriage Table of Fares.

**Alternative options considered:**

The options that were considered were as detailed within the report.

**The reason for the decision:**

To comply with the requirements of section 65 of the Local Government  
(Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 and section 9D of the Local Government  
Act 2000 regarding the setting of Hackney Carriage Fares.

**The decision:**

That Cabinet approves that the Hackney Carriage Table of Fares contained in Annex A to the report be approved to take effect from 1st October 2022.

CA.23 **Annual report on the Audit, Governance and Standards Committee's activities for 2021/22**

All Wards

**The subject of the decision:**

This report provided an analysis of the work undertaken by the Audit, Governance and Standards Committee up to 31 March 2022.

**Alternative options considered:**

None.

**The reason for the decision:**

To comply with the Council's Constitution and the Terms of Reference of the Audit, Governance and Standards Committee to report annually to Cabinet.

**The decision:**

That the report of the Audit, Governance and Standards Committee be endorsed.

CA.24 **Discretionary Council Tax Rebate Scheme - Support for Energy Bills**

All Wards

**The subject of the decision:**

This report set out the proposed Discretionary Council Tax Rebate Discretionary scheme criteria that was being recommended for approval.

**Alternative options considered:**

None.

**The reason for the decision:**

To comply with the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities 'Support for Energy Bills – The Council Tax Rebate 2022-23: Billing Authority Guidance' which set out how authorities should administer the Council Tax Rebate and associated Discretionary Fund for households as part of a package of support for rising energy costs.

**The decision:**

That Cabinet:-

- (1) approves the proposed Council Tax Rebate Discretionary Fund 2022-23 scheme as set out in the report; and
- (2) delegates authority to the Council's Section 151 Officer to make amendments to the Council Tax Rebate Discretionary Scheme eligibility criteria to ensure that government funding is directed to support vulnerable households, if needed.

CA.25 **Business Rates - S47 Discretionary Rate Relief – Heat Network Relief**  
All Wards

**The subject of the decision:**

This report sought approval for the changes to the Discretionary Rates Relief policy to reflect the introduction of a Discretionary Rate Relief scheme giving business rate relief for properties that were used for the purpose of a heat network.

**Alternative options considered:**

None.

**The reason for the decision:**

To take account of the expectation from Central Government that billing authorities use their discretionary relief powers under Section 47 of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 to award this relief where a business meets the eligibility criteria as determined by Central Government.

**The decision:**

That Cabinet approves the adoption of the heat network rate relief for 2022/23 only and to the change to the Non Domestic Discretionary Relief policy to include the new heat network rate relief for 2022/23 as per Government guidance.

The meeting closed at 9.55 am

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Leader of the Council