



**Notice of meeting of
Decision Session - Cabinet Member for Leisure, Culture & Social
Inclusion**

To: Councillor Crisp (Cabinet Member)

Date: Tuesday, 13 December 2011

Time: 4.30 pm

Venue: The Guildhall, York.

AGENDA

Notice to Members-Calling In

Members are reminded that, should they wish to call in any item on this agenda, notice must be given to Democracy Support Group by;

10.00 am on Monday 12 December 2011, if an item is called in before a decision is taken, or

4.00 pm on Thursday 15 December 2011, if an item is called in after a decision has been taken.

Items called in will be considered by the Scrutiny Management Committee.

Written representations in respect of items on this agenda should be submitted to Democratic Services by **Friday 9 December 2011** at **5.00 pm**.

1. Declarations of Interest (Pages 1 - 2)

At this point, the Cabinet Member is asked to declare any personal or prejudicial interest they may have in the business on the agenda.

- 2. Minutes** (Pages 3 - 4)
To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 8 November 2011.

- 3. Public Participation-Decision Session**
At this point in the meeting, members of the public who have registered their wish to speak at the meeting can do so. The deadline for registering is **Monday 12 December 2011 at 5.00 pm.**

Members of the public may register to speak on :-

- an item on the agenda
- an issue within the Cabinet Member's remit;
- an item that has been published on the Information Log since the last session.

Information reports are listed at the end of the agenda.

- 4. Update on York and the 2012 Games** (Pages 5 - 12)
This report outlines the programme of activities being undertaken in York to support the Cultural Olympiad, the 2012 Olympic Games, and Paralympic Games being held in London.

- 5. Improving York's Green Spaces: Use of Section 106 Funds** (Pages 13 - 22)
This report is brought to the Cabinet Member in response to the policy paper *Improving York's Green Spaces: Use of Section 106 funds* agreed at the July Cabinet Member decision session for Leisure, Culture and Social Inclusion. It seeks the approval of the Cabinet Member to use Section 106 payments to improve York's green spaces as set out in Annex 1 to the report.

- 6. Any other business which the Chair considers urgent under the Local Government Act 1972**

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- Registering to speak
- Business on the agenda
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- Copies of reports

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Cabinet Member Decision Session: Leisure, Culture and Social Inclusion

Agenda Item 1: Declarations of Interest

The Cabinet Member, Councillor Crisp, declared a personal interest as a retired member of UNISON.

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City of York Council

Committee Minutes

MEETING	DECISION SESSION - CABINET MEMBER FOR LEISURE, CULTURE & SOCIAL INCLUSION
DATE	8 NOVEMBER 2011
PRESENT	COUNCILLOR CRISP (CABINET MEMBER)

18. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Cabinet Member was asked to declare any personal or prejudicial interests she might have in the business on the agenda.

She declared her standing personal interest as a retired member of UNISON.

No other interests were declared.

19. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Decision Session-Cabinet Member for Leisure, Culture and Social Inclusion held on 11 October 2011 be signed by the Cabinet Member as a correct record.

20. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION-DECISION SESSION

It was reported that there had been no registrations under the Council's Public Participation Scheme.

21. YORK 800

The Cabinet Member received a report on the outline programme and budget for the programme of York 800 activities in 2012.

Officers circulated an updated programme of events to the Cabinet Member. This document was attached to the agenda following the meeting.

The Cabinet Member expressed her delight at the programme of events and thanked Officers for the work they had done.

RESOLVED: That the outline programme of events and request for additional funds be approved.

REASON: To celebrate this historic event in the civic life of the city and to engage the whole community in the planned activities.

Councillor S Crisp, Cabinet Member
[The meeting started at 4.30 pm and finished at 4.35 pm].



**Decision Session Cabinet Member for
Leisure, Culture and Social Inclusion**

13 December 2011

Report of the Assistant Director (Communities and Culture)

Update on York 2012 and the Olympics

Summary

1. This report outlines the programme of activities being undertaken in York to support the Cultural Olympiad, the 2012 Olympic Games, and Paralympic Games being held in London.

Background

2. The Olympic Games are the largest sporting event in the world. Although in 2012 they are taking place in London we have been working with partners to ensure that some connection and benefits are felt in Yorkshire. In 2009 the Yorkshire Committee for the 2012 Games produced the Yorkshire Gold strategy which outlined the region's key aspirations for the games in '5 Golden Opportunities':
 - Putting sport centre stage
 - Healthy and cohesive communities
 - A carnival of culture
 - Enhanced profile and tourist potential
 - Winners in business
3. This report sets out those events and programme of activities that will be happening in York during 2012 with particular emphasis on sports and culture.

Consultation

4. We have been working through York@Large, Active York and North Yorkshire Culture on a York Gold organizing group. This group, with members drawn from business, education, cultural and voluntary sectors, has met to support our sporting, tourism and cultural opportunities in York and North Yorkshire from the London 2012 Olympics.

The Programme

5. York in 2012 will be full of activity as it celebrates York800, the anniversary of our sealing of the city charter, The Queen's Diamond Jubilee as well as activities relating to the Olympics. Some of these activity programmes have been detailed elsewhere, and below is set out the major activities that our partnerships are supporting in relation to the Olympics and Paralympics.
6. **Olympic Torch Relay** - on the 19th June the city will host an overnight stop of the Olympic Torch. Full details on the route will be released by the London Organising Committee of the Olympic Games (LOCOG) early in 2012. We will have an afternoon and evening event from 3.30 pm - 7.30 pm at the Racecourse. A key focus of the afternoon activities will be a sports zone taster and demonstration event. Led by the Sport and Active Leisure team and supported by the national governing bodies of sport, there will be an opportunity for residents to see and try first hand a range of Olympic and Paralympic sports. We are working with York Cares to recruit volunteers to help steward the route. In early December there will be a meeting with cultural organisations and community groups interested in providing entertainment or decoration along the route.
7. **The Cultural Olympiad** - we have used the Cultural Olympiad as an umbrella for activity linking to the regional theme of "I move". The National Centre for Early Music has been a key participating partner and in 2012 the Early Music Festival will have links to South American as we look forward to the next Olympics in Rio de Janeiro in 2016. We are currently working with the regional "I move" team on a street dance programme for the city.
8. **The "Inspired By" Programme** - this is a programme where activities that have been specifically inspired by the Olympic ideals can apply for accreditation and are judged to be of excellent standard. Partners across York have had four programmes accredited with the "Inspired by" mark:
 - Our Celebrating Ability day was first held in 2010. Inspired by the Paralympic values, the day in York highlighted people's abilities, both disabled and able-bodied, in a variety of different spheres, including sport, business and culture. The day was subsequently held up by LOCOG as best practice and similar events have been held in other nations and regions as a result. This year's Celebrating Ability, also Inspire Marked on 23rd August 2011 coincided with one year to go to

the Paralympic Games. The day was designed as a celebration of people's ability to play sport and be physically active, and was a celebration of the increased number of sporting opportunities available for people with a disability in York. The day showcased the following opportunities; Inclusive Health Walks, Sportsability Clubs, Goalball, Wheelchair Basketball, Badminton, Seated Volleyball, Wheelchair Rugby, Climbing, Cycling, Boccia, Bowls, Swimming and offered Gym Inductions. The 2012 Celebrating Ability day will be held on Tuesday 21st August 2012 at Energise. Again it will celebrate the start of the Paralympic games and will be bigger and better than before.

- The Junior Sports leadership programme – led by the York school sports network, this programme aims to ensure the young leaders from North Yorkshire are fully involved in all aspects of London 2012, the build up, the delivery of a successful event, and the legacy for the next generation of young leaders.
 - The Sporting Giants programme where all primary schools have had the opportunity to learn about the Olympic sports and biomechanics through the production of Giant puppets. Twenty Three schools will be taking part in a Sporting Giants sports day on the Knavesmire on the 19th June 2012.
 - NUE2012 - Organised by the Training Gateway at the University of York along with UK Trade and Investment and the National Council for Graduate Entrepreneurs this programme showcases the innovation and enterprise of universities all across the UK. It will take the best business ideas from existing enterprise competitions and merge them into a single national competition. The winners will be announced at the British Business Embassy at the Olympic Village in August 2012 but the semi finalists will be announced here in York at the Racecourse on the 19th June.
9. **Pre-Games training Camps** – Four sports facilities in York have been listed in LOCOG's approved training sites guide. Local business man, Ian Ashton, has been instrumental in developing contacts in West Africa and we have signed Memorandums of Understanding to host pre games training camps with The Gambia and Guinea Bissau. Tania Weston, Cultural & 2012 Delivery Officer with our local enterprise company has been leading negotiations

with other countries and we expect to have the full programme of training camps agreed early in 2012.

10. **Promoting volunteering - Sport Makers** is a national programme to encourage people to play sport and help out in local clubs and communities. A series of Sport Makers workshops is running throughout the country to help individuals find out where they can volunteer and meet local organisation and governing bodies. One of the first workshops in the country is to be held at York sports club, Clifton Park on 30th November with more to follow across York in the next year. We will be aiming to recruit through these workshops, a number of new volunteers to sport in the city.
11. **Promoting increased participation in Sport** – We will take the opportunity throughout 2012 to encourage residents to be more active, more often and to be inspired by the Olympics and Paralympics to enjoy the social and health benefits that increased physical activity brings. Led by the Sport and Active leisure team, some events and programmes will begin to promote Olympics and Paralympic activities from January 2012. These will include
 - Residents weekend facility open days and activities at the Parliament Street event.
 - Playground to Podium event. This is a disabled young people's talent identification event on 9th May at the University of York.
 - Helping York clubs and organisations to access Sportivate grants. These grants help 14-25 year olds access to six-week courses in a range of sports programme is aimed at those who are not currently choosing to take part in sport in their own time, or are doing so for a very limited amount of time. It will support them to continue playing sport in their community and also gives them an opportunity to win London 2012 tickets if they continue playing the sport once the initial 6 weeks is up.
 - North Yorkshire Schools games on Sunday 8th July. Many Youngsters from the 2 school sports networks in the city will participate in this event.
 - Just 30 fair at Rowntrees Park on 15th September 2012, allowing local sports clubs and organisations delivering physical activity opportunities to promote their activities and encourage local community participation.
 - Engage 50+ games, linking with national older people's day on 1st October and spanning the following week. This event

will be encouraging older residents of the city to become more physically active and signpost them to suitable opportunities available in York. A range of clubs and leisure facilities will be opening their doors to showcase the opportunities for recreational / social and competitive sport. We will be hoping to Inspire Mark this event.

12. In addition to these programmes, we will also be concentrating on promoting a 12 week community summer of sport programme that will run from 19th June (Torch relay) through the start of the games (27th July) and end of the Paralympics (9th Sept).
13. In order to give communities the chance to engage in a flexible way we will challenge people to become “inspired” by the Olympics in their communities. People could take part in a charity run or cycle, volunteer at a local club, decorate the community for the games, attend the torch run or run a community event. We will be asking people to let us know what they are pledging to take part in, or what they have done, through a web site and we aim to reward the most inspired communities. Every ward (via their ward councillors) will be given a pack which sets out:
 - measured walking routes within their ward, people can then be given information about where they could walk to do the 1,500m, 5,000m, 10,000m, marathon (Olympic race distances)
 - Information about local community clubs where people could take up a new sport, attend an open day or become a volunteer.
 - Info about whether their ward has a community chest that people could apply to get funding for their project.
 - The Olympic colours, values etc so people could plant, decorate etc appropriately
14. Community club Olympic open days, will also be promoted and supported by the team but run by voluntary sports clubs. During the 12 weeks, approx 20 – 30 are expected to be run. The will include a variety of sports across the city and will be open taster sessions and opportunities for residents to participate in the national gold challenge. This programme is also part of a current Inspire Mark application.

Council Plan

15. Involvement in the Olympic related 2012 activities will support the council priorities of Build strong communities, Protect vulnerable people and Create jobs and grow the economy.

Implications

16. The implications of the activities outlined above are as follows:
 - **Financial** - there will be costs associated with the hosting of the torch relay. However these will not be fully known until we have final agreement with LOCOG on the torch route and the evening celebrations. This will be reported on as soon as figures are available.
 - **Equalities** - a key objective of the Olympics is to, inspire and involve the widest range of UK-wide communities. All of York's Olympic projects will seek to be universally inclusive and accessible. There are targeted projects within our sports programme that are aimed at ensuring participation by those communities with the lowest participation rate including older people and those with a limiting disability.
 - **Crime and Disorder** - security arrangements for the Torch relay are the responsibility of the Police supported by our emergency planners and York Gold group.
 - **Highways** – the visit of the Torch will have implications for Highways. These will be reported, as appropriate, once the route has been agreed with LOCOG.
17. There are no Legal, Human Resources, Information Technology or Property Implications arising from this report.

Risk Management

18. In compliance with the Council's risk management strategy the main risks that have been identified are reputational risks associated with the ability to deliver activities where funding is uncertain. Measured in terms of impact and likelihood, the risk score has been assessed at 9, placing the issue in the Low category as an acceptable risk. This means that the risks will be regularly monitored.

Recommendations

19. The Cabinet Member is asked to approve the draft programme of events.

Reason: To promote the Olympic legacy within the city.

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All

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Background Papers:

Yorkshire Gold – Yorkshire and Humber Strategy for 2012,
York and the 2012 Olympics, report to the Executive Member for
Leisure, Culture and Social Inclusion December 2008

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13 December 2011

Report of the Assistant Director (Communities and Culture)

Improving York's Green Spaces: Use of Section 106 Funds

Summary

1. This report is brought to the Cabinet Member in response to the policy paper *Improving York's Green Spaces: Use of Section 106 funds* agreed at the July Cabinet Member decision session for Leisure, Culture and Social Inclusion.
2. The report seeks the approval of the Cabinet Member to use Section 106 payments to improve York's green spaces as set out in Annex 1.

Background

3. The Town and Country Planning Acts create the ability for Local Authorities to seek a payment from developers in lieu of providing children's play space, amenity space and sports pitches within new housing developments. This is commonly known as a Section 106 payment.
4. Payments are generally made where it is not practical or desirable to have open space within a development, for example where developments are for individual or a small number of dwellings or where there is existing open space nearby which could be improved to accommodate the additional use from new residents. Payment is based on an approved formula related to the number of new bedrooms within the development. Full details can be found on the councils web site at:

<http://www.york.gov.uk/environment/Planning/guidance/OpenspaceAdviceNote/>

5. Section 106 payments received by the council must be used for the benefit of the residents who will live in the development which is generating the payment.
6. Information is then taken from two audits which support the Local Development Framework (LDF) process - the playing pitch assessment and the Open Space Sport and Recreation Study to identify sites for investment. In bringing forward sites for investment additional factors are often taken into account, including :
 - Investment supports quality initiatives such as the Green Flag award or club mark.
 - Investment will increase access by all sectors of the community
 - Schemes are significantly well developed or have enough funds to be achievable. (106 payments can be made at different times depending on when a project starts or house sales are achieved which means it is difficult to forecast when payments will be received by the Council)
 - Schemes that lever in other sources of funding. In 11/12 over £115k of external funding from the lottery and sporting governing bodies has been secured for projects in the city with the help of section 106 funds. Future projects may involve working with the Environment Agency, Yorkshire Wildlife Trust and the SITA Trust (landfill tax).
7. Information regarding where, and on what, existing 106 payments are being used is provided as Annex 1. This provides an outline of possible future schemes and, where confirmed, the amount of future 106 payments. All of this information is provided at ward level.
8. In wards with a parish or town council where no money is being held this is usually because the money has already been passed to the Parish or Town Council in that area. In 2011/12 payments have so far been made to Elvington, Heslington, Huntington, Murton, Osbaldwick, Stockton on the Forest and Strensall Parish Councils.

Consultation

9. No specific consultation has been undertaken for the report. The basis for seeking section 106 payments has been through a several consultations exercises as part of the planning process and individual schemes are subject to local consultation with residents, users and interest groups as appropriate.

Options

10. The options available to the Cabinet Member are:
 - Option 1: Agree to the proposals set out in Annex 1
 - Option 2: Suggest further and/or alternative schemes for inclusion in Annex 1
 - Option 3: Request further updates on a six monthly or annual basis

Analysis

11. This report responds to the requirements of the Cabinet members July decision to “*To improve transparency in the use of section 106 funds*” as such it is the first ever report to provide details of the amount of section 106 money held at a ward level, current and future ward schemes, and likely future payments. In so doing it enables a wide audience to understand how the money is being used, how it fits with the LDF process and how its use can contribute to ward priorities.

Council Plan

12. The actions set out in the report contribute to the following corporate priorities as set out in the Council Plan 2011-15.
 - Building stronger communities - by encouraging and involving residents and users in green space design and management. And, by supporting the voluntary sector and creating volunteering opportunities.
 - Protecting the environment by enhancing green space for public, wildlife and habitat benefit and making spaces more accessible

Implications

13. **Financial** – There are no specific financial implications of the report's recommendations.
14. **Legal and Property** - Where specific projects have property implications e.g. lease or lettings Legal and Property Services will be involved in any arrangements.
15. **Equalities** – Equality impact assessments will be undertaken for each scheme to be undertaken.
16. There are no Human Resources, Crime and Disorder, or Information Technology implications arising from this report.

Risk Management

17. Failure to continue invest in existing and new open space will mean that the ambitions of the LDF will not be met. Failure to use sections 106 payments within the contractually agree time frame may result in money being returned to developers.

Recommendations

18. The Cabinet Member is asked to approve the use of section 106 funds on those schemes identified in Annex 1
Reason: To meet the ambitions of the Local Development Framework and the legal requirements of each section 106 payment agreed by the Council.

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Specialist Implications Officer(s): N/A			
Wards Affected:			All ✓
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Background Papers:

Cabinet Member decision session for Leisure, Culture and Social Inclusion Improving York's Green Spaces: Use of Section 106 funds 12 July 2011.

Annex 1: Project list

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Ward	Current and on-going projects	Money available to allocate	Possible projects for 2012/13	Known Future payments - Section 106 in place
Acomb		£10,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acomb Green play area – supporting the lottery grant to improve the play area • Viking Road play area, • Carr allotments • Acomb Cricket Club practice nets 	£33,000
Bishopthorpe		£3,000		£6,500
Clifton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bootham allotments – supporting the lottery funded security, drainage and community plots • Bumper Castle pitches - ground works to create new pitches. 	£13,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clifton Park phase II -club house extension. 	£109,000
Derwent		Nil		Nil
Dringhouses and Woodthorpe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapman's Pond 	£2,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acorn Rugby League Club training pitch improvements 	£16,500

Fishergate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fulford and Knavesmire sports pitch - to support agreed lottery grant for new pitches. • Low Moor allotments – parking and plot development 	£98,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heslington Outgang - club house access and quality improvements. • Ouse river bank improvements 	£181,000
Fulford		Nil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish facilities 	£5,500
Guildhall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tower Gardens – creating access to river frontage 	£95,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Museum Gardens • Clarence Gardens bowling greens • City Walls wildlife enhancements 	£114,000
Haxby and Wigginton		Nil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Haxby Town Junior Football Club – changing room re-provision. • Wigginton Sports Club Facility improvements 	£22,500
Heslington		Nil		£1,000
Holgate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Back Park – improved community use of landscape 	£8,500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ward play areas 	£26,500
Heworth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bell Farm Adventure Playground – access measures • Melrosegate playing fields – access improvements to new sports pitch 	£54,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arran Place play and sports facilities, • Monkbridge Gardens – footpath and access improvements 	£80,000
Heworth Without		Nil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish facilities 	£1,000

Huntington and New Earswick	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Earswick Rugby League Club pitch drainage 	£10,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hopgrove MUGA 	£45,500
Hull Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hull Road Park – toilets and landscape improvements 	£10,000		£4,000
Micklegate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knavesmire pitches to support lottery funding 	£13,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scarcroft Green - bowling green and allotments. • Little Knavesmire football facilities • Clementhorpe and adjacent river bank improvements 	£83,000
Osballdwick		Nil		Nil
Rural York West		Nil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish play and sports facilities 	£8,000
Skelton, Rawcliffe and Clifton Without	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rawcliffe Country Park bike track and fitness facilities 	£11,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rawcliffe recreation field – mini soccer pitch 	£6,000
Strensall		Nil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strensall Football Club - provision of new pitches • River Foss access and wildlife enhancements 	£75,000
Wheldrake		Nil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish play and sports facilities 	£4,000

Westfield	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acomb Green including the play area 	£37,500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acorn Rugby League Club - training pitch improvements • Acomb Cricket Club practice nets to support governing body funding. • Bachelor Hill wildlife enhancements 	£6,000
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