

## **EXECUTIVE**

**TUESDAY, 11 MAY 2010**

### **DECISIONS**

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Executive held on Tuesday, 11 May 2010. 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 4pm on the second working day after this meeting.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Fiona Young (tel extn 1027).

#### **5. MINUTES OF WORKING GROUPS**

RESOLVED: That the minutes attached at Annex A to the report be noted.

REASON: In order to fulfil the requirements of the Council's Constitution in relation to the role of Working Groups.

#### **6. MORE FOR YORK - SPRING UPDATE AND CHILDREN'S SOCIAL CARE AND FINANCE BLUEPRINTS**

RESOLVED: (i) That the progress made on delivering the programme be noted.

(ii) That the Children's Services Blueprint set out in Annex 1 to the report be agreed.

(iii) That the Finance Services Blueprint set out in Annex 2 be agreed.

REASON: To enable the Council to deliver the strategic objective to be an Effective Organisation, to deliver service improvements and to create net efficiency savings of £5.7m in 2010/11.

#### **7. HIGH SPEED RAIL**

RESOLVED: (i) That the policy position for York, as set out in the Arup review, be agreed and that further work be focused on:

- a) reducing journey times between Leeds and York, particularly through the electrification of the line between Leeds and York;
- b) promoting the benefits of any HS2 parkway stops being located to the east of Leeds,

- and
- c) securing shorter term improvements to the East Coast Main Line (ECML).

(ii) That Members and Officers continue to lobby through the appropriate forums for ongoing investment in the ECML.

REASON: To ensure that the advantages of high speed rail connections are realised for York and that continued investment in existing rail infrastructure and facilities is not delayed or cancelled, given the indicative 2026 start date for HS2.

## **8. FOOTSTREETS REVIEW - PROGRESS REPORT**

RESOLVED: (i) That the progress thus far with the Footstreets review be noted.

(ii) That Option 1 – to progress all four suggested schemes concurrently to a point where a city-wide consultation can be undertaken – be supported and that Officers be requested to bring a further report to Members once detailed options have been developed.

REASON: In order to achieve the improvements identified in the report, subject to appropriate consultation with residents and other stakeholders.

(iii) That Option 4 – to continue investigation of some of the schemes with a longer lead in time – be supported, and that Officers be requested to push ahead as quickly as is practicable in their consultation on the possible pedestrianisation of part of Fossgate.

REASON: In order to assess the wider implications of these schemes and to provide a quicker and more positive response to the request from Fossgate traders.

## **9. YORK MYSTERY PLAYS 2012**

RESOLVED: That the budget available for the 2010 Minster Mystery Plays be re-allocated to the York Mystery Plays 2012 Partnership, subject to the drawing up of a satisfactory service agreement, and that approval be given to carry forward the 2009/10 budget of £20k into 2010/11.

REASON: To ensure a 2012 Mystery Plays production that includes the wider community and supports the Council's commitment to a two-year Mystery Plays production cycle.

**10. YORK WORLD HERITAGE SITE BID -  
INFORMATION REPORT**

RESOLVED: That the progress being made with the World Heritage Site Bid be noted.

REASON: In accordance with the Executive's previous request to be kept updated on each stage of the bid.