

Meeting	Corporate Scrutiny Committee
Date	11 May 2026
Present	Councillors Fenton (Chair), Merrett (Vice-Chair), Coles, Perrett, K Taylor, Widdowson, Healey (Substitute) and Whitcroft (Substitute)
Officers Present	Julie Gallagher, Head of Democratic Services and Deputy Monitoring Officer Claire Foale, Chief Strategy Officer Sam Blyth, Head of City Strategy and Corporate Policy James Parker, Scrutiny Officer

53. Apologies for Absence (5.33pm)

Apologies were received and noted from Cllrs Ayre, Baxter and Watson. Cllr Baxter was substituted by Cllr Whitcroft and Cllr Watson was substituted by Cllr Healey.

54. Declarations of Interest (5.33pm)

Members were asked to declare at this point in the meeting any disclosable pecuniary interests or other registrable interests that they might have in the business on the agenda, if they had not already done so in advance on the Register of Interests.

None were declared.

55. Minutes (5.33pm)

Resolved: That the minutes be approved as a correct record for the meeting held on 2 March 2026.

56. Public Participation (5.34pm)

It was reported that there had been no registrations to speak at the meeting under the Council's Public Participation Scheme.

57. Monitoring and Tracking of Approved Council Motions (5.35pm)

Members considered the report of the Chief Strategy Officer in relation to the progress of Council Motions since the last update to the Committee in November. The Committee discussed the status of the Motions contained in Annex A to the report, provided feedback and agreed to close the following Motions:

- 1. Equality for Disabled People
- 8. Dignity in Retirement
- 10. Protecting York's primary and Social Care Providers [the committee to receive an update following the House of Lords vote and then close].
- 12. Introduction of a Visitor Levy
- 13. Changes to disability and long-term sickness benefits
- 14. Working to tackle the growing epidemic of violence against women and girls
- 16. Supporting York's small businesses
- 17. Non-proliferation of Fossil Fuels
- 19. Fair Funding for York
- 20. Tackling Pavement Parking to Promote Safe, Accessible Streets for All
- 22. Tackling pollution in York's Rivers
- 23. Enhancing the Benefits of Devolution for York
- 27. Removal of Sarah Ferguson's Honorary Freedom of the City Status.

Resolved: That the content of Annex A be noted and the Motions listed above be closed.

Reason: To ensure that the process for monitoring and implementing approved Council motions remain sufficiently robust.

58. Schedule of Petitions (6.09pm)

Members considered the report of the Director of Governance in relation to the Schedule of Petitions, contained at Annex B of the report as published in the supplementary agenda pack.

Members agreed to close the following petitions:

- 212. Tranby Avenue Parking Problems
- 225. Connexions Bus, No.16
- 233. Including Levisham Street in Respark Zone R20
- 235. Resident Parking – Greenfields
- 248. Lowfield Estate Residents reopen Tudor Road
- 251. Speed limit on Sheriff Hutton Road
- 255. Safe Nursery Parking at Minster Yard
- 256. Hazel Court Booking System

Members also requested that the updates added to the schedule following the last report be highlighted in red and distributed to the committee.

Resolved: That the schedule of petitions be noted and those petitions listed above be closed.

Reason: To ensure the Committee carries out its constitutional role in relation to petitions.

59. Work Plan (6.34pm)

Members considered the draft work plan for the committee and the overview scrutiny work plan for the scrutiny committees.

The Committee agreed to delete possible items Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) and Section 106 agreements, as they had been covered elsewhere.

Members noted the additional meeting for 22 June, pre-decision scrutiny and the re-convening of the Boundary Commission Task and Finish Group.

Members also requested an update on the Finance and Performance information which had not been received, as previously agreed, via email.

Resolved: That the work plan be noted.

Reason: To ensure an overview of the scrutiny work plan.

Cllr S Fenton, Chair

[The meeting started at 5.32 pm and finished at 6.54 pm].

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