City of York Council	Committee Minutes
Meeting	Decision Session - Leader (incorporating Finance and Performance)
Date	14 March 2016
Present	Councillor Steward

20. Declarations of Interest

The Executive Leader was asked to declare any personal interests not included on the Register of Interests, any prejudicial interests or any disclosable pecuniary interests that he may have in the business on the agenda. None were declared.

21. Minutes

Resolved: That the minutes of the Decision Session held on 22 February 2016 be approved and signed as a correct record.

22. Public Participation

It was reported that there were no registrations to speak at the meeting under the council's Public Participation Scheme.

23. Application for Community Right to Bid under the Localism Act 2011 - The Derwent Arms Public House, Osbaldwick

The Executive Leader considered a report that presented an application by Osbaldwick Parish Council to list The Derwent Arms Public House, 39 Osbaldwick Village, Osbaldwick as an Asset of Community Value (ACV). The Executive Leader had previously given his approval for the public house to be included on the list of Assets of Community Value but, due to an administrative error, it was necessary for the application to be represented for approval.

- Resolved: That the application to list the Derwent Arms Public House as an Asset of Community Value (ACV) be approved.
- Reasons: (i) As the criteria had been met for the reasons set out in the report.
 - (ii) To ensure the Council meets its legislative requirements of the Localism Act 2011 and promotes community access to community facilities.

24. Endeavour House, George Cayley Drive and ADVA Building, Kettlestring Lane - Applications to remove restrictive covenants

The Executive Leader considered a report which set out details of two applications to lift restrictive covenants of office sites on Clifton Moor for low-cost residential development. The application was in accordance with the Asset Management Policy on lifting restrictive covenants on Clifton Moor and capital receipts had been agreed in accordance with the policy.

The Executive Leader considered the options open to him, as detailed in paragraphs 14 and 15 of the report.

- Resolved: That the request to remove following restrictive covenants be approved:
 - Endeavour House, George Cayley Drive (for a capital sum of £13,500)
 - ADVA building, Clifton Technology Centre, Kettlestring Lane (for a capital sum of £44,262)
- Reason: To enable the provision of apartments at reasonable cost in an area of surplus office accommodation.

25. Urgent Business - City of York Trading Company

An item had been included on the agenda under urgent business in response to the Public Interest Report issued by the council's external auditor on 26 February 2016 (www.york.gov.uk/MazarsReport). The item had requested that the Executive Leader gave consideration to retrospectively authorising the payments that were made to two directors of CYC Trading Company who were additionally employed by City of York Council.

The Executive Leader stated that he felt that this matter should be referred to the Executive for consideration and hence the decision would be made after the Public Interest Report had been discussed at the next Full Council meeting.

- Resolved: That this item be referred to the Executive for consideration.
- Reason: It was the Executive Leader's view that this matter was one which should be considered by the Executive.

Executive Leader [The meeting started at 5.30 pm and finished at 5.35 pm].