



FRESHNEY PLACE CABINET SUB COMMITTEE

DECISION NOTICE

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At a meeting of the Freshney Place Cabinet Sub Committee held on the 13th March 2026 the following matters were discussed. The decisions of the Cabinet Sub Committee are set out below each item along with reasons for the decision and other options considered.

Present: Councillor Jackson (in the Chair)

Councillors Harness and Shepherd.

DN.SC.11 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence received for this meeting.

DN.SC.12 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest from any Councillor for this meeting.

DN.SC.13 MINUTES

The minutes of the Freshney Place Cabinet Sub Committee meeting on 16th July 2025 were agreed as a correct record.

DN.SC.14 FRESHNEY PLACE BUSINESS PLAN

Freshney Place Cabinet Sub Committee considered a report from Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Economy, Regeneration, Devolution and Skill asking the subcommittee to note and approve the Annual Review 2025 & Business Plan 2026.

RESOLVED –

- 1. That the Annual Review 2025 & Business Plan 2026 set out in Appendix 1 to this report now submitted be noted.**
- 2. That the Annual Review 2025 & Business Plan 2026, be approved and that the Interim Chief Executive, acting through her Assistant Directors of Regeneration, Finance, and Law and Governance, in consultation with the Leader of the Council be delegated authority to implement and to bring another report by way of update within 12 months.**

REASONS FOR DECISION - To support the continuation of achieving optimum performance of Freshney Place, whilst strategically driving the tenant mix towards a more varied visitor experience.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED – The Annual Report and Business Plan has been prepared by experienced and qualified Asset Managers who are considered essential in ensuring the Council has visibility of how the centre is performing and is planning ahead. During preparation of the document a variety of strategies were considered by the Asset Manager, and they have presented what they consider to be the optimum approach. The Council could choose not to require such documents, but it is considered this would be a sub-optimal approach to the management of the asset.

DN.SC.15 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED – That the press and public be requested to leave on the grounds that discussion of the following business was likely to disclose exempt information within paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

DN.SC.16 FRESHNEY PLACE BUSINESS PLAN

Freshney Place Cabinet Sub Committee considered an appendix to the report referred to at DN.SC.14.

RESOLVED – That the appendix be noted.