

**DECISION SESSION - EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR HOUSING & SAFER
NEIGHBOURHOODS**

THURSDAY, 19 JULY 2018

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Decision Session Executive Member for Housing and Safer Neighbourhoods held on Thursday, 19 July 2018. 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 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 Democratic Services.

**4. EXTENSION OF MANDATORY HOUSES IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION
(HMO) LICENSING**

Resolved: That the new duties imposed on the council relating to the following, be noted;

- i. The extension of mandatory HMO licensing to smaller HMO's
- ii. The introduction of two new conditions, imposing minimum room sizes for sleeping accommodation and waste storage conditions at HMO properties.

and;

That option 1 be approved as follows:

To agree the altered implementation policy to include;

- i. risk assessing application forms to determine the time of our visit within the 5 year period, prioritising non-compliant properties first
- ii. a refresh of our existing fees, taking into consideration the new duties placed on our teams

Reason: The Council has a statutory duty to implement the new legislation, by adopting the new HMO policy it will continue to raise standards in the poorest performing sector.

5. DECISION ON LEAVING NORTH YORKSHIRE HOME CHOICE AND ADOPTING A CYC HOUSING ALLOCATION POLICY

Resolved: To agree option 1 and leave the North Yorkshire Home Choice Partnership, adopt the proposed City of York Council allocations policy and agree to retain a Choice Based Letting (CBL) system. The new policy will not be implemented until the introduction of the new Housing IT system however agreement is required in advance to inform the tender and design of the new system

Reason: The sub regional NYHC partnership and allocation policy no longer meets the needs of York which are at variance to the sub regional partners. The NYHC system is an administrative burden and York wishes to integrate the4 Choice Based Lettings system with the new Housing IT system