

Meeting	Executive
Date	22 April 2025
Present	Councillors Douglas (Chair), Kilbane (Vice-Chair), Kent, Pavlovic, Ravilious, Steels-Walshaw and Webb
In Attendance	Councillor Widdowson
Officers in Attendance	Ian Floyd – Chief Operating Officer Bryn Roberts – Director of Governance Debbie Mitchell – Director of Finance Pauline Stuchfield – Director of Housing and Communities Tanya Lyon - Community Safety Manager Alison Cooke - Head of Strategic Planning Policy Alison Stockdale - Strategic Planning Policy Manager
Apologies	Councillors Lomas and Ayre

90. Apologies for Absence

It was confirmed that two apologies had been received. Cllr Lomas and Cllr Ayre who was substituted by Cllr Widdowson.

91. Declarations of Interest

Members were asked to declare at this point in the meeting any disclosable pecuniary interest or other registerable interest they might have in respect of business on the agenda, if they had not already done so in advance on the Register of Interests. None were declared.

92. Minutes

Resolved: That the minutes of the Executive meeting held on 22 April 2025 be approved and then signed by the Chair as a correct record.

93. Public Participation

It was reported that there had been one registration to speak at the meeting under the Council's Public Participation Scheme.

Richard Clancey spoke on behalf of Murton Parish Council in favour of the Murton Neighbourhood Plan.

94. Forward Plan

Members received and noted details of the items that were on the Forward Plan for the next two Executive meetings at the time the agenda was published.

95. Introduction of a citywide Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) to cover: Street Urination & Defecation, Dog Fouling & Control

The Community Safety Manager introduced the report noting that proposed introducing a PSPO on Street Urination & Defecation, Dog Fouling and Dog Control. It was confirmed that the PSPO would allow for £100 fixed penalty notices for street urination which will provide the police more consideration in how to deal with offenses.

The Executive Member for Housing, Planning and Safer Communities welcomed the report and the evidence base that had been gathered to develop the PSPO. He noted that these were powers the currently had but by issuing a PSPO would allow them to regularise the use of these powers. He noted concerns raised about access to public toilet facilities and welcomed the work of Cllr Kent the Executive Member for Environment and Climate Emergency for improving access to public facilities.

Resolved:

- i. To implement the PSPO to include all 3 proposed conditions of Street Urination & Defecation, Dog Fouling and Dog Control. This option is based on the strong public support indicated by the online consultation results.

Reason: To improve public spaces.

96. Local Development Scheme

The Head of Strategic Planning Policy introduced the report, outlining that Council's across the country were required to renew their Local Development Scheme in light of the new National Planning Framework.

The Executive Member for Housing, Planning and Safer Communities thanked officers for their work on the Local Development Scheme. He noted that the report had been to the Local Plan Working Group and welcomed cross party support and acknowledgement of the challenges, and the timescale required for reviewing the local plan. He noted that the Council had several priorities including introducing supplementary planning documents and introducing a community infrastructure levy.

Resolved:

- i. Approved the interim Local Development Scheme (Annex B)

Reason: To ensure that the Council Complies with the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended by the Localism Act 2011).

97. Murton Neighbourhood Plan Examiner's Report and Decision Statement

The Head of Strategic Planning Policy introduced the report with outlined the Draft Murton Neighbourhood Plan and the inspectors report. They confirmed that should the plan be approved by the Executive it would go to a local referendum for approval.

The Executive Member for Housing, Planning and Safer Communities thanked Mr Clancey from Murton Parish Council and professor David Waddington for their work in developing the Draft Murton Neighbourhood Plan. He welcomed the inspectors report and their support for the plan and welcomed the opportunity for a local referendum to adopt the plan.

Resolved:

- i. Agreed to the Examiner's modifications set out at Annex C (Decision Statement) to the Submission Draft Murton Neighbourhood Plan (Annex A) and that subject to those modifications the Neighbourhood Plan meets the Basic Conditions and other legislative requirements;
- ii. Agreed that the Submission Draft Murton Neighbourhood Plan as amended proceeds to a local referendum based on the neighbourhood area as noted in the Examiner's Report (Annex B).
- iii. Approved the Decision Statement attached at Annex C to be published on the City of York Council's website.

Reason: To allow the Neighbourhood Plan to progress in line with neighbourhood planning legislation.

98. Exclusion of Press and Public

Resolved: To consider agenda item 10 Approval of Property Management Arrangements without needing to exclude the press and public under paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A to Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as revised by The Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006).

99. Approval of Property Management Arrangements

The Director of Housing and Communities introduced the report, outlining the important work of Yorhome as an ethical letting service in York, that sought to ensure there is a supply of housing to rent. She confirmed that the report included the opportunity to add a large multiple occupancy property to Yorhome's portfolio, as well as, seeking Executive to ratify management agreements which were entered into in 2024 and should have been presented to Executive at the time.

The Executive Member for Housing, Planning and Safer Communities highlighted the importance of the work undertaken by YorHome. He welcomed the opportunity to add a new

multiple occupancy property to ensure families move into new homes. He also stated that he wanted to ensure everything was always done correctly and would welcome a review by the Audit and Governance committee into the work of Yorhome to ensure the upmost transparency is maintained.

Resolved:

- i. To ratify the management agreement entered into in late 2024;
- ii. To approved the preparation of revised documentation in respect of the management of the property and licences to occupy; and;
- iii. To delegate authority to the Director of Housing and Communities (in consultation with the Director of Governance) to take such steps as are necessary to agree and complete the resulting documents.
- iv. To propose for the purpose of transparency and accountability that a report is prepared for the Audit and Governance Committee to consider any process issues raised or identified.

Reason: To ensure appropriate arrangements are in place in respect of the property to receive new tenants in the very near future.

Cllr Douglas, Chair

[The meeting started at 4.30 pm and finished at 5.17 pm].

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