



## Notice of a public meeting of

### Decision Session - Combined Executive Member Decision Session

**To:** Councillors Douglas, Webb, Kent, and Pavlovic

**Date:** Tuesday, 27 January 2026

**Time:** 10.00 am

**Venue:** West Offices - Station Rise, York YO1 6GA

### AGENDA

#### **Notice to Members – Post Decision Calling In:**

Members are reminded that, should they wish to call in any item\* on this agenda, notice must be given to Democratic Services by **4:00pm on Tuesday, 3 February 2026.**

\*With the exception of matters that have been the subject of a previous call in, require Full Council approval, or are urgent which are not subject to the call-in provisions, any items that are called in will be considered by the Corporate Scrutiny Committee.

Written representations in respect of items on this agenda should be submitted to Democratic Services by **5:00pm on Friday, 23 January 2026.**

**1. Appointing a Chair**

To confirm arrangements for chairing the meeting as follows:

Councillor Douglas, Leader of the Council and Executive Member for Policy, Strategy and Partnerships – Agenda items 1-6.

Councillor Kent, Executive Member for Environment and Climate Emergency – Agenda item 7.

Councillor Webb, Executive Member for Children, Young People and Education – Agenda items 8-9.

Councillor Pavlovic, Executive Member for Housing, Planning and Safer Communities – Agenda items 10-14.

**2. Apologies for Absence**

To receive and note apologies for absence.

**3. Declarations of Interest** (Pages 7 - 8)

At this point in the meeting, Members and co-opted members are asked to declare any disclosable pecuniary interest, or other registerable interest, they might have in respect of business on this agenda, if they have not already done so in advance on the Register of Interests. The disclosure must include the nature of the interest.

An interest must also be disclosed in the meeting when it becomes apparent to the member during the meeting.

[Please see attached sheet for further guidance for Members].

**4. Minutes** (Pages 9 - 16)

To approve and sign the minutes of the Combined Executive Member Decision Session held on 2 December 2025.

**5. Public Participation**

At this point in the meeting members of the public who have registered to speak can do so. Members of the public may speak on agenda items or on matters within the remit of the committee. Please note that our registration deadlines are set as 2 working days before the meeting, in order to facilitate the management of public participation at our meetings. The deadline for registering at this meeting is 5:00pm on Friday, 23 January 2026.

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- 6. Communications and Engagement Strategy** (Pages 17 - 52)  
This report sets out the recommendations to adopt the corporate communications and engagement strategy which outlines how the council will communicate effectively with its core audiences.
- 7. York Walls in Bloom** (Pages 53 - 74)  
This report seeks approval for proposals to adapt how the ecology of the Bar Walls ramparts is managed to promote sustainability, biodiversity, and community engagement.
- 8. Admissions Arrangements for the 2027/28 School Year** (Pages 75 - 468)  
This report seeks approval of the admissions policies and published admission numbers for community and voluntary controlled schools – schools for whom the City of York Council is the admission authority – for the school year beginning in September 2027.
- 9. Annual Childcare Sufficiency Assessment 2025: Setting Analysis of the Childcare Market Across the City of York** (Pages 469 - 516)  
This report provides an update on how City of York Council is meeting its statutory duty to secure sufficient early years and childcare provision for children aged 0 – 14 years (and up to 18 years for children with SEND).
- 10. Housing Tenancy Policy and Strategy** (Pages 517 - 578)  
It is a legal requirement for Local Housing Authorities to publish a Tenancy Strategy under the Localism Act 2011. The Tenancy Strategy sets expectations for all social landlords in the city to take into account in their Tenancy Policies. This report outlines the proposed Tenancy Policy and Strategy for the City of York.

- 11. Antisocial Behaviour Policy** (Pages 579 - 622)  
This report seeks approval of a revised Anti-Social Behaviour Policy.
- 12. Damp and Mould Policy** (Pages 623 - 654)  
This report seeks approval of a Damp and Mould Policy for City of York Council's housing stock.
- 13. Neighbourhood Improvement Programme 2025/27** (Pages 655 - 668)  
This report provides an update on the Housing Neighbourhood Improvement Programme (NIP) and seeks approval to engage members and communities in proposals for spending NIP annual funding, and approval of NIP HRA funded projects and expenditure as outlined in the report.
- 14. Urgent Business**  
Any other business which the Chair considers urgent under the Local Government Act 1972.

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