



People in the North East want to have more say about how things are done. The North East Devolution deal means that the 7 different councils will work together to have more say on what happens here.

We have 7 different council for each area of the North East; Northumberland, Newcastle, North Tyneside, South Tyneside, Gateshead, Sunderland, and Durham



NORTH OF TYNE

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## **COMBINED AUTHORITY**

We already have 2 groups of councils called combined Authorities. The **North of Tyne combined Authority**, which is Newcastle, Northumberland and North Tyneside.

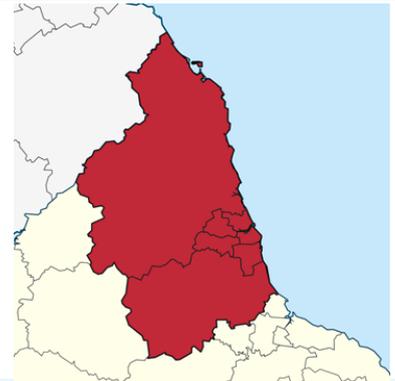
The other is the **North East Combined Authority (NECA)**, which is Durham, Gateshead, South Tyneside and Sunderland.





All 7 councils will come together to make a new **North East Mayoral Combined Authority (NEMCA)**. This means that it will have leader called a **Mayor**.

The new group will cover a big area, about 3,000 square miles, from the Tees Valley to the border of Scotland.



In 2024, they will choose a new Mayor. We will vote to decide which person we would like to be the Mayor.

The Mayor will speak for almost 2 million people in this big area.  
**That's a lot of people**

