Digital Newcastle - Summary of priority projects to promote digital change and enable financial savings

Workstream	Project	Summary narrative
Digital by Choice - Front facing customer services	Community Hubs	Exploring opportunity to provide a coordinated, targeted and consistent information, advice and referral system cross the city in partnership with other agencies. Universal offer to be based around digital self-service, with targeted provision to those who most need it.
	Civic Centre CSC	Using digital to redesign service provision to reduce demand, promote self-service and support relocation to City Library.
	Channel shift – Top 32 (revised) • Document verification • Customer portal • Webchat • 'Envirocall'	Continue to improve our digital offer to customers to improve the customer experience and reduce customer contact.
	Telephony to support Digital by Choice	Using telephony to support and promote the transition from face to face to online self-service. Providing support to people where service required is not available online or where we would choose to maintain personal contact. Considering future role and remit of NCC and YHN provision and improved ways of working.
Internal efficiency	Digital First – shared technology platform	Streamlining and automating internal business processes - first project looking at Manager and Employee Self Service.
	 Digital payments – phase 2 Petty Cash Payment Cards for social care 'Other' cash payments 	Building on removal of cashiering function to further reduce costs of processing cash transactions, while ensuring appropriate digital inclusion support.
	Mobile working Social care 	Consolidating an approach to mobile working which supports Agile working ambitions, increases productivity and improves the customer experience.

	Local Services	
	New opportunities	
	Digital Document	As a Council we want a document management approach which means that the right
	Management	documents are stored for the maximum appropriate length of time, in the most
	Hybrid Mail - dealing	suitable format, so that the volume of physical storage is reduced, information is
	with Post at first	appropriately accessible and costs are minimised. This supports our Civic Centre
	point	accommodation ambitions and paper free working.
	DigiMembers	Completing deployment of tablet devices and working to maximise usage in advance
	Digital papers	of Courier finishing in May 2016. Developing network of Member Digital Champions
	Digital Democracy (Ncl Univ)	and ensuring that Officers change the way they work to support Members work in a paper free way.
		Explore use of the research capacity at Newcastle University in relation to Digital
		Democracy.
Social Care	NHS/Social Care	Awaiting further confirmation of requirements. Anticipated need to develop Digital
	Interoperability	Roadmap
	Exploiting telecare and	Understanding the opportunity to maximise use of telecare technology where this
	data	remains in place to support service users on a more preventative basis and allowing
		more targeted interventions.
	Effective prioritisation of	Understanding how technology can help manage demand, including effective
	resources	prioritisation of 'waiting lists'
	Streamlining systems and	(Link to Digital First - internal efficiency)
-	processes	
Supporting	"Newcastle Trading	Ensuring that digital challenge is fundamental part of business case development
commercialisation	Company" readiness	process
	Building and Commercial	Enabling significant budget savings through more responsive deployment of
	Enterprise	resources and streamlined ways of working.
	Dynamic Scheduling	
	New ways of working	Enchling cignificant budget equippe through improved permant entires and
	Car Parking	Enabling significant budget savings through improved payment options and
		commercial pay to park models. Links to Digital First - transactions in relation to
Smart City	Digital Parks (Newcastle	permit processing. Developing infrastructure to support community mobilisation and participation, to
(Council and City	University)	reduce demand for Council capacity and facilitate mutual spin out.
Council and only	University)	

perspective)	Citywide data capture	Understanding how digital technology can reduce the need for physical interventions
perspective)	Internet of Things	- for example, through the use of 'smart' technology and sensors, or by 2 way data
	Data exchange	exchange with communities. Examples could include regulation and enforcement activities, building control, security/smart bollards, smart boilers or data capture by means of 'surveys'. Need to be clear on financial business case for technology vs. human resource costs.
	Transport	How we maximise the use of Urban Traffic Management centre (UTMC) data to inform City planning and service delivery.
	Tenant Broadband (YHN)	YHN has an aspiration to provide affordable (and ideally free) basic internet access to all tenants to overcome significant digital exclusion and support transition to digital services.
	Go Digital Public Wi-Fi	Completing the deployment of external Go Digital free public Wi-Fi and maximising take up through communications campaign. Using data and analytics to inform service change and economic development.
Foundations	Digital skills and inclusion	Making a more public commitment to developing digital skills of workforce and
	 Internal External European Funding 	residents using a multi-faceted approach from broad digital awareness to technical training, underpinned by a developing internal and external networks of 'digital friends' and external partnerships.
	Web development	Continuing to develop our web and social media presence as a primary gateway to Council services
	Exploiting Office 365 and deploying new features and functionality	Deploying new features and functionality, and continuing to exploit Office 365 as part of Digital Skills and Inclusion agenda
	Data and analytics Business Intelligence Open data Shared data Family insights Social Finance 	Continuing to build on and expand our use of data and analytics to facilitate public service reform, including involving the Newcastle 2020 group, Core Cities, the local developer community and Newcastle University.
	Applications consolidation	Continuing to enable savings from ongoing challenge of ICT applications
	Digital to support devolution deal	Understanding and enabling the digital requirements to support devolution including the National Institute for Smart Data Innovation.