EXTRAORDINARY MEETING - CABINET

24TH November 2026 – 7:00PM

FURTHER LATE COMMUNICATIONS SUMMARY

Regeneration Partnership (Capital and Centric) Gateway 1 Report

A total of four emails have been received following publication of the report for Cabinet. A summary of the points raised from these emails are below:

- Strong public opposition (around 90%) and calls to formally close the current Capital and Centric schemes rather than simply note the report
- Concerns over the £1m already spent without parking / bus strategies or proper economic assessment in place
- The need for any future proposals to put community needs first, protect key car parking and bus infrastructure, and focus only on genuinely derelict sites
- Demands for full transparency in the independent review and clearer accountability for any future gateway projects.

How these matter will be addressed

The concerns raised are recognised and are being addressed through a combination of the recommendations before Cabinet, the separate independent review and the Council's approach to any future regeneration activity.

The extraordinary Cabinet Meeting of the 24 November 2026 will consider the Gateway 1 report which includes an economic assessment and officers have recommended not to progress the current schemes.

The independent review will consider governance, value for money, contractual performance and lessons learned for future projects.