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**Monday, 12 January 2026**

**Chair: Councillor P Peacock**

**Members of the Committee:**

**Councillor R Cozens  
Councillor S Crosby  
Councillor L Brazier  
Councillor S Forde**

**Councillor C Penny  
Councillor P Taylor  
Councillor J Kellas**

<b>MEETING:</b>	<b>Cabinet</b>
<b>DATE:</b>	<b>Tuesday, 20 January 2026 at 6.00 pm</b>
<b>VENUE:</b>	<b>Civic Suite, Castle House, Great North Road, Newark, NG24 1BY</b>
<p><b>You are hereby requested to attend the above Meeting to be held at the time/place and on the date mentioned above for the purpose of transacting the business on the Agenda as overleaf.</b></p> <p><b>If you have any queries please contact <a href="mailto:nigel.hill@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk">nigel.hill@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk</a>.</b></p>	

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'To consider resolving that, under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item

of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.’

Category of “Exempt Information” Under Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended

3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

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