

Decision Session - Executive Member for Transport

Tuesday, 8 September 2020

Decisions

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Decision Session of the Executive Member for Transport held on Tuesday, 8 September 2020. 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. Please note that the decisions at item 6 on the list cannot be called in, as they were made under urgent business.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Democratic Services.

3. Traffic Management Order Waiting Lists

Resolved: (i) That the following options be approved in respect of orders to be added to the Transport Services work programme for delivery once funding has been identified, as recommended in the report:-

- a) Modifications to aid cycle movement
To advertise all the suggested amendments once funding has been identified, using the legal minimum consultation (Option 1).

Reason: Because these are uncontroversial minor alterations that introduce improvements to the cycle network and contribute to the further encouragement of active travel options.

- b) Redundant Restrictions
Subject to funding being identified, to advertise the removal of the old access restrictions and carry out some further investigation into the removal of the right turn prohibition from Lendal, to be brought back for consideration at a later date (Option 2).

Reason: Because these restrictions are not effective and no longer needed, and the ongoing maintenance is a needless drain on resources.

c) Changes to speed limits

To receive a report on these requests at a future Decision Session that will outline costs, potential for improvements and scheme priority, depending on resources (Option 1).

Reason: Because this has the potential to target limited resources to where there is scope for actual improvements.

(ii) That the work be prioritised as follows:

- Priority 1 – the modifications to aid cycle movement and the removal of redundant restrictions.
- Priority 2 – the speed limit review report.
- Priority 3 – the potential new restrictions.

Reason: Because the modifications and removals require no further investigation work and the speed limit report can be started, whereas the requests for new restrictions, if taken forward first, would have an adverse impact on other areas of workload and commitment.

4. Winter Gritting Cycle Pilot Trial Analysis

Resolved: That Option 1 be approved and winter treatment be continued on the cycle routes that have been defined during the trial period, using the reserve budget for a further year of the trial.

Reason: In order to encourage sustainable travel, and to confirm the council's winter maintenance plans for the winter ahead.

5. Progress Towards Determining all Outstanding DMMO Applications

Resolved: That the content of the report be noted and approval be given to forward it to the Local Government Ombudsman.

Reason: In accordance with the steps required to avoid a finding of maladministration by the LGO.

6. Urgent Business: E-scooter and E-bike Trial (Department for Transport initiative), in the Context of the COVID-19 Economic Recovery and Transport Recovery Plans

Resolved: (i) That approval be given to participate in the trial as outlined in the report, with the implementation of e-scooters and e-bikes across the city in a number of small-scale parking bays, from September 2020 to September 2021, with a review taking place throughout.

Reason: To take advantage of an opportunity to explore how e-scooters might add to the mix of sustainable transport options available to residents, with a supplier selected to meet the needs of York.

(ii) That the progress of the trial be reported to the Economy & Place Scrutiny Committee on a regular basis.

Reason: To ensure that the trial is properly monitored.