DECISION SESSION - CABINET MEMBER FOR FINANCE & PERFORMANCE

THURSDAY, 29 MAY 2014

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Decision Session Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance held on Thursday, 29 May 2014. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

Members are reminded that, should they wish to call in a key decision, notice must be given to Democracy Support Group no later than 4pm on the second working day after this meeting.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Jayne Carr.

4. AMENDMENT TO THE QUALIFYING CRITERIA OF THE YORK FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SCHEME (YFAS)

Resolved: That the change to the qualifying criteria under the York Financial Assistance Scheme to consider "Emergency" awards for some customers whose Department for Works and Pension benefit had been subjected to a sanction, be approved.

Reasons:

- (i) To ensure there is no gap in provision of urgent financial resources available to City of York Council's most vulnerable residents at times of crisis.
- (ii) To mitigate the impacts of wide range welfare benefits changes.
- (iii) To meet the priorities set down in the Council Plan and Financial Inclusion Strategy.