

Decision Session - Executive Member for Environment

Monday, 5 September 2016

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Decision Session Executive Member for Environment held on Monday, 5 September 2016. 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 Democratic Services 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 Judith Betts.

4. Air Quality Update and Annual Status Report

Resolved: (i) That the report be noted.

(ii) That the progress which has been made on a switch to low emission vehicles in the bus and taxi fleet and the positive impact that this will have in further improvements to the air quality in the city be noted.

(iii) That Officers review proposals to ensure that the Council fully utilises all available legislation to exclude highly polluting vehicles regularly in the Air Quality Management Areas (AQMAs).

Reason: To ensure that steps are taken to improve York's air quality.

5. Review of June 2016 Surface Water Flood Event

Resolved: (i) That the actions carried out by the Council in response to the surface water flood event in June 2016 as set out in paragraphs 6-15 of the Officer's report be noted.

- (ii) That the future actions planned as set out at Paragraphs 16-18 of the Officer's report be agreed.
- (iii) That Officers prepare the business case for a major capital investment project to the Executive for the delivery of significant improvements to the council operated drainage systems to form part of the Budget Process for the 2017/18 budget.
- (iv) That Officers review the enforcement process for building materials which end up blocking gulleys, and that there is a clear reporting system publicised to help prevent this from happening.

Reason: To improve the management of York's gully assets and reduce the risk of future flooding.

6. York Community Recycling Fund

Resolved: (i) That the fund criteria as set out in Paragraphs 8-15 of of the Officer's report be agreed.

- (ii) That the application process as set out at Paragraphs 17 to 18 in the Officer's report be agreed.
- (iii) That Officers review support for Community Centres to improve the recycling from their centres, and how they can be fully engaged with the citywide messages to promote recycling.
- (iv) That the application process will require a demonstration of outcomes to support recycling in the city, and no grant given would be more than £5k. In the case of over subscription, the Council would reserve the right to reduce the maximum given out pro rata.

Reason: To improve waste prevention and recycling in York.