

## OFFICER DECISION

**Decision:** Approve the award of a revenue grant to York CVS to run a Children's Poverty Truth Commission. This work will extend the work of the Poverty Truth Commission by direct work with Children and Young People and will help city leaders to have a clearer understanding of the impact of poverty on the city's children and young people.

**Decision Date:** 26/11/2025

<b>Type of Decision:</b> Director	Key		Non-Key	x
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**Portfolio Area that decision relates to:**

Leader (inc Policy, Strategy & Partnerships)		Environment and Climate Emergency	
Deputy Leader (inc Economy & Culture)		Finance, Performance, Major Projects, Human Rights, Equalities & Inclusion	
Children, Young People and Education	<b>X</b>	Housing, Planning & Safer Communities	
Health, Wellbeing and Adults Social Care		Transport	

**Background / Decision Summary:**

This work builds on the work of the York Poverty Truth Commission which launched in March 2023. A Poverty Truth Commission begins by putting those with direct experience of poverty first and asking them to share their knowledge about what's truly needed to make change. York CVS have the experience needed to extend this work and deliver a Children's Poverty Truth Commission and the grant award is to ensure that this work can take place. The findings will support the city's delivery of the poverty strategy.

**Options Considered:**

- Option 1 - To approve the award of a grant to York CVS
- Option 2 – decline to approve the award of a grant at this time

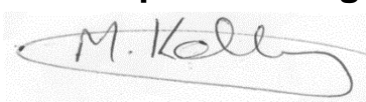
**Options Rejected:**

- Option 2 – decline to approve the award of a grant at this time

**Consultation Process:**

**Implications**

Crime & Disorder		Equalities	X	Highways	
Human Resources		Legal		ICT	
Financial	x	Planning			

Marketing & Comms		Health	x	
Property		Procurement		
<b>Implications Contact:</b> Assistant Director, Education and Skills				
<b>Level of Risk:</b> Acceptable				
<b>Wards Affected:</b>				
All Wards		Fishergate		Holgate
Acomb		Fulford & Heslington		Hull Road
Bishopthorpe		Guildhall		Huntington & New Earswick
Clifton		Haxby & Wigginton		Micklegate
Copmanthorpe		Heworth		Osbaldwick & Derwent
Dringhouses & Woodthorpe		Heworth Without		Rawcliffe & Clifton
<b>Comments/Observations:</b> This grant is awarded to York CVS due to their previous work on the delivery of the Poverty Truth Commission in York. The grant supports the extension of this work to capture the experiences of children and young people living in poverty in the city.				
<b>Decision:</b> To approve the award of grant to the York CVS				
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<b>On behalf of:</b> As above.				
<b>To be implemented by:</b>		Maxine Squire	Assistant Director, Education and Skills	
<b>On Completion – Signed off by:</b>			<b>Date:</b> 28.11.25	
				
Martin Kelly Corporate Director Children and Education				