

CITY OF YORK COUNCIL

Resolutions and proceedings of the Meeting of the City of York Council held in Guildhall, York on Thursday, 24th February, 2011, starting at 6.30 pm

Present: The Lord Mayor (Clr Sue Galloway) in the Chair, and the following Councillors:

ACOMB WARD

Horton
Simpson-Laing

BISHOPTHORPE WARD

Galvin

CLIFTON WARD

Douglas
King
Scott

DERWENT WARD

Brooks

DRINGHOUSES & WOODTHORPE WARD

Holvey
Reid
Sunderland

FISHERGATE WARD

D'Agorne
Taylor

FULFORD WARD

Aspden

GUILDHALL WARD

Looker
B Watson

HAXBY & WIGGINTON WARD

Firth
Hogg
R Watson

HESLINGTON WARD

Jamieson-Ball

HEWORTH WARD

Boyce
Funnell
Potter

HEWORTH WITHOUT WARD

Ayre

HOLGATE WARD

Alexander
Bowgett
Crisp

HULL ROAD WARD

Cregan
Hoban

HUNTINGTON & NEW EARSWICK
WARD

Hyman
Orrell
Runciman

MICKLEGATE WARD

Fraser
Gunnell
Merrett

OSBALDWICK WARD

Morley

RURAL WEST YORK WARD

Gillies
Healey
Hudson

SKELTON, RAWCLIFFE & CLIFTON
WITHOUT WARD

Moore
Watt
Waudby

STRENSALL WARD

Kirk
Wiseman

WESTFIELD WARD

Steve Galloway
Sue Galloway
Waller

WHELDRAKE WARD

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Vassie

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

62. The Lord Mayor invited all Members with any personal or prejudicial interests in the business on the agenda to declare their interests at this point in the meeting. Advice on the declaration of interests in respect of the Budget had been circulated to all Members by the Monitoring Officer, together with a form on which to record their interests.

The following prejudicial interests were declared, via the completed forms, in relation to relevant aspects of the Capital and Revenue Budget proposals:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Description of Interest</u>
Cllr Sue Galloway (Lord Mayor)	Holder of allotment land at Plot 34B, Holgate Allotments
Cllr Horton	Holder of a bus pass
Cllr Looker	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Director of North Yorkshire Credit Union - Clerk to the Governors, St Johns University - Company Secretary, York Theatre Royal - Son and daughter-in-law employed by CYC - Member of York Museums Trust
Cllr Reid	Board Member, York Theatre Royal
Cllr Sunderland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Work at Citizens' Advice Bureau (CAB) - Member of York Credit Union

The following personal interests were declared, via the completed forms, in relation to relevant aspects of the Revenue and Capital Budget proposals:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Description of Interest</u>
Cllr Alexander	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Member of the GMB - Holder of a free parking pass
Cllr Aspden	Member of York Credit Union
Cllr Ayre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Council-appointed nominee on Board of York CVS - Council-appointed nominee on Board of York CAB
Cllr Boyce	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Employee of health-related charity in receipt of grant - Trustee of another health-related charity in receipt of grant - Mother receives paid for home care from CYC

Cllr Crisp	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Make regular donations to Oxfam, British Red Cross, MacMillan Cancer Research, Salvation Army - Trustee of RLS-UK / Ekbom Support Group - Director of York Tourism Partnership 'Visit York'
Cllr D'Agorne	Employed as Careers Adviser at York College
Cllr Fraser	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Member of retired sections of UNISON and Unite (TGWU / Acts sections) - Non-voting participating observer (CYC appointed) on York CVS Trustees - CYC appointed Governor of York Teaching Hospitals Foundation Trust - Resident in an area covered by a Respark Scheme
Cllr Funnell	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chair of Friends of St Nicholas Fields Management Committee - Trustee of York CVS - Member of Older People's Assembly - Governor of Burnholme Community College - Member of Scarcroft Allotments Committee - Holder of a Residents' Parking permit - Holder of a Senior Citizens' bus pass
Cllr Gunnell	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Trustee of York Playspace - Trustee of Welfare Benefits Unit - Employed by York CVS
Cllr Hyman	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Member of Science City York Audit & Finance Committee - Wife works for Adult Learning, CYC
Cllr King	Daughter a carer and union representative
Cllr Merrett	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Daughter a pupil at a York primary school, has school, meals and music lessons, uses Energise and Yearsley pools - Governor at St Paul's Primary School - Member of Cycling England Board and York Cycle Campaign. Honorary Member of CTC

Cllr Morley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Holder of a bus pass - Holder of an allotment (self and wife) - Sharing Carer (self and wife) - Treasurer of Holgate Methodist Church – expenses include Council waste charges and income includes letting for elections and to Holgate pre-school playgroup.
Cllr Orrell	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Member of York Credit Union - Member of Heworth Golf Club
Cllr Reid	Governor of Woodthorpe Primary School
Cllr Runciman	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Member of NYCU - Trustee of Theatre Royal
Cllr Scott	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Member of Unite the Union, TGWU Section, Acts section - Member of National Rail, Maritime & Transport Union - Former member of Theatre Royal Members' Club - Wife an employee of the Council (role not currently under threat in the proposals before Council or any amendment) - Son at Fishergate School, has school meals, attends Funfisher out of school club
Cllr Simpson-Laing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Daughter attends Poppleton Rd Primary School, has school meals, and music lessons through CYC music service - Work for Relate York & Harrogate, who receive a budget from CYC – does not affect employment - Treasurer of Poppleton Rd out of school club, which rents building, and seeks funding & training from, CYC; daughter attends club - Treasurer of Friends of Back Park, which receives Ward Committee funding - Member of UNISON
Cllr Taylor	Lives in a ResPark area
Cllr Waller	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Governor of Westfield Primary and York High School - Holder of an allotment at 34b Holgate - Board Member, Welcome to Yorkshire - Board Member, Food Festival - Member of York Credit Union
Cllr B Watson	In receipt of a bus pass

Cllr Waudby	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Holder of a Senior Citizen bus pass - Son a Council tenant - Daughter works for YorkLink
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CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

63. There were no Civic announcements.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

64. The Lord Mayor reported that there had been fourteen registrations under the Council's Public Participation Scheme to speak at the meeting with regard to business associated with the setting of the Budget. As the Public Participation Session was limited by Standing Orders to 30 minutes, the first ten speakers would be called and the remaining four would be invited to address the meeting only if time allowed.

In the event, eleven speakers were called, as follows:-

- (i) Ceri Owen spoke against reductions in funding for services to vulnerable people, including those with a mental illness, learning, physical or sensory disabilities, older people, and carers. She handed in a petition to that effect, signed by 1,22 people.
- (ii) Joe Armer, of the Youth Council, spoke against cuts in services to young people; in particular, mental health support and careers advice.
- (iii) Poppy Hindby-Smith, of the Youth Council, also spoke against cuts in services to young people, with emphasis on the effects of the cuts on individual service provision.
- (iv) Simon Moss, of Tang Hall Residents' Association, spoke against the proposal to trial 24/7 opening of Hull Road Park, on the grounds that the dangers to users, particularly children, would outweigh the estimated savings.
- (v) Heather MacKenzie, of UNISON, spoke against the budget savings proposals in terms of their effect on Council staff and the wider economy, particularly in relation to the market testing of care services, cuts to children's and youth services, and the Conservative proposal to reduce the funding of facility time for union representatives.

- (vi) Peter Barton, of Fulford Residents' Association, spoke against any proposals to leave parks and open spaces open at night, due to the risk of a subsequent increase in anti-social behaviour, leading to extra cleaning and security costs.
- (vii) Ben Tanguay spoke in support of keeping the City's libraries open, and particularly Dringhouses Library, on behalf of Dringhouses residents and library staff and users.
- (viii) Owen Clayton spoke against the budget savings proposals, commenting that the cuts would hurt vulnerable groups disproportionately and that the proposal to fund highway maintenance from reserves showed that the Executive had its priorities wrong.
- (ix) Jennifer Clayton spoke against cuts to Council-funded mental health services, from the perspective of someone who had benefited from receipt of these services.
- (x) Philip Crowe spoke in objection to the proposal to cease the targeted mental health in schools project.
- (xi) Ken Beavan spoke in support of proposals to reduce the amount spent by the Council on employment costs.

At this point, the meeting was disrupted by protesters and proceedings were delayed for approximately 15 minutes.

PETITIONS

65. In accordance with Standing Order 7, a petition was presented by Cllr Potter on behalf of residents of Glen Lodge sheltered housing scheme, objecting to proposed changes to their care arrangements.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE IN RESPECT OF THE CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITOR 3

66. Cllr Waller moved, and Cllr Runciman seconded, the recommendation made by the Executive at their meeting on 16 February 2010 in relation to the Capital Programme Monitor 3 (Minute 165 refers), as follows:

“That Council approve the net adjustments of (£8.504m) in 2010/11, £2.337m in 2011/12, (£5.851m) in 2012/13, (£6.023m) in 2013/14 and (£3.517m) in 2014/15, as set out on a scheme by scheme basis in the report and contained in Annex A.”

On being put to the vote, the above recommendation was declared CARRIED and it was

RESOLVED: That the recommendation contained in Minute 165 of the Executive meeting held on 16 February 2010 be approved.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE ON THE COUNCIL'S CAPITAL PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR 2011/12 - 2015/16, THE FINANCIAL STRATEGY 2011 - 2017 (INCLUDING THE COUNCIL'S DETAILED REVENUE BUDGET PROPOSALS FOR 2011/12) AND THE COUNCIL'S TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY STATEMENT AND PRUDENTIAL INDICATORS FOR 2011/12 - 2015/16

67. **Executive Recommendations**

Cllr Waller moved, and Cllr Runciman seconded, the recommendations of the Executive in respect of the Council's Capital Programme Budget for 2011/12-2015/16, Financial Strategy for 2011-2017 (including detailed Revenue Budget proposals for 2011/12) and Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Prudential Indicators for 2011/12-2015/16, set out in the report at page 3 of the Council papers, as follows:

“Capital Budget

15. The Executive recommends that Council:

(i) agree to the revised capital programme of £175.318m, that reflects a net overall increase of £18.891m (as set out in the 'growth' column of Annex A **with the amendments totalling £2.616m set out in (d) and (e) below**). Key elements of this include;

a) the bids recommended in paragraph 114 (table 5) totalling £7.205m, **subject to the following amendment:**

- the timing of Yearsley Pool energy solution moved to 2012/13 from 2011/12 to permit thorough investigation of necessity and appropriate technology

b) the schemes funded from external resources in paragraph 122 (table 8) totalling £3.629m

c) the revised prudential borrowing profile for the IT development plan in paragraph 126 (table 9) totalling £3.750m that shows a decrease of £250k per annum in years 11/12 - 14/15 and an extension of the programme by £750k in 2015/16 containing specific schemes

d) the use of HRA balances to fund HRA capital schemes as set out in paragraph 130 (table 10) totalling £5.691m **subject to the following amendment;**

- the inclusion of £700k (including work at The Glebe) towards a building insulation programme, including the fitting of double glazed windows, to commence

in 2011/12 to bring the increase in the HRA capital programme to £6.391m

e) the inclusion of the following new/amended schemes totalling £1.916m with a revenue implication of £29k in 2011/12:

- £1.000m in 2012/13 to be utilised in conjunction with the Environment Agency for the provision of the Leeman Road flood defences
- an additional £50k p.a.(to the £80k p. a. already included in the LTP line) allocation for the street lamppost replacement programme from 2011/12 to 2015/16, totalling £250k
- £100k p.a. from 2011/12 to 2015/16 to fund an energy generation project which will exploit modern technologies such as photovoltaic cells and which is aimed at providing an additional revenue stream, through the sale of energy, by utilising the availability of new “feed in” tariffs, totalling £500k
- an additional capital investment in structural highways of £166k for 2011/12.

ii) Note that the revenue implications of the above amendments in 2011/12 are £29k, to be reflected in the revenue budget proposals

iii) note the overall funding position identified in the report, which highlights a current shortfall in resources over the next five years, which the Council will need to address through increased revenue contributions in the medium term;

iv) approve the full restated programme as summarised in Annex A totalling £175.318m (£172.702m plus £2.616m amendments) up to 2015/16.

Revenue Budget

15. The Executive recommends that Council approve the budget proposals outlined in the report of the Director of Customer and Business Support Services and set out in detail within the financial strategy, in particular:

- (i) the net revenue expenditure requirement for 2011/12 of £125,728k (£123,900k after deducting the grant assistance to keep the council tax rise to zero), as set out in Annex 1;
- (ii) the housing revenue account proposals outlined in Annex 6;
- (iii) the dedicated schools grant proposals outlined in the report;
- (iv) the revenue growth proposals of £9,394k on-going for

2011/12, plus one-off growth of £442k, outlined in Annex 3, **subject to the following amendments;**

a) reduce growth proposals by £301k as follows:

- CORG04 - Corporate contingency reduce from £400k to £99k

b) include new growth proposals totalling £824k as follows:

- one-off investment in highways maintenance of £657k to be funded from reserves
- Winter maintenance budget for ward committees in the sum of £40k
- Jobs fighting fund in the sum of £98k
- Revenue impact of capital programme amendment for street lighting in the sum of £5k
- Revenue impact of capital programme amendment for photovoltaic scheme in the sum of £9k
- Revenue impact of capital programme amendment for highways maintenance in the sum of £15k

resulting in revised figures of £9,260k for ongoing growth in 2011/12, plus one-off growth of £1,099k.

(v) the revenue savings proposals of £21,170k for 2011/12 outlined in Annex 4, **subject to the following amendments;**

a) reduce saving proposals by £100k as follows:

- ACES12 - reduce saving for review of young people's service from £200k to £100k to help sustain the Urbie bus, skatepark and Duke of Edinburgh schemes

b) reject saving proposals totalling £34k as follows:

- CSTS43 / SCTED04 Welcome to Yorkshire in the sum of £34k

resulting in a revised figure of £21,036k.

(vi) use of prior year collection fund surplus of £1,000k;

(vii) in terms of the Council's reserves, the use in 2011/12 of £657k from general reserves for highways maintenance.

(viii) Note the medium term financial strategy projections that indicate the need for savings/efficiencies in future years of £10m per annum,

Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Prudential Indicators

16. The Executive recommends that Council approve:

- (i) The proposed Treasury Management Strategy for 2011/12 including the annual investment strategy and the minimum revenue provision policy statement;
- (ii) The Prudential Indicators for 2011/12 to 2015/16 (Annex A);
- (iii) The Specified and Non-specified investments schedule (Annex D);
- (iv) The Scheme of Delegation and the Role of the Section 151 Officer (Annex F)”

Labour Amendment

Cllr Alexander then moved, and Cllr Simpson-Laing seconded, an amendment to the above recommendations on behalf of the Labour Group, as follows:

“Capital Budget

“In paragraph 15(i):

- After ‘programme of’, delete ‘£175.318m’ and insert ‘174.930m
- After ‘increase of’, delete ‘18.891m’ and insert ‘18.503m’
- After ‘amendments totalling, delete ‘2.616m’ and insert ‘3.682m’
- In sub-paragraph a), insert a second bullet point as follows:
 - *delay the £2.5m West of York Salvage and Recycling Centre by one year as no business plan has been received, resulting in a revenue saving of £0.222m in 2011/12*
- In sub-paragraph e):
 - , after ‘schemes totalling’, delete ‘1.916m’ and insert ‘2.982m’
 - after ‘implication of’, delete ‘£29k’ and insert £92k
 - in the first bullet point, after ‘flood defences’ insert ‘*and in addition £0.356m from the sale proceeds of the land purchased for the new Acomb office to be used for Leeman Road Flood Defences and Clementhorpe and other Flood Defences (predicated on Government contribution)*’
 - after the last bullet point, insert: ‘*and the further inclusion of:*
 - *replace damaged bins primarily in 2011/12 in the City Centre with high quality replacements - £0.075m*
 - *increase Access York contribution to £0.496m over two years by adding a further contribution of £0.203m in 2011/12*
 - *increase expenditure in 2011/12 on road and*

- footpath repair - £0.060m*
 - *introduce smaller recycling boxes for single occupancy terraced houses and flats in the City Centre (to yield higher recycling rates and save £0.111m each year) - £0.150m*
 - *capitalisation totalling £0.222m, comprising:*
 - *NH304 Slurry Seal Footpath - £0.067m*
 - *NH403 50% of Surface Dressing - £0.087m*
 - *NH404 50% of Asphalt Repairs - £0.057m*
 - *NH405 50% of Concrete Patching - £0.011m*
- *Add a further sub-paragraph:*
 - 'f) Remove the following schemes from the Capital Programme, releasing a revenue saving of £0.129m:*
 - *the Acomb Office project (to retain the existing office) - £1.394m*
 - *the Library Square Scheme - £0.060m.*

In paragraph 15(ii):

- Delete '£29k' and insert 'a saving of £0.259m'.

In paragraph 15(iv):

- After 'totalling', delete '£175.318m and insert '174.930m'
- In brackets, after 'plus', delete £2.616m and insert '£3.682m'.

Revenue Budget

"In paragraph 16(iv):

- In sub-paragraph a):
 - after 'proposals by', delete '£301k' and insert £0.589m'
 - add a second bullet point:
 - *by a further £0.288m as a result of the revenue implications of the proposed Capital Programme changes as set out in paragraph 15(i), a), e) and f).*
- In sub-paragraph b):
 - after 'proposals totalling', delete '£824k' and insert '£1.030m'
 - delete the second bullet point, beginning 'winter maintenance'
 - insert the following additional bullet points:
 - *pump prime additional Apprenticeships - £0.025m*
 - *pump prime development of Statutory Bus Partnership with measures for Air Quality Improvements (6 months) - £0.158m*
 - *recycling promotion in poor performing areas (to yield increased recycling rates and a £0.111m saving) - £0.030m*
 - *small grant to North Yorkshire Credit Union specifically for a Facilitation Officer - £0.010m*
 - *small grant to Older People's Assembly - £0.002m*

- *small grant to York Disabled Workers' Co-operative - £0.001m*
- *increase Respite Care provision - £0.020m*
- after 'revised figures of', delete '9.260k' and insert '£9.178m'.

In paragraph 16(v):

- In sub-paragraph a):
 - delete '£100k' and insert '£0.505m'
 - insert the following additional bullet points:
 - *ACES12 – further reduce cuts to Young People's Services - £0.050m*
 - *ACES13 – reduce cuts to review of Advice and Guidance (Connexions for youth unemployment) - £0.080m*
 - *ACES23 – limit planned rise in Adult Social Services personal support, day care activities and transport to 50% of the proposed saving (predicated on policy change) - £0.175m*
 - *ACES64 – reduce cuts to Short Breaks for Disabled Children - £0.100m*
- In sub-paragraph b) (formerly paragraph (vi)):
 - after 'savings proposals totalling', delete '£34k' and insert '£0.263m'
 - insert the following additional bullet points:
 - *ACES58 – reject cut to Health and Disability Assessment - £0.005m*
 - *ACES75 – reject cut to Disabled Children's Childcare Equipment - £0.014m*
 - *ACES84 – reject cut to Teenage Pregnancy Budget - £0.005m*
 - *CANS104 – reject removal of development capacity for Yearsley Pool Management Team - £0.015m*
 - *CANS110 – reject cut to Raceday Toilets - £0.005m*
 - *CANS16 – reject scaling back of Library Service Staff - £0.040m*
 - *CANS33 – reject cut to re-alignment of Homelessness Prevention - £0.015m*
 - *CSTS15 - reject cut to Subsidised Bus Services and use funding for a review to move some services to commercial providers - £0.050m*
 - *CTS45 – reject increase in Respark charges - £0.012m*
 - *OCES04 – reject 80% cut in Holocaust Memorial Day Budget - £0.004m*
 - *OCES07 – reject cut to 'Talk About' and use for the organising of 'York's Fairness Commission' - £0.003m*
 - *ACES60 – reject cut to Respite Care - £0.005m*
 - *CANS114 – reject cut of 10 % to Ward Committee budgets to maintain budgets to*

2010/11 levels without prescription for Winter Maintenance – £0.056m

- insert the following additional sub-paragraphs:
 - 'c) Make an increase in the value of the following savings, totalling £0.258m:
 - CANS01 – increase reduction in Agency Staff to 'save' permanent jobs from redundancy - £0.125m
 - CANS119 – increase recycling rates to 47.3% (with reference to capital amendment for smaller recycling boxes) - £0.111m
 - CANS83 – increase savings in Car Park Maintenance from £0.005m to £0.015m, resulting in an additional saving of £0.010m
 - CANS98 – increase savings in Anti-Skid Tarmac from £0.008m to £0.020m, resulting in an additional saving of £0.012m.
 - 'd) Insert new savings totalling £0.294m, as follows:
 - reduce staff mileage allowance to HMRC guidance levels (part year effect) - £0.072m
 - capitalisation, totalling £0.222m, of:
 - NH304 - Slurry Seal Footpath - £0.067m
 - NH403 – 50% of Surface Dressing - £0.087m
 - NH404 – 50% of Asphalt Repairs - £0.057m
 - NH405 – 50% of Concrete Patching - £0.011m
- after 'revised figure' delete '£21.036k' and insert '£20.954m'."

On being put to the vote, the above amendment was declared LOST.

Conservative amendment

Cllr Gillies then moved, and Cllr Healey seconded, the following amendment to the Executive recommendations, on behalf of the Conservative Group:

"Capital Budget

In paragraph 15(i):

- in sub-paragraph a), insert an additional bullet point:
 - 're-schedule the expenditure on Acomb Office from 2011/12 to 2012/13, releasing £124k of revenue in 2011/12

In paragraph 15(ii):

- delete '£29k' and insert 'a reduction of £95k'.

Revenue Budget

In paragraph 16(iv):

- in sub-paragraph a):
 - after 'growth proposals by', delete '£301k' and insert '£412k'
 - in the first bullet point, delete '£99k' and insert 'by

£288k to £112k'

- insert an additional bullet point:
 - *by £124k as a result of the revenue implications of the proposed Capital Programme changes as set out in paragraph 15(i)a)*
- in sub-paragraph b):
 - after 'growth proposals totalling', delete '824k' and insert '£1.102k'
 - after 'reserves' in the first bullet point, insert '*to be held in contingency but earmarked – and only released following submission of a report from officers detailing spend*'
 - insert the following additional bullet points:
 - *apprentice / graduate trainee schemes – four trainees at a cost of £100k*
 - *'Promoting York' fund in the sum of £50k*
 - *investment in music into OPH also to include sheltered housing at a cost of £10k*
 - *caretaking for youth café which would provide them with basic caretaking for the building but still leave them to run and manage the remainder of the operation - £25k*
 - *fund to pump-prime initiatives in the voluntary sector which will enable council costs to be reduced in future years - £93k*
- after 'revised figures of' in the final sentence, delete '£9.260k' and insert '£9.427k'.

In paragraph 16(v):

- in sub-paragraph a):
 - after 'savings proposals by', delete '£100k' and insert '£200k'
 - Insert an additional bullet point as follows:
 - *ACES99 – reduce saving for two year olds' nursery pilot from £213k to £113k to allow funding for two year old childcare, say £4k per child and twenty children*
- add a further sub-paragraph:
 - 'c) *Insert new savings totalling £267k as follows:*
 - *reduce car mileage allowance to HMRC level and remove staff Park & Ride passes - (half year costs) £117k*
 - *reduce cost of Union Conveners' budgets - £50k*
 - *targeted reduction in Neighbourhood Management Unit, including savings through administration and reducing number of issues of Your City / Your Ward – £100k*
- after 'revised figure' at the end of the paragraph, delete '£21.036`k' and insert '£21.203k'.

In paragraph 16(vii):

- after 'highways maintenance', insert '*to be held as an earmarked sum in contingency*'

Add a further paragraph 16(ix):

'Request a review of the data capture questionnaires for personalisation assessments to be undertaken during 2011/12 with a

view to delivering savings in staff time’.”

Amended Recommendations

The recommendations, as amended, now read as follows:

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a) the bids recommended in paragraph 114 (table 5) totalling £7.205m, subject to the following amendment:

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- re-schedule the expenditure on Acomb Office from 2011/12 to 2012/13, releasing £124k of revenue in 2011/12*

b) the schemes funded from external resources in paragraph 122 (table 8) totalling £3.629m

c) the revised prudential borrowing profile for the IT development plan in paragraph 126 (table 9) totalling £3.750m that shows a decrease of £250k per annum in years 11/12 - 14/15 and an extension of the programme by £750k in 2015/16 containing specific schemes

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through the sale of energy, by utilising the availability of new “feed in” tariffs, totalling £500k

- *an additional capital investment in structural highways of £166k for 2011/12;*

*ii) note that the revenue implications of the above amendments in 2011/12 are a **reduction of £95k**, to be reflected in the revenue budget proposals;*

iii) note the overall funding position identified in the report, which highlights a current shortfall in resources over the next five years, which the Council will need to address through increased revenue contributions in the medium term;

iv) approve the full restated programme as summarised in Annex A totalling £175.318m (£172.702m plus £2.616m amendments) up to 2015/16.

Revenue Budget

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(iv) the revenue growth proposals of £9,394k on-going for 2011/12, plus one-off growth of £442k, outlined in Annex 3, subject to the following amendments;

*a) reduce growth proposals by **£412k** as follows:*

- *CORG04 - Corporate contingency reduce from £400k **by £288k to £112k***
- ***by £124k as a result of the revenue implications of the proposed Capital Programme changes as set out in paragraph 15(i)a)***

*b) include new growth proposals totalling **£1.102k** as follows:*

- *one-off investment in highways maintenance of £657k to be funded from reserves, **to be held in contingency but earmarked – and only released following submission of a report from officers detailing spend***
- *winter maintenance budget for ward committees in*

the sum of £40k

- *jobs fighting fund in the sum of £98k*
- *revenue impact of capital programme amendment for street lighting in the sum of £5k*
- *revenue impact of capital programme amendment for photovoltaic scheme in the sum of £9k*
- *revenue impact of capital programme amendment for highways maintenance in the sum of £15k*
- ***apprentice / graduate trainee schemes – four trainees at a cost of £100k***
- ***'Promoting York' fund in the sum of £50k***
- ***investment in music into OPH also to include sheltered housing at a cost of £10k***
- ***caretaking for youth café which would provide them with basic caretaking for the building but still leave them to run and manage the remainder of the operation - £25k***
- ***fund to pump-prime initiatives in the voluntary sector which will enable council costs to be reduced in future years - £93k***

resulting in revised figures of £9.427k for ongoing growth in 2011/12, plus one-off growth of £1,099k;

(v) *the revenue savings proposals of £21,170k for 2011/12 outlined in Annex 4, subject to the following amendments;*

a) *reduce saving proposals by £200k as follows:*

- *ACES12 - reduce saving for review of young people's service from £200k to £100k to help sustain the Urbie bus, skatepark and Duke of Edinburgh schemes*
- ***ACES 99 – reduce saving for two year olds' nursery pilot from £213k to £113k to allow funding for two year old childcare, say £4k per child and twenty children***

b) *reject saving proposals totalling £34k as follows:*

- *CSTS43 / SCTED04 Welcome to Yorkshire in the sum of £34k*

c) ***insert new savings totalling £267k as follows:***

- ***reduce car mileage allowance to HMRC level and remove staff Park & Ride passes – (half year costs) £117k***
- ***reduce costs of Union Conveners' budgets - £50k***
- ***targeted reduction in Neighbourhood Management Unit, including savings through administration and reducing number of issues of Your City / Your Ward - £100k***

resulting in a revised figure of £21,036k.

(vi) *use of prior year collection fund surplus of £1,000k;*

(vii) *in terms of the Council's reserves, the use in 2011/12 of £657k from general reserves for highways maintenance, to be held as an earmarked sum in contingency.*

(viii) *Note the medium term financial strategy projections that indicate the need for savings/efficiencies in future years of £10m per annum.*

(ix) Request a review of the data capture questionnaires for personalisation assessments to be undertaken during 2011/12 with a view to delivering savings in staff time."

A named vote was then requested and taken on the amended recommendations, with the following result:

For	Against	Abstained
Cllr Aspden	Cllr Alexander	
Cllr Ayre	Cllr Bowgett	
Cllr Brooks	Cllr Boyce	
Cllr Firth	Cllr Cregan	
Cllr Sue Galloway (Lord Mayor)	Cllr Crisp	
Cllr Steve Galloway	Cllr D'Agorne	
Cllr Galvin	Cllr Douglas	
Cllr Gillies	Cllr Fraser	
Cllr Healey	Cllr Funnell	
Cllr Holvey	Cllr Gunnell	
Cllr Hudson	Cllr Hoban	
Cllr Hyman	Cllr Hogg	
Cllr Kirk	Cllr Horton	
Cllr Moore	Cllr Jamieson-Ball	
Cllr Morley	Cllr King	
Cllr Orrell	Cllr Looker	
Cllr Reid	Cllr Merrett	
Cllr Runciman	Cllr Potter	
Cllr Sunderland	Cllr Scott	
Cllr Waller	Cllr Simpson-Laing	
Cllr R Watson	Cllr Taylor	
Cllr Watt	Cllr B Watson	
Cllr Waudby		
Cllr Wiseman		
24	22	0

The recommendations, as amended, were therefore declared CARRIED by 24 votes to 22 and it was

RESOLVED: That the Executive recommendations in respect of the Capital Programme, Financial Strategy and Treasury Management Strategy Statement & Prudential Indicators, as amended by the

Conservative amendment, be approved.

COUNCIL TAX RESOLUTION

68. Councillor Waller moved, and Councillor Runciman seconded, the Council Tax Resolution for 2010/11, as set out in the report at page 17 of the Council papers.

On being put to the vote, the motion was declared CARRIED and it was

RESOLVED: That the revised Council Tax Resolution for 2010/11 set out in the report at page 17 of the Council papers be approved, as follows:

(i) **COUNCIL TAX BASE**

That it be noted that the Director of Customer and Business Support Services, under his delegated authority, calculated the following amounts for the year 2011/12 in accordance with regulations made under Section 33(5) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992:

(a) **Whole of the Council's Area**

67,041.43 being the amount calculated in accordance with Regulation 3 of the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) Regulations 1992 and the Local Government Act 2003, as its Council Tax Base for the year.

(b) **Parts of the Council's Area**

the amounts mentioned in Column 1 of Schedule A to this Resolution, being the amounts calculated in accordance with Regulation 6 of the Regulations and the Local Government Act 2003, as the amounts of its Council Tax Base for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate.

(ii) **DISTRICT/PARISH COUNCIL TAX RATES**

That the following amounts be now calculated by the Council for the year 2011/12 in accordance with Sections 32 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992:

(a) **District/Parish Gross Expenditure**

£341,643,938.00 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32(2)(a) to (e) of the Act.

(b) **Income**

£217,141,350 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32(3)(a) to (c) of the Act.

(c) **District/Parish Net Expenditure**

£124,502,588.00 being the amount by which the aggregate at 12(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 12(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 32(4) of the Act, as its budget requirement for the year.

- (d) **Government Grants and Collection Fund Surpluses**
£50,768,150.00 being the aggregate of the sums which the Council estimates will be payable for the year into its General Fund in respect of redistributed non-domestic rates and revenue support grant, increased by the amount of the sums which the Council estimates will be transferred in the year from its Collection Fund to its General Fund in accordance with Regulation 4(7) of the Local Government Changes for England (Collection Fund Surpluses and Deficits) Regulations 1995 and increased by the amount of any sum which the Council estimates will be transferred from its Collection Fund to its General Fund pursuant to the Collection Fund (Local Government Changes for England)(Community Charges) Directions under Section 98(4) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 made on 22 November, 1995.
- (e) **Basic Amount of Tax (including average parish precepts)**
£1,099.8339 being the amount at 12(c) above less the amount at 12(d) above, all divided by the amount at 11(a) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 33(1) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year.
- (f) **Parish Precepts and Special Expenses**
£602,298.00 being the aggregate amount of all special items referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act.
- (g) **Basic Amount of Tax (Unparished Area)**
£1,090.85 being the amount at 12(e) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 12(f) above by the amount at 11(a) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34(2) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which no special item relates.
- (h) **Basic Amount of Tax (Parished Areas and Special Expenses Areas)**
the amounts mentioned in Column 2 of Schedule A to this Resolution, being the amounts given by adding to the amount at 12(g) above the amounts of the special item or items relating to dwellings in those parts of the Council's area mentioned divided in each case by the amount at 11(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34(3) of the Act, as the basic amounts of its Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to

which one or more special items relate.

(i) **District/Parish Council Tax Rates**

the amounts mentioned in Columns 3 A to H of Schedule A to this Resolution, being the amounts given by multiplying the amounts at 12(g) and 12(h) above by the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5(1) of the Act, is applicable to dwellings listed in a particular valuation band divided by the number which in that proportion is applicable to dwellings listed in valuation band D, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 36(1) of the Act, as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands.

(iii) **NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE AUTHORITY TAX RATES**

That it be noted that for the year 2011/12 the North Yorkshire Police Authority has stated the following amounts in precept issued to the Council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

Valuation Bands

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
136.37	159.09	181.82	204.55	250.01	295.46	340.92	409.10

(iv) **NORTH YORKSHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY TAX RATES**

That it be noted that for the year 2011/12 the North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority has stated the following amounts in precept issued to the Council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

Valuation Bands

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
41.40	48.30	55.20	62.10	75.90	89.70	103.50	124.20

(v) **TOTAL COUNCIL TAX RATES**

That, having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 12(i), 13 and 14 above, the Council, in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the amounts mentioned in Schedule B to this Resolution as the amounts of Council Tax for the year 2011/12 for each of the categories of dwellings shown therein.

[The meeting started at 6.30 pm and concluded at 9.45 pm]