

DECISION SESSION - CABINET MEMBER FOR TRANSPORT, PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY

THURSDAY, 18 APRIL 2013

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the Decision Session - Cabinet Member for Transport, Planning & Sustainability held on Thursday, 18 April 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.pm on the second working day after this meeting.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Laura Bootland (01904) 552062.

4. DUNCOMBE PLACE TAXI RANK

RESOLVED

That the Cabinet Member agreed:

- (i) That the Duncombe Place taxi rank should continue to operate as a 24 hour rank.
- (ii) That the head of the rank be relocated further towards the Museum Street Junction.
- (iii) That the existing shelter near the existing head of the rank be removed.
- (iv) That the Council continues to work with North Yorkshire Police to aid their efforts in combating the anti social behaviour that takes place.
- (v) That Councillor Williams, the Cabinet Member for Crime and Community Safety be asked to look at issues in the area.

REASONS:

- (i) Due to demand for a taxi rank in that location and there being no practical way to prevent individuals from using it to seek a taxi.
- (ii) To enable clearer more reliable CCTV monitoring of the head of the rank.
- (iii) To remove a potential focus for rowdy activity and to improve the street scene.
- (iv) To try to resolve the concerns of residents.
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5. PETITION FOR RELOCATION OF VAS SIGN AT HOLTBY.

RESOLVED:

That the Cabinet Member approved Option D to take no further action in terms of implementation of a VAS sign at Holtby, but to task the Speed Review Partnership to re-assess the current Council criteria and policy for implementation of VAS signs.

REASONS:

Engineering work due to take place at Holtby is anticipated to reduce speeds to below the threshold for requirements of VAS. The SID (Speed Indicator Device) scheme would be more appropriate for Holtby and has been offered and used in the past at Holtby.

To council fund a VAS at Holtby would elevate Holtby to priority over 47 other sites waiting for speed reduction feasibility work and brings into question if a criteria led process of establishing priority should be introduced.

The current City of York VAS policy requires updating in line with DfT recommendations.

VAS signs are only one of the engineering tools available as per DfT criteria and the implementation of Speed Reduction Engineering would see any site previously eligible for Police enforcement removed from the enforcement list.

6. PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY - PRESENTATION OF A PETITION FOR THE NIGHT TIME CLOSURE OF SNICKETS OFF ASHBOURNE WAY.

RESOLVED: That the Cabinet Member chose Option 1 and did not progress the for the night time closure of the snickets.

REASONS: (i)Crime and Anti Social Behaviour is unlikely to be significantly reduced if the routes are only closed at night time.

(ii)A reasonably convenient alternative route is not available for either route.

7. HESLINGTON LANE AREA PETITION

RESOLVED: That the Cabinet Member approved Option 3 and the sites will continue to be part of a regular review of requests for restrictions across the city or as part of the agreement

reached with the development of the University if their parking is demonstrated to have breached agreed levels.

REASON: To tackle regular ongoing instances of highway obstruction by vehicles where they occur.

8. REPORT FOLLOWING THE INVESTIGATIONS OF FLOODING AT BADGER HILL AND LEEMAN ROAD UNDER S19 OF THE FLOOD AND WATER MANAGEMENT ACT.

RESOLVED: That the Cabinet Member approved the two flooding investigation reports.

That an annual progress report be produced to update the Cabinet Member on the impact of further investment .and any outstanding actions to ensure they are followed through.

REASONS: So that the reports can be published in accordance with the Flood and Water Management Act 2010.

To keep the Cabinet Member informed.

9. CITY CENTRE ACCESS AD HOC SCRUTINY REVIEW

RESOLVED: That the Cabinet Member agreed the findings and concerns of the City Centre Access Ad Hoc Scrutiny Review.

REASON: In order that the views of the Ad Hoc Scrutiny Committee are taken into consideration.

10. CITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES CAPITAL PROGRAMME - 2013/14 BUDGET REPORT

RESOLVED: That the Cabinet Member approved the proposed 2013/14 City Programme and Environmental Services Capital as set out in this report and Annex 1.

Reason: To implement the council's transport strategy identified in York's third Local Transport Plan and the Council Priorities, and deliver schemes identified in the council's Transport Programme.