

Cabinet

6 September 2011

Report of the Leader of the Council

Minutes of Working Groups

Summary

1. This report presents the minutes of meetings of the Young People's Working Group (YPWG) and the Equality Advisory Group (EAG) and asks Members to consider the advice given by the Groups in their capacity as advisory bodies to the Cabinet.

Background

2. Under the Council's Constitution, the role of Working Groups is to advise the Cabinet on issues within their particular remits. To ensure that the Cabinet is able to consider the advice of the Working Groups, it has been agreed that minutes of the Groups' meetings will be brought to the Cabinet on a regular basis. In accordance with the requirements of the Constitution, minutes of the following meetings are presented with this report:
 - Young People's Working Group of 20 June 2011 (Annex A)
 - Equality Advisory Group of 18 July 2011 (Annex B)

Consultation

3. No consultation has taken place on the attached minutes, which have been referred directly from the Working Groups. It is assumed that any relevant consultation on the items considered by the Groups was carried out in advance of their meetings.

Options

4. Options open to the Cabinet are either to accept or to reject any advice that may be offered by the Working Groups, and / or to comment on the advice.

Analysis

5. Members are asked to note the views of the Young People's Working Group in respect of developing their role as a conduit between young people and Members (minute 6 of Annex A refers). It is proposed to put recommendations to the Cabinet on this issue after consultation has taken place with young people.
6. Members are asked to consider endorsing the recommendation from the Equality Advisory Group that Marije Davidson be appointed as a representative of the York Independent Living Network on EAG (minute 1 of Annex B refers).
7. Cabinet has the power to make appointments to its own Working Groups. Therefore if Members so wish, they may approve the above recommended appointment without reference to Full Council.

Corporate Priorities

8. The aims in referring these minutes accord with the Council's corporate values to provide strong leadership in terms of advising these bodies on their direction and any recommendations they wish to make.

Implications

9. There are no known implications in relation to the following in terms of dealing with the specific matter before Members, namely to consider the minutes and determine their response to the advice offered:

- **Financial**
- **Human Resources (HR)**
- **Equalities**
- **Legal**

- **Crime and Disorder**
- **Property**
- **Other**

Risk Management

10. In compliance with the Council's risk management strategy, there are no risks associated with the recommendations of this report.

Recommendations

11. Members are asked to note the minutes attached at Annexes A and B and to decide whether they wish to:
- Approve the specific recommendations made by the Young People's Working Group and the Equality Advisory Group, as set out in paragraphs 5 to 7 above, and/or;
 - Respond to any of the advice offered by the Working Groups.

Reason:

To fulfil the requirements of the council's Constitution in relation to the role of Working Groups.

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Specialist Implications Officer(s) None

Wards Affected:

All

For further information please contact the author of the report

Annexes

Annex A – Draft minutes of the meeting of the Young People’s Working Group of 20 June 2011.

Annex B – Draft minutes of the meeting of the Equality Advisory Group of 18 July 2011.

Background Papers

Agendas and associated reports for the above meetings (available on the Council’s website).