

CABINET

TUESDAY, 8 JANUARY 2013

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the Cabinet meeting held on Tuesday, 8 January 2013. 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 decision, notice must be given to Democracy Support Group no later than **4.00pm on Thursday 10 January 2013**.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Jill Pickering (01904) 552061.

5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE SETTLEMENT UPDATE

RESOLVED: That Cabinet:

- i) Note the provisional Local Government Finance Settlement figures;
- ii) Agree to the Leader, on the advice of the Director of Customer & Business Support Services, deciding on how to proceed with the council's involvement in the LCR business rates pool.
- iii) Delegate approval of the annual NNDR1 (National Non Domestic Rates) form to the Director of Customer & Business Support Services.

- REASON:
- i) To inform financial planning decisions for the 2013/14 and 2014/15 budgets.
 - ii) So that the council's income from the business rates retention scheme is maximised.

- iii) So that process for Council Tax and business rates are aligned and so that the council can submit business rates figures to Central Government as and when requested.

6. THE CO-OPERATIVE COUNCIL: A COMMUNITY BENEFIT SOCIETY FOR LIBRARIES AND ARCHIVES

RESOLVED: That Cabinet agree to:

- i) Development of a business plan for a potential community benefit society for the Council's libraries and archive services.
- ii) The establishment of a shadow board for the purpose of taking forward this work.
- iii) Further engagement with the public and with staff on the proposal.
- iv) Present a report back, following the above, to identify whether it would be in the overall interests of the Council to transfer the Libraries and Archives service to a community benefits society.

REASON: To identify the best delivery model for libraries and archive services in York.

7. ACCESS YORK PARK AND RIDE FUNDING APPLICATION

RESOLVED: That Cabinet agree to approve the following in relation to this scheme:

- i) Submission of the Full Approval Application to the Department for Transport.
- ii) An increase in the local contribution to the scheme of up to £750k from the Economic Infrastructure Fund and a re-profile of the Capital Programme where necessary.

- iii) Commencement of advance site clearance.
- iv) Commencement of advance utility diversions.
- v) Delegation of the acceptance of the Most Economically Advantageous Tender to the Director of City and Environmental Services in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Transport, Planning and Sustainability.

REASON: To enable the delivery of the Access York project to programme.

8. TENANCY STRATEGY

RESOLVED: That Cabinet agree to Option 1, to adopt the Tenancy Strategy as set out in Annex 1 of the report.

REASON: The strategy takes into account the views of key stakeholders, including local social landlords and seeks to utilise the new freedoms and flexibilities offered by the Localism Act to address housing needs. It is a requirement for the local authority to have a tenancy strategy.

9. YORK MUSEUMS TRUST SCRUTINY REVIEW FINAL REPORT

RESOLVED: That Cabinet agree to:

- i) Note the contents of the final report.
- ii) Request the Assistant Director (Communities, Culture and Public Realm) to arrange a meeting, at the earliest opportunity, of the Scrutiny Task Group, the Cabinet Member for Leisure, Culture and Tourism and Officers to go through the review

recommendations in more detail to enable a report back to the Leisure, Culture and Overview Committee on 23 January 2013.

- iii) Delegate approval of the final recommendations of the review to the Cabinet Member for Leisure, Culture and Tourism at a future Decision Session.

REASON: To conclude the Scrutiny Review in line with CYC Scrutiny procedures and protocols